



Harry Cassels Whitehead Sr.

December 4, 1941 - August 19, 2024

Harry Cassels Whitehead, Sr., passed away on August 19, 2024 in Gainesville, GA. Harry was born to the late Richard Kramer Whitehead, Sr. and Sara Nisbet (Cassels) Whitehead in Atlanta, GA, on December 4, 1941. He graduated from Druid Hills High School in three years, and was state champion in the half-mile run in 1958 with a time of 2:04.1.

Always a man of logic and numbers, he graduated from Georgia Tech in 1962 with a degree in mechanical engineering. He was a member of Phi Kappa Phi honor society and Sigma Chi fraternity. As an ROTC cadet, he served as Cadet Colonel Regimental Commander. He received the Superior Cadet Ribbon Award in 1961 and the Legion of Valor Bronze Cross for Achievement for the most outstanding of the 22,000 cadets in the XII U.S. Army Corps. Harry completed airborne training at Fort Benning then served in Korea at Camp Kaiser in the Seventh Infantry Division from 1963-1964. Upon his return, Harry worked in the family business before establishing his own boat sales company. In the 1980s, he established Mariah Construction and began developing real estate in Lumpkin County. He served as President of the Dahlonega-Lumpkin County Chamber of Commerce in 1987 and was an active member of the Rotary club for many years. An avid reader and history buff, he also loved sailing (including racing), boating, and Georgia Tech football.

Harry is survived by his wife Janice Lee Wood Whitehead, sister Lynda Kincaid (Ron), and three children: Harry Cassels (Cass) Whitehead, Jr.

(Susan), Dr. Jessica Beier (Doug), and Dr. Jax Lee Wood Whitehead.

A celebration of life will be held at Lanier Village Estates in Gainesville, GA, on September 21, 2024 at 2pm. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Lewy Body Dementia Association at: LBDA.org.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

SEP **21**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Lanier Village Estates
4000 Village View Dr
Gainesville, GA 30506

Tribute Wall

DP

“ Dear Mrs. Janet I so sorry to hear of the passing of Mr. Harry. I have fond memories of working for your family when y'all lived in Cherokee Forrest. Mr Harry was always so kind to me and trusted my judgment on all your electrical needs. My he rest in piece. You family will be in my prayers. Sincerely Donald Palmour Electrication.

Donald Palmour - August 22, 2024 at 07:43 PM

MB

“ My condolences to you, Dr. Whitehead, and your entire family.

Maria De Barras - August 22, 2024 at 03:35 PM

DH

“ Sending condolences and love to the entire family. So sorry for your loss.

Daniel Hora - August 22, 2024 at 02:05 PM