



Edwin Terrell Memorial Scholarship Fund

The Edwin Terrell Memorial Clinic is a very special clinic to many people in the Southern District. It is an event that brings back happy memories of a person who inspired many ski instructors. As the years pass, we realize that many new and shining star instructors join the ranks of the Southern District Ski Schools. Some may have had the privilege of meeting Edwin but many have not been so lucky.

A LITTLE HISTORY

Edwin Terrell died while on a mountain - climbing expedition in Nepal in 1986. He was 31 years old at the time of his death. For many years, Edwin had spent his winters skiing and his summers climbing.

Edwin lived in Santa Fe all of his life, except for the six years that he was a ski instructor at Purgatory Ski School. Edwin graduated from Santa Fe High School in 1973 and attended the University of New Mexico.

He worked as a racing coach and trainer on the Santa Fe Ski School staff until his death. As a matter of fact, Edwin learned to ski in one of Santa Fe Ski Area's "School Programs," a program designed for public school kids to get a taste of what skiing was all about.

In December, 1985, Edwin achieved a very important accomplishment in his skiing career when he was chosen as a division clinic leader for PSIA Rocky Mountain.

His friends say that he died where he wanted to be. Those who do not climb mountains might wonder why men risk their lives to endure the hardship and discomfort of high places. Certainly, some men go for the exhilarating beauty and solitude. Others go to satisfy their egos or to feed an obsession. Not Terrell, Edwin climbed because he loved to. He climbed for the joy and exuberance of it. He skied those for very same reason. But he also skied to experiment, discover and improve. He also lived to share with others why he loved to ski.