



David Whitman

June 13, 2015 - July 28, 2015

David L. Whitman, 72, passed away unexpectedly on July 27, 2015. He was born in Albany, New York and grew up in Sarasota. Dave was a pilot with Eastern Airlines from 1966-1991; a local designated Pilot Examiner from 1985-2014; recently he was a Flight Instructor for Cirrus Aviation and Universal Flight Training Center, Sarasota. He received the Wright Brothers Master Pilot Award in April 2014. Dave was survived by his devoted family; wife of nearly 50 years, Cherry Whitman, son David Whitman Jr, daughter-in-law Tiziana Ventimiglia, daughter Wendy Martucci and three grandchildren: Giulietta "Piano" Whitman, Daniel Martucci, and Veronica Martucci. Funeral Services will be held at St. Margaret of Scotland Episcopal Church, 8700 State Road 72, Sarasota, FL, 34241, on July 31st at 6:30 pm.

Tribute Wall



“ *David Whitman*

October 09, 2023 at 02:01 AM



“ *David Whitman*

January 28, 2023 at 12:09 PM



“ *I knew David Whitman, he checked me out for my PPL, I/R and CPL pilot license. He was very fair in his job and I remember him saying to me "you passed with flying colors" I also remember a time at Huffman aviation in about 2001 when we were all outside one stormy afternoon, he was talking to a few students outside giving them tips about flying, the do's and donts and so forth. All of a sudden a lightning bolt struck about 100 yards away, we bolted inside within a sec, Dave hair was standing up, lol. Those were the days. R.I.P. Dave, your spirit is still alive*

Max Sugar - January 02, 2017 at 06:55 AM



“ *Rick Benninghove purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of David Whitman.*



Rick Benninghove - July 30, 2015 at 05:25 PM

MC

“ I, like so many others are blessed to have had Dave be a part of my life. Dave was truly one of the most generous men I've every had the privilege to call my friend. I have so many wonderful memories that his spirit will live on in my life forever. He will be missed by everyone who's life he touched.

Mike Cairo - July 30, 2015 at 05:20 PM

DJ

“ Dear Whitman Family: Please accept my heartfelt sympathy for your loss. May you find comfort in the words found at John 6:40, where God promises to bring back to life those we have lost in death by means of a resurrection. In the future He will also do away with death forever.(Isaiah 25:8) This gives us the hope of being reunited with our loved ones eternally. Until then I hope the memories of David and these promises from God comfort you in the days to come.

DJ - July 30, 2015 at 01:46 PM



“ Purple Rose with Carnations and Lilies (Silk Cemetery Flowers) was purchased for the family of David Whitman.



July 30, 2015 at 08:44 AM



“ I am so fortunate to have known Mr. Whitman for the past three years. Having done both my Private Pilot, and Instrument with Dave I can say he is the best pilot I have ever flown with. I got a chance to get to know him even better as he was apart of the family at Universal Flight Training. I will miss Mr. Whitman, but his legacy will go on for many years at SRQ.

Jacob Kyser

Jacob Kyser - July 29, 2015 at 08:26 PM

BJ

“ Dave Whitman was truly a great man he gave me every FAA ck ride from private pilot to commercial and tough me a great deal about aviation you can't learn from books. Bob Jones

Bob Jones - July 29, 2015 at 05:58 PM

RB

“ Dave was a treasure to have in our Adventure Guide Camping family. He would bring Danny and Veronica camping with us each month and he loved being able to do this for them. He enjoyed sitting around the campfire and telling us wonderful stories about his life in aviation and his family. He would also make ribs each year for our group and everyone would look forward to his contribution.

I will miss him and think of him each time I sit around a great campfire.

Rick Benninghove

Rick Benninghove - July 29, 2015 at 01:47 PM