



Malott & Peterson-Grundy PRESENTS a remembrance:

Tom Stow 1905-1984

In 1984, Northern California lost one of its foremost masters of tennis with the passing of Tom Stow. In a legacy that spanned over 50 years, Stow was responsible for producing some of the greatest champions and instructors ever to come from Northern California. His manner was gruff and forthright, which instilled fear into some. But most of his pupils were fiercely loyal to the instructor they revered.

"He taught a philosophy of life through discipline," says protege Steve Stefanki. "He taught you how to know yourself, to dig down deep. You came away with an inner strength."

Tom Stow was a master of art forms—he could have chosen any sport to teach. Tennis is fortunate to be the one that Stow chose. He is survived by his wife Leona, by the many who were touched by his wisdom and by the profound body of knowledge that he has imparted on all who knew him.