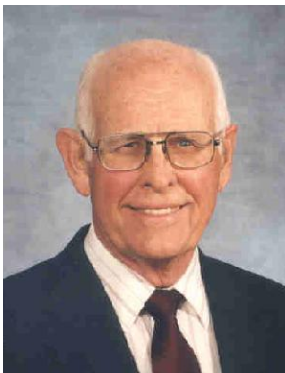


## **Society for PSI Research and Education (SPRE)**

SPRE is a non-profit volunteer organization interested in expanding consciousness outside of our current paradigms through information founded in truth. The organization was founded in 1986 by Maury Albertson and Bob Sibley. For twenty-three years, SPRE has engaged well known speakers to inform the public about paranormal science and research as well as new paradigms in spiritual concepts.

Psi is a Greek letter meaning paranormal. The letter psi is also the root meaning to psychic and psychology, both of which are expressions of the paranormal. The name SPRE reflects its purpose in exploring the science underlying the paranormal and bringing credibility to the study of such events as well as doing the same for natural or holistic healing. Over the years, topics covered range from alternative healing, spirituality, reincarnation, UFOs, crop circles, quantum physics, ancient civilizations and more.

### **Tribute to Maury Albertson, 1918-2009**



Maurice L. Albertson  
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Maury Albertson was truly a Citizen of the World and those of us who were fortunate enough to know him can be grateful that he settled in Fort Collins. With a PH. D. in Engineering from the University of Iowa, he came to CSU and developed a water resources program that became known worldwide. He was the first Director of the CSU Research Foundation and Founder and Director of the Office of International Programs. He developed other water programs which lead to international development, such as the SEATO graduate school of engineering in Bangkok.

Along with his academic efforts, he was instrumental in the establishment of the Peace Corp. It is still going strong in many areas of the world, especially where people are in need of food, a source of livelihood, and schools.

What most people don't know is that Maury was also a co-founder of SPRE, along with Bob Sibley, long-time SPRE member and Board member. In fact, SPRE and New Thought Forum were established as the offshoots of The International Association of New Science (IANS) which was organized earlier. In December, 1985, Maury and Bob founded the SPRE organization after Maury taught a CSU course in reincarnation, which evolved into a study group. The interest level escalated, as the meetings covered the underlying science of the paranormal, metaphysics, holistic health care, UFOs, and many other topics. Maury was the first president of SPRE and Bob Sibley was the second.

Maury's legacy is astounding from the standpoint of his level of activity, the wide array of worldwide organizations he established and the numbers of peoples he influenced. He was "one in a million" as they used to say in Hays, Kansas, where he was born.