



Mr. Jack Whitener

September 26, 1922 - July 31, 2013

Jack Willard Whitener, 90, of Asheville died peacefully on Wednesday, July 31, 2013 at the John F. Keever, Jr. Solace Center.

A longtime resident of Asheville, he was self-employed representing several companies in the Pulp and Paper industry throughout the southeastern United States.

Jack was educated at Badin High School, Fishburne Military School and North Carolina State University. He served as Second Lieutenant in the 75th Infantry Division Company "D" in the United States Army. He received the Purple Heart for wounds he received as a result of enemy action in March, 1945 and was also awarded the Bronze Star Medal with Company "D" for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in January, 1945 in Belgium. He was granted an Honorable Discharge from the US Army in July, 1946.

He was a member of Central United Methodist Church and Asheville Country Club where he was an avid golfer.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his son, Jack Willard Whitener, Jr. Jack is survived by his wife, Sheila "Shelly" Church Whitener and his children, Susan Parker, Pat Whitener, Mike Whitener and Janie Whitener. He

is also survived by Shelly's children, Mike Rigsbee and Kim Rigsbee; ten grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

A funeral service will be held 3:00 PM, Monday, August 5, 2013 at Central United Methodist Church with Rev. Dr. Robert Blackburn, Jr. and Rev. Julie Wilburn-Peeler officiating. Entombment will follow in the mausoleum at Lewis Memorial Park. The family will receive friends at the church from 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm.

Memorial contributions may be made to Care Partners Hospice Foundation, PO Box 25338, Asheville, NC 28813.

Cemetery Details

Lewis Memorial Park

415 Beaverdam Road
Asheville, NC 28804

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 5. 1:30 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Central United Methodist Church
27 Church Street
Asheville, NC 28801

Service

AUG 5. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Jack Whitener*

October 07, 2023 at 11:15 AM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss. The Bible provides comfort during these difficult times. Revelation 21:3,4 states "And he will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore. The former things have passed away". Very soon now, we will never experience losing our loved ones in death. Hope these words give you a new hope.*

Ana - August 18, 2013 at 03:37 PM



“ *Our warmest condolences on the passing of a very special man. We have known Jack for as long as I can remember by growing up with the family in the same neighborhood. Wishing you peace to bring comfort, courage to face the days ahead and loving memories to forever hold in your hearts. We love you.*

Kay Blanton Davis & Edna Blanton

Kay Blanton Davis - August 06, 2013 at 01:42 PM



“ *With deepest sympathy & love from Nancy & Willie Greene*

Wm Greene - August 05, 2013 at 11:26 AM

Anna
Whitener

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Anna Whitener - August 04, 2013 at 09:07 PM

KI

“ 1 file added to the album New Album Name



Kim - August 04, 2013 at 08:40 PM

BW

“ *Condolences to all the family and Jack's loved ones from Billy Warlick and my mother Laretta. My Dad was a good friend and I knew him and his children well as we had the great good fortune to grow up at the CCA at the Grove Park course. God Bless his soul and new life.*

billy warlick - August 04, 2013 at 07:47 PM

TS

“ Jack was a great guy and will be missed by all who knew him! I loved to play golf with him and the unique habit of putting his glasses on the ground about 1 foot from his ball...was something we all got a kick out of! We told stories and laughed every time we ever played together, just having fun! Our thoughts and prayers are with the family and especially Shelly... during your loss...thank God for wonderful people and memories like Jack bring to mind every time I think of him! Tedd Smith

Tedd Smith - August 04, 2013 at 12:36 PM

RL

“ Jack was first rate in golf and everything else. I will always cherish the days I enjoyed with him. I will really miss him.

Robert D. Lewis, Former Judicial Person and partner/competitor on and off the course.



Robert D. Lewis - August 04, 2013 at 12:08 PM

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Stacey Parker - August 04, 2013 at 10:29 AM

BB

“ I was SO sorry to hear about the passing of Mr. Whitener. I wasn't fortunate enough to get to know him, and you, but he was such an important person to Mr. Dyson. Mr. Dyson was always so happy to see him when he came by the Janirve office. Mr. Whitener was always so nice and friendly to me. He will be missed. I will be thinking and praying for you.

Brenda Baldwin

Brenda Baldwin - August 04, 2013 at 09:13 AM

JA

“ 1 file added to the album *Daddy*



Janie - August 03, 2013 at 12:35 PM

SP

“ 6 files added to the tribute wall



Stacey Parker - August 03, 2013 at 11:33 AM



Anna Whitener

Thank you for sharing these Stacey. Wonderful memories.

Anna Whitener - August 04, 2013 at 08:54 PM

JA

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Janie - August 03, 2013 at 10:52 AM

BW

“ *Jack and his sons doing what they liked best. From Bobbie.*



Bobbie Whitener - August 03, 2013 at 09:46 AM

PS

Jack, jr is in the pink shirt with his dad and I assume his brothers. Jack, Sr. and Jack, Jr. were very good golfers. My dad (Sid Smith) played golf with Mr. Whitener and I played with Jack, Jr.. Mr. Whitener as you can see was a big man and he could hit the ball a mile. Before he would hit the ball he would take off his glasses and lay them down right next to the ball. My condolences to your family for your loss. I was not aware of juniors passing so I'm sorry for his loss also. I hope they are all in heaven playing golf.

Sincerely, Paul Smith

Paul Smith - August 05, 2013 at 01:51 PM

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Kim - August 02, 2013 at 02:53 PM

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Kim - August 02, 2013 at 02:51 PM

JT

“ *Jack Whitener was one wonderful person to know. I was always glad to see him coming as I knew he was going to brighten my day. His jokes and story telling were surpassed by no one I ever knew. I could listen to him for hours He was the star in the room. To play golf with him was the ultimate experience as he was so fun and always down the middle. I will be forever grateful to Jack for the fun times he gave us all as well as the help he gave me in my career. His help, advice and guidance were most valuable to me. He will truly be missed but forever remembered in my heart. Shelly, Pat and the rest of the family please accept my condolences. Love, Jim*

Jim Teuscher - August 02, 2013 at 01:13 PM

WC

“ *A true gentleman of the old school. I am saddened to hear of Jack's passing. Jack and I would cross paths during our mill visits in the 70's and 80's. He always had a big grin ready for his friends and a funny story to go with it. For many years our companies jointly sponsored a golf outing in Southern Pines for our customers. We had so many terrific times but what I remember most was the laughing and humor Jack always shared. My condolences to Shelly, Pat and the rest of the family*

Webster Collett - August 02, 2013 at 04:55 AM