



## Ransom "Randy" Whittle

March 4, 1930 - August 10, 2014

Ransom A. "Randy" Whittle, 84 of Fort Collins, CO, died August 10, 2014 at his home.

Born March 4, 1930, in St. Johnsbury, Vermont to Harold and Doris Whittle, he grew up in Virginia (Washington, D.C area) and later honorably served as Master Sergeant Air Force Policeman in 1951 and 1952. Afterwards, he received his Foreign Affairs BA from George Washington University in 1956. He received his Public Administration

MA from the University of Colorado in 1975. He had become an FBI clerical employee while in college, then as an FBI Special Agent he served in Newark, N.J. (2 yrs.), Colorado Springs (12 yrs.), and retired from Pueblo, CO (10 years) as Special Agent

in Charge of the resident agency. In 1980, he retired after a long and successful 24 year career. During the last 10 years of his FBI career, Ransom taught law enforcement officers re-training sessions in Hostage Negotiations and Sex Crimes Investigation in CO & WY. It was because of his passion and dedication to his training sessions that he decided to move to Fort Collins and pursue his graduate degree. In 1991 he earned his PhD in Sociology from Colorado State University.

Randy married Holly L. Spoor in Fort Collins in 1980, and over the years they enjoyed annual travel to Mazatlan, Mexico, and also riverboat trips.

Randy taught criminology courses and Introduction to Sociology at the University of Northern Colorado 1992 - 1993 and Front Range Community College 1993 - 2000.

He kept up professional connections with Retired Peace Officers of Colorado; Society of Former Special Agents of the FBI; and FBI National Academy Associates (after having been a counselor at the Academy 100th Session in 1975).

Randy is survived by his wife Holly; his daughter Dionne Haase of Lakewood, CO;

his son Drew; and his two grandchildren: Neal Titus and Gwendolyn Titus.

Randy sang in his church choir wherever he was living and served several years as a Stephen Minister at First Presbyterian Church, Fort Collins. In the 1990's he played drums in the Fort Collins Pipe Band and sang barbershop with the Valentine City Chorus, Loveland, CO.

Memorial Service on Saturday, August 23, 2:00 pm. at First Presbyterian Church, 351 S. College Ave., Fort Collins.

Please make any memorial donations to Sociology Alumni Scholarship Endowment, CSU Foundation, P.O. Box 1870, Fort Collins, CO 80522.

# Events

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<b>AUG</b>	<b>Memorial Service</b>	02:00PM - 04:00PM
<b>23</b>	<hr/>	
	First Presbyterian Church	
	531 South College Avenue, Fort Collins, CO, US, 80524	

# Comments

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“ Holly:

I only knew Ransom for the three weeks we were in China. He and I were the only law enforcement oriented members of the expedition. He had a wonderful sense of humor which was needed!

Vance McLaughlin

**Vance McLaughlin** - March 19, 2015 at 06:37 PM

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“ Holly, I'm so sorry for your loss. Even though I didn't know Randy well, I found him to be a charming man and it was clear to anyone who knew the two of you that you meant the world to each other. Even though Drew doesn't have a recollection of Randy, he offers his condolences to you, as well.

Dee

**Dee** - September 11, 2014 at 08:30 PM

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“ Holly.....am so sorry to read you lost your beloved Randy...am sure it will be a sadness for you. He fought for his life long and hard, didn't he? I always admired that in him, and appreciated the opportunity to get to know him a "wee" bit during the rides to the hospital appts. He was a tough but gentle and gracious man and will be missed by many! May our Lord be at your side with His Staff of comfort and love while you walk through this time of grieving his loss. In Him, Carol Dyer

**Carol Dyer** - August 20, 2014 at 03:28 PM

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“ We wish to say Thank You to your loved one for his service to our great country. Our sympathies are with your family.

Marine Corps League Auxiliary #785  
Fort Collins, CO

**Marine Corps League Auxiliary** - August 20, 2014 at 11:44 AM

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“ Mrs. Whittle: I was so sorry to hear of Mr. Whittle's passing. My father was an employee in the bank in Kit Carson, CO and was a great fan of Randy, having met him while Randy investigated a pair of bank robberies in Kit Carson. I was a clerical employee in the Denver FBI office in the late 60's and had the wonderful opportunity to meet Agent Whittle during that time period. I will remember Mr. Whittle and his wonderful voice so vividly. May he rest in peace. Our thoughts are with you.

Mel & Judy Holthus

**Mel Holthus** - August 19, 2014 at 10:34 PM

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“ Chrissy lit a candle in memory of Ransom "Randy" Whittle



**Chrissy** - August 19, 2014 at 01:53 PM

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“ Dear Holly,

We were saddened by the news of Randy's death, sending thoughts and prayers to you. Randy was an amazing man. I met him over 3 decades ago when he taught courses for the FBI. We were glad you 2 enjoyed the cabin in the Poudre Canyon. Many CSU students benefited from his professional career and his academic pursuits in the Sociology Department. He will be missed.

Sincerely,

Donn and Linda Hopkins

**Donn Hopkins** - August 19, 2014 at 09:37 AM

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“ Holly - on behalf of all of us at Heatheridge, I want to express how very sorry we are about the passing of Randy. You have been a valuable part of Heatheridge for years and I just want to let you know we are keeping you in our thoughts and prayers.  
Trisha Milton

**Trisha Milton** - August 17, 2014 at 09:18 AM