



## Jane Holmes Willhour

November 8, 1935 - August 14, 2024

Jane Holmes Willhour passed away on August 14, 2024 surrounded by her family. Despite having Alzheimer's for many years, Jane lived a joyful and fulfilling 88 years until an unexpected fall broke her hip. Jane was born November 8, 1935 to Fred T. Holmes and Amy Hale Holmes and grew up playing with her four cousins at Red Hills Farm near Charlottesville, Virginia. She attended South High School in Denver, then graduated from CU Boulder with a BA in Geology where she met the love of her life, Bob Willhour, and married in 1959.

The two built a wonderful life full of travel and deep friendships. Together they raised two kids, making their home wherever Bob's Petroleum Geology career brought them - hiking, camping, skiing, snow shoeing, road trips, international trips... and singing along the way! Later, their lives also centered around their grandkids, moving to Fort Collins in 2001. They made countless friends through Heart of the Rockies Christian Church, volunteering, and traveling with Friendship Force. They were givers, always enriching the lives of others around them.

Jane's smile was infectious, bringing joy to everyone who knew her. After 64 years of marriage, her beloved husband Bob died last November. Jane loved her family!! She is survived by her son Jim Willhour and daughter Alice Austin, both of Fort Collins and her grandchildren: Amy Austin of Fort Collins and

Tyler Austin of Niwot and her cousins: Pryor Hale of Charlottesville, VA, Fred Hale and Jeff Hale, both of Winter Park, FL.

A memorial service, in celebration of her life, will be held at 11:00 on Saturday, September 21, 2024 at Heart of the Rockies Christian Church (6501 Brittany Street, Fort Collins, CO 80525) followed by a light lunch. ALL are welcome. A family burial service will be held at Grandview Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be sent to Heart of the Rockies Christian Church. Visit [Bohlenderfuneralchapel.com](http://Bohlenderfuneralchapel.com) to share memories and for a more complete obituary.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

SEP **21**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (MT)

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

# Tribute Wall

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“ 2 files added to the album Iceland 2011



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**Cinda Clark** - September 21, 2024 at 12:44 PM

LD

“ Sending my deepest sympathies as well as the joy of celebrating such an amazing life. I always admired Jane and Bob!! I am forever grateful for the impact that they had on my life. Along with significant people in my life, Their Love, Kindness, Understanding, generosity, and encouragement, Gave me the greatest gift of my life! Giving My life to our precious Lord and Savior!  
They're beautiful and gentle spirits live on in their family!  
What a privilege it is to have known and loved them and to have Alice and Jim carrying on their wonderful example,

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**Laurie Beemam DeMayo** - September 19, 2024 at 01:56 PM

SR

“ I'm so sorry to hear of Mrs. Willhour's passing. I have sweet memories of her beautiful smile and gentle way from my childhood. I'm blessed to have known her

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**Shelley Rotramel** - September 19, 2024 at 01:05 AM

LD

“ I remember Jane from the women's retreats. I loved her sweet, gentle personality and how she cared for others. I also loved the beautiful relationship she had with Alice. I am so grateful that I got to know her and share her love of nature on walks that we went on around the retreat site. Sending blessings of the love and support that will surround her family and friends in this time of transition.  
*Lynda Drake*

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**Lynda Drake** - September 15, 2024 at 11:59 AM

SK

*Jane was an incredibly compassionate friend. I knew her from Heart of the Rockies Christian Church, the church we both attended. She was a dear friend to many and will be missed by all whose lives she touched.*

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**Sharon Kunze** - September 18, 2024 at 01:09 PM

DT

“ Jane and my mom, Helen Wood, were neighbors who forged a friendship that lasted many years. They played tennis together, went hiking and cross-country skiing and shared innumerable cups of coffee on Mom's patio. It was fun to read Jane's obituary and remember the fun times they shared. My mom passed away just this week at the age of 100. While it is sad to lose a parent, it is wonderful to have so many good memories!

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**Dottie Tarvestad** - September 06, 2024 at 03:10 PM

DJ

“ Jane and Bob were delightful members of FriendShip Force and I always smiled when they came to the meetings and always stopped by the store to look at items  
*Miss them*

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**Debby Jones** - August 27, 2024 at 04:41 PM

CS

*Jane and Bob have always been good friends. Our last travels together, on a European cruise was wonderful. Bob and I had trepetations, but no worry, it worked out for all four of us. I will remember the good times. In a very short time, we have lost three of the four. Thank you Alice for caring for your folks. I know it wasn't always easy.*

**Carol Shropshire** - September 14, 2024 at 02:40 PM

RO

*Jane and Bob were "Nannie and Papa" for our family. I am so thankful to have been their son in law. "Nannie" was my extra mom, always so full of love and kindness. In 2001 they moved to Ft. Collins to be closer to their beloved family. They enriched our lives in countless ways! So many fond memories including attending the kids sporting events, meals shared, sitting together as a family in church, celebrating holidays, and having special family times in their home in Georgetown. We miss them both! So many wonderful memories shared that I will always treasure. They were always there for us. They were wonderful "in-laws" but more so, they were my Nannie and Papa too. I am forever thankful!*

**Robert** - September 17, 2024 at 02:05 PM

SP

*Jane was always full of compassion and care for others. She discovered that we both had cancer at one time and it added yet another layer of connection. She always sought out ways to get to know people on a deeper level. I miss you, Jane, and Bob, too!*

**Stacy Poncelow** - September 18, 2024 at 03:40 PM

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*Bob and Jane were a joy to have in the FF group I led to Iceland in 2011. A couple of photos from that trip have been added to the pictures section. Even then, Bob was very protective of Jane, and it was sweet to see them together. In all the 49 years of FFNC, they counted as two of the nicest & friendliest members. Cinda Clark - PS So sorry illness kept us from coming today.*

**Cinda L Clark** - September 21, 2024 at 02:31 PM