

Ely Callaway Succumbs To Cancer At Age 82

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CARLSBAD, Calif./July 5, 2001/Ely Callaway, the Founder and Chairman of the Board of Callaway Golf Company (NYSE:ELY), passed away early in the morning on July 5, 2001, a company spokesman announced. Mr. Callaway was 82, and had been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer in April of this year.

"Ely passed away quietly at his home at about 2:30 A.M. while being attended by family, a few close friends and medical staff," said Larry Dorman, Senior Vice President of Global Press, Public and Media Relations. "We will all miss him very much, and send our deepest sympathies to the family at this time of great loss for us all."

Mr. Callaway founded Callaway Golf in 1982. He had retired as President and CEO in May, implementing a management succession plan that elected Ron Drapeau to those positions. "The 2,500 employees of Callaway Golf, and their families, all thank Ely for what he has done for them," said Mr. Drapeau. "We will all continue to honor his memory by doing our very best on behalf of the company that he created."

Mr. Callaway is survived by his three children: Reeves Callaway, Lisa Callaway and Nicholas Callaway. Memorial services are being planned. Mr. Callaway requested prior to his death that donations be made to either the <u>Callaway Golf Company Foundation</u> or the <u>San Diego Hospice</u> in lieu of flowers.

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