



## Ernest Randall Bean

August 1, 1944 - September 18, 2025

Ernest Randall Bean, 81, of Fort Collins, Colorado, entered into eternal life on Thursday, September 18, 2025.

Randall was born August 1, 1944 in Akron, Ohio, to Ernest Keller Bean and Lucille Carolyn (Weber) Bean. He was the oldest of four children. He graduated from Buchtel High School in Akron, earned his BA from Baldwin Wallace College in Berea, and his Masters of Divinity from Drew University in Madison, NJ.

Randall was ordained in the United Methodist Church and served many congregations in the Northern New Jersey conference. During a break from the ministry he worked for Prudential, remaining involved in the church as an organist. His own Walk to Emmaus participation and subsequent involvement with that program inspired his return to full-time ministry in New Jersey. After retiring, Randall moved to South Carolina, where he is fondly remembered, and then to Colorado to be near family.

Randall had many musical talents. He learned to play the organ and piano at a young age and was involved in musical theater in high school. In college, he spent two summers in Hawaii and brought home a ukulele, "Betsy", which he played for the rest of his life. His hobbies included woodworking, golf, sudoku, and making the perfect grilled cheese sandwich. He was an enthusiastic

bridge player and particularly loved the challenge of bidding and making three no trump. He loved clocks and had at least one in every room. He was involved with Toastmasters and was an accomplished extemporaneous speaker. He remained an optimist and a Cleveland Browns fan his entire life and enjoyed watching the games with the local Browns Backers club wherever he lived.

Randall is survived by two children, three grandchildren, and one brother.

A visitation will be held 4-6 pm on Thursday, September 25, 2025 at Bohlander Funeral Chapel. A memorial service will be held on Friday, October 10 at 11:00 am at Heart of the Rockies Christian Church. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Heart of the Rockies Capital Campaign.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **25**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (MT)

Bohlender Funeral Chapel  
121 W. Olive Street  
Fort Collins, CO 80524

## Memorial Service

OCT **10**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (MT)

Heart of the Rockies  
6501 Brittany Street  
Fort Collins, CO 80525

# Tribute Wall

VM

“ I did not know Mr. Bean, but he was my first cousin once removed.  
<ay he rest in peace.

Valerie Meyer - December 23, 2025 at 08:04 PM

RJ

“ On behalf of friends and colleagues in ARMS (Association of Retired Ministers and Spouses), we extend our heartfelt sympathy to all who mourn Randall's passing. There is comfort in friendship, hope in prayer, and peace in love. May loving memories of yesterday bring you strength today and each day.  
Rev. Robert and Linda Scott (Greater New Jersey Conference)

Robert Scott Jr. - November 26, 2025 at 05:10 PM

KS

“ Have only known Randall a short time, but so enjoyed his warm smile and being an Elder with him. Loved reading some of the memories of how he touched lives throughout his ministry. Heather, sorry we won't be there in person but know that our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. What s legacy he left behind.

Kathy Spare - October 09, 2025 at 09:32 AM

LC

“ Randall was so supportive of Heather and never missed a performance at CUMC. I am holding his family in my prayers. Pastor Leah, CUMC

Leah Coleman - October 07, 2025 at 09:17 PM

JC

“ *Randall was a very kind, caring gentleman. He lifted me with his words of encouragement when I suddenly became ill following my husband's death. This was during his assignment at Union United Church in Irmo, SC a growing community outside Columbia, SC. It was hard to lose Randall when he made the decision to move to Colorado to be near his children, but certainly understood. We have missed Randall at Union. His is now with our heavenly Father. God Bless his family for all the love they have shared together..*



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**Judy Mann Cook** - October 07, 2025 at 11:31 AM

BL

“ *Barry Lide lit a candle in memory of Ernest Randall Bean*



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**Barry Lide** - September 28, 2025 at 08:58 AM

RK

“ *Rebecca Krell lit a candle in memory of Ernest Randall Bean*



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**Rebecca Krell** - September 26, 2025 at 01:55 PM

EK

“ *Randall, my emmaus friend and pastoral colleague... May you see the colors in your heavenly home! ~ Eusun Kim*



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**Eusun Kim** - September 25, 2025 at 01:13 PM



“ *Randy was a great man and witness to Jesus Christ. He was the pastor of Grace United Methodist Church in Dover in 2004, the church my mom grew up in, when I decided to visit with her. I had not been to church in years and, at the time, did not consider myself Christian. His message: "Coming Home" on The Prodigal Son. It was the moment I knew I needed to answer the call to ministry that was put on my when I was a child. Randy was very much a part of God's plan in my being an ordained United Methodist pastor today. I praise God for his faithfulness and I praise God for him and the legacy he built in his own family, let alone the church. My deepest condolences to all who knew and loved him.*

*With Love in Christ,*

*Todd Lattig and family*

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**Todd Lattig** - September 25, 2025 at 07:04 AM

RN

“ *Randy was a good friend of mine and my husband Bill. We spent time at camp Aldersgate together. We also were in The Emmaus community with him. Your Dad was a fun loving spirit filled soul.*



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**Revs. Bill and Fran Noll** - September 24, 2025 at 07:35 PM

GG

“ *Galen & Judy Goodwin lit a candle in memory of Ernest Randall Bean*



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**Galen & Judy Goodwin** - September 24, 2025 at 06:11 PM

JS

“ *Your father and I were very close friends and served on many Walk to Emmaus teams together. He was a joy and filled with the Spirit. So sorry for your loss. Jack Scharf*

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**Jack Scharf** - September 24, 2025 at 05:53 PM



“ *Dana Cardullo lit a candle in memory of Ernest Randall Bean*



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**Dana Cardullo** - September 24, 2025 at 04:53 PM



*I remember Randy still from his days as assistant pastor at Westwood UMC in New Jersey. I still have a newspaper clipping my Mom kept from around 1968!*

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**Dana Cardullo** - September 24, 2025 at 04:56 PM

DR

“ *David Roberts lit a candle in memory of Ernest Randall Bean*



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**David Roberts** - September 24, 2025 at 04:17 PM

LG

“ *Dear Heather, It was such a joy watching your dad watch you when you played the bells at Christ United Methodist Church! He was so very proud of you and know you two had a special bond. Larry and I send prayers and our thoughts of sympathy to you and your family! -Linda Glover*

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**Linda Glover** - September 24, 2025 at 11:51 AM

FM

“ *Frank and Jr*



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**Frank Marino** - September 23, 2025 at 04:12 PM

SL

“ *Sheila And Lourie lit a candle in memory of Ernest Randall Bean*



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**Sheila and Lourie** - September 23, 2025 at 03:26 PM