Cornerstone Tribute will be recognized with a formal Proclamation presented during a Castle Rock Town Council meeting. There will then be a permanent Cornerstone Tribute sign that will be placed along the walking trail through Festival Park located near the intersection of Wilcox/Perry and Second Street, or at an alternate location approved by the Parks and Recreation department.

## The Cornerstone Tribute Nomination Form

## Name of Individual or Organization Nominated:

Gerald "Jerry" F. Potter

Address: 521 3rd St

Castle Roock, Co. 80104

Contact No. 303-688-3732

## Individual or Organization Making the Nomination:

Charles F. Potter

Address: 8184 E Mineral Dr

Centennial, Co 80112

Contact No. day PH 720-215-7166 evening 303-771-6377

## Check the Appropriate Cornerstone(s) the Nominee Has Supported:

Town Identity \_X\_\_ Community Planning \_X\_\_ Community Services \_X\_\_ Local Economy \_X\_\_

Explain, in detail, how the Nominee has supported the above-named Cornerstone. Attach separate sheet if necessary.

My father moved his young family to Castle Rock in April 1963. He then started his business "Jerry's Sheet Metal" at 310 4th st. In March of 1964 he purchased the home at 521 3rd St. (known today as "The Doctors House) where he and his wife Arlette continue to enjoy the ever changing community.

Dad quickly became involved with needs of his new home town. In 1964 he was

elected secretary of the Chamber of Commerce. Then in 1968 he was elected President. Along with trying to establish a new business, support a family and attend Chamber meetings he also belonged to the Volunteer Fire Dept. In 1969 he was elected 2nd assistant fire chief. In 1971 and again in 1978 he was elected Fire Chief. I feel it is important to recognize the fact that Jerry's Sheet Metal, being a one man shop, accepted the result of closing his business each time a call in the community rang out. The summers of the late 60's and 70's were natorious for daily grass fires. The coal trains of those days left a trail of fires as they tried to get themselves up and over Monument Hill. Forest fires in Douglas county would require days of a volunteers life. Countless hours were spent protecting the life and propery of others.

Mom and Dad became foster parents in 1975 so that they could offer a home to those in need of a caring family. Frontier Boys Village in Larkspur housed many lost, troubled or otherwise homeless young men. Mom and dad offered a safe and loving environment. Several teens in need spent time in our home while shaping their future. Whether for a few days, several months or even several

years everyone was welcome in the Potter home.

In 1970 dad was the recipient of the Chamber of Commerce 1st annual Outstanding Community Achievement award. That same year he was elected to serve on the Chambers Board of Directors for a two year term. In February of 1975 he became chairman of the Improvement & Recreation development committees. Years later he volunteered to assist the now Fire Marshal to help educate the children from C.R. Elementary and preschoolers throughout the area on fire prevention.

Dad has played a part in the Lighting of the Star ceremonies since 1963. Many times replaceing bulbs (burned out or shot out by kids with BB guns. Yes I had a BB gun), serving refreshments, setting up and taking down for the evenings entertianment and much more. He has donated his time to ensure the success of Castle Rock fairs and parades. He gave time to the many auctions put on by the Chamber the Fire Dept or the parks dept. Numerous committees, fundraiser, benefits, fireman trainings, parks and rec development; all of these organizations and activities were given time and energy by my father. It is our hope that he will be recognized for his involvement in the development and growth of the wonderful town of Castle Rock.

Please take a few moments to read through the news paper snips I have sent along.

To have his name along the side of the freinds he spent all those countless hours with would mean the world.

Thank you, The Potter family

Submit Nominations to:

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