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I did not know Frank Cutsforth long -- only three or four years. I'm not sure how we met. It was probably while I was shopping at Cutsforth's. He was familiar with my name as a longtime sportswriter in the area, and we shared a love of sports. Soon he was a sponsor of my website. In turn, I wrote a piece on the long history of Cutsforth's Market in Canby dating to 1928, initially run by Frank's grandfather, Frank T. Cutsforth. Through it all I became familiar with the Cutsforth legend as a family of great community members and humanitarians. Frank and wife Kathe carried that on with style, and so have his offspring through the years.

Frank and I became fast friends; I'm sure he had many of them, but when we were together, it was just the two of us. I've not met many people who were more giving to their community. They ran Cutsforth Market as a business but also like a community center. Frank was a role model for many, including his kids. "Everyone loves him," son Tanner told me. "He is Mr. Canby. He is always there for the community, willing to do anything."

When we lost Frank, I was crestfallen. For me, it was a personal loss of a great friend. For the Canby community, it was a tremendous blow to everyone. You don't get over the loss of a person the quality of Frank Cutsforth easily.

I am pleased to support this resolution honoring Frank's memory.