

## **Thomas Fogarty, 83**

**Jan. 31, 1927 – Feb. 11, 2010**

**TUCSON, AZ** – Thomas James Fogarty of Tucson, AZ passed away at St. Joseph's Hospital in Tucson, February 11, 2010. Tom was born January 31, 1927, at Irwin to Frank and Lydia Fogarty. He graduated from Irwin High School at age 17 and enlisted in the Army Air Corps. He was sent to Coe College for a year of ASTRP pre flight instruction. He was stationed in Japan before discharge. He graduated from Grinnell College in 1949 with a BA degree; later obtained a MST degree from the University of North Dakota and did additional studies at the University of Idaho. He taught school in Kirkman, Irwin and Manning before moving to Tucson in 1963, teaching there. He taught high school science for 36 years before retirement. In 1969 Tom and Sandra took a trip to Alaska and fell in love with the Yukon Territory, so bought some land there. They spent their summers building a cabin near the Teslin River and continued spending every summer there until 2007 when health problems took over. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in July 2009.

Tom was preceded in death by his parents. Survivors are his wife Sandra of Tucson, AZ, his sister Mary K. Chapman and husband Charles of Grand Island, NE, nieces and nephews, and many friends.