

Denver, Seattle and Honolulu. He retired in 1965 and spent the rest of his life enjoying traveling world-wide. We had a very happy marriage that lasted the last four years of his life.

EVELYN F. BUSWELL

JILL CLAGGETT  
1957-1994

Jill Claggett was fatally injured in a climbing accident in Prescott, Arizona on October 11. She fell a little before noon while leading a climb in the Granite Dells. Only about 20 feet up when she fell, her last piece of protection pulled out, allowing her to hit the ground. She landed on her right shoulder blade and then her head struck the rock ledge behind her right ear. Other climbers and I provided first aid while awaiting the arrival of a litter.

She was then quickly evacuated by fellow climbers in the area, transported by ambulance to the regional medical center in Prescott and then by helicopter to the Intensive Care Unit at Barrows Neurological Institute at Sr. Joseph's Medical Center in Phoenix.

At 11:45 P.M., after consultation with the three neurosurgeons at the hospital and family members, I directed that life support should be withdrawn. She died in my arms a little before midnight. She never regained consciousness after the accident.

Jill was a 37-year-old cancer survivor who loved to climb both rock and ice. She had recently summited Huayna Potosí in Bolivia with me. She is survived by me, her 16-year-old daughter Monique and other family members.

WILLIAM N. CLAGGETT

FRANK G. WELLS  
1932-1994

Frank G. Wells was tragically killed on April 3, 1994 in a helicopter crash in the Ruby Mountains of Nevada. In the same accident, the well known female climber Beverly Johnson, Yosemite climber Paul Scannell and the pilot Dave Walton also lost their lives; climber and mountain film maker Mike Hoover, Johnson's husband, was severely injured. Among other climbs, Beverly Johnson made the first all-female ascent of El Capitan with Sibylle Hechtel in 1973 via the 3-D Route, linking the Salathé and Muir walls and the Nose, and she completed an impressive 10-day solo ascent of El Capitan's Dihedral Wall in 1979.—*Editor*.

When I first met Frank in 1982, he had called me into his office at Warner Brothers to talk over the idea he had of climbing the highest mountain on each of the seven continents. After I was escorted into a posh room where a dozen people were huddled about a table discussing plans for a block-buster film,