Carl Manthei
Carl F. Manthei, attorney-at-law, Boulder, Co., died with a smile on his face and surrounded by love on July 26, his 68th birthday. Born in Chicago, he was adopted at the age of two weeks by his loving parents, the distinguished theologian, Edward Manthei, and his wife Florence. They schooled him in the values of their faith as well as in music and literature. A man of astounding intelligence, Carl was a voracious reader of great books and history. He graduated from Williams College (BA) at the top of his class, and from D.U. (JD) which in turn led to a position of Assistant Deputy District Attorney for Boulder, and then to a wide-ranging private practice that included intellectual property, criminal law, appeals, contracts and torts, and then to the Oillia law group. Carl was a fighter for civil rights, voting rights and human rights. He was a frequent presence at meetings of the Boulder City Council, arguing in service of architectural and historical preservation, as well as serving for years on the boards of the Boulder Public Library and the Boulder Homeless Shelter. He won a landmark patent case decision before the United States Supreme Court, but quipped that his most memorable legal case saw him winning an acquittal for a man accused of cattle rustling. In the last years of his life, he met and married Lindsey Dearborn, who not only gave him great joy, but unsparingly cared for him during his battle with cancer. He was preceded by his parents, and his brother, Pete Manthei. In addition to his wife, Lindsey, he leaves behind a sister, Jean Manthei, of Colorado Springs, and myriad friends and colleagues who feel bereft at the loss of this gentle and generous man. A memorial party (as Carl requested) will be held Sunday, Sept. 6 at 4pm in the Old Main Chapel on the C.U. Campus in Boulder, where Carl's energetic dog, Nikki, pulled him around on their daily walks. A celebration/reception with stories, food, and libations will follow at The Koenig Alumni Center. Donations in Carl's name can be made to the Boulder Public Library or the Boulder Homeless Shelter. Carl's brilliance and caring heart continue to resonate in the lives of all he touched. A GREAT MAN. GREATLY MISSED... Resquiscat in pace

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