



Rhinnie Whitman

April 20, 1937 - February 26, 2014

Rhinnie Whitman, 76, of Windsor, died February 26, 2014 at his home. Rhinnie was born April 20, 1937 in Windsor, Colorado to George and Katie Whitman. Rhinnie grew up on a farm in Wellington. Farming with his father and brothers. He graduated from Wellington High School in 1955. Rhinnie married his high school sweetheart, Ruth Whitman, the love of his life on November 24, 1956 in Fort Collins. He worked for Markley Motors and owned and operated service stations in Fort Collins. He then went to work for Kodak as an electrical mechanic retiring in 1991. In retirement he started Rhinnie's Small Engine and Golf Cart Sales and Repair with his sons, Riney RJ and Randy. Rhinnie enjoyed dancing and listening to Polka and old country music. He would dance to anything. Rhinnie always loved time spent with friends and family. He always enjoyed car racing and he valued the time spent being involved in his sons racing. Rhinnie always supported his kids, Grandkids and great Grandkids in all their events, and was on the sidelines quietly rooting them on. Rhinnie was a man who valued hard work, persistence and dedication and that was apparent in his everyday life but happiness and contentedness was above all. He always found solace while working on his tractor and will be in peace moving dirt. Survivors include his wife, Ruth; son, Randy Andrea Whitman of Fort Collins; daughter, Robin Russell Carter of Fort Collins, brothers, John Whitman of Wellington; sisters, Margaret Hilgenberg of Loveland; step sister, Delores Yeager of Montana; three grandchildren, Brianne Jason Kraft, Kelsey Jeff Moore and Gunnar Whitman; and five great-

grandchildren. Preceding Rhinnie in death are his son, Riney Whitman and brother, Robert Whitman. A Memorial Service will be held at Bohlender Funeral Chapel on Wednesday, March 5, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. Memorial contributions can be made to Cystic Fibrosis Foundation in care of Bohlender Funeral Chapel, 121 W. Olive St., Ft. Collins, CO 80524.

Tribute Wall

KT

“ Dear Randy: We are so sad to hear about your' dear Father passing away. May the Lord heal your hearts. Warm Regards Mary and Kevin Taylor

Kevin and Mary Taylor - March 11, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PF

“ Ruth& Whitman Family, Sorry to here about the loss of Rhinnie. Pat & Dick Fuqua

Patricia&Richard Fuqua - March 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM

ES

“ Dear Ruth, Randy and Robin, Please accept my condolences. I will never forget how proud Rhinnie was of all of his children and grandchildren. My prayers and thoughts will be with all of you. Eric Sunness

Eric Sunness - March 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LR

“ I am so sorry to hear ,that Rhinnie had passed away. Ruth, Randy, Robin, my prayers will be with you. I worked for Rhinnie, for a short at the station. Spent most of my carrier, at Ghent Motor co. I am still with Ford as a tech. Trainer. Praying for youi. Larry

Larry Roberts - March 04, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Linda and I would like to express our deepest sympathy to the Whitman family. Over the years Rhinnie helped me out fixing our vehicles many times without charging an arm and a leg. Linda and I would often see Rhinnie and Ruthy at the breakfast club and visit for a spell. Rhinnie was always upbeat and had a great sence of humor, and what a great dutch hop dancer the two of you were. I'm sure you all will miss him a bunch, but may God's healing touch comfort you all during this difficult time. God Bless you all Jim and Linda Schwartz

jim schwartz - March 04, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ TO ALL OF THE WHITMANS, I WILL SURE MISS THE TIMES I WOULD WALK OUT BEHIND THE SHOP AND LEAN ON A TRACTOR TIRE AND SETTLE ALL OF THE WORLDS PROBLEMS. RHINNIE WOULD NEVER HESITATE TO STOP TO TALK TO ME. HE WAS VERY EASY TO TALK TO. I WILL MISS THAT ORNARY LITTLE SMERK HE HAD. I DO NOT BELIEVE WE LOST A FRIEND BUT GAINED AN ANGEL WATCHING OVER US. I AM SURE HE WILL SPEND A LOT OF TIME LAUGHING AT OUR GOINGS ONS. LOVE TO ALL THE VOS,S

THE VOS FAMILY - March 04, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LL

“ We have many great memories of the Whitman family. "Favorite Cousins". Our sincere sympathy to you all. Sorry we cannot be there. Larry and Kathy

Larry and Kathy Lebsack - March 04, 2014 at 12:00 AM

GG

“ We are so sorry to hear of Rhinnie's Passing away. I remember him so well as we would visit the Whitman's at their Farm in Wellington. He was always so happy as a young Boy & in the 50's as an older Boy. His smile was contagious, & always he was the Life of the Party. Our Hearts go out to Ruth & all of his Family, Glyda & Tom Gearhart

glyda lebsack gearhart - March 04, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ Ruth, I'm so sorry for your loss of Rhinnie. I always liked and respected him when I worked at for him at T-Bird Sinclair.

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LH

“ Dear Whitman Family, I was saddened to read of the passing of Rhinnie. Even though I have not seen Rhinnie in such a very long time, I have so many wonderful memories of him and your entire family. May the Lord give you peace during this most difficult time.

Linda Hansen - March 03, 2014 at 12:00 AM

EK

“ Eldon & I would like to express our deepest sympathy in your time of loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time.

Eldon & Beverly Ehrlich Keil - March 03, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ Ruth and family: Dawn and I want to sincerely pass on our condolences to all of you in your family in the death of your loving Husband. We have known Rhinnie for many years and always have considered him a good friend and great businessman. May the Lord God bless all of you, keep and hold you in HIS arms as you go thru this awful event! Even tho my dear wife Dawn cannot communicate this I know that she would want me to wish you and your whole family God's blessings. Tom

Tom & Dawn Weimer - March 03, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ To the Whitman Family We are very sorry to hear of Rhinnie's passing it was always a pleasure to visit with him and discuss the world problems. He was the go to guy at Kodak when there were equipment problems, he could always fix or find a way to keep things going. He made alot of friends over the years and will be missed. God Bless the Whitman Family

jerry and nancine marsh - March 03, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JE

“ Ruth and Family, What wonderful memories you must have of your beloved Rhinnie and may you all carry those with you as you go through this difficult time. We send our thoughts and prayers to you and yours. Jerry and Donna Schott

JerrySchott - March 03, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RD

“ *Ruth Rhinnie's passing has put a void in our hearts and we will miss Rhinnie and his smile. We have enjoyed the past few years having breakfas with you and Rhinnie. Rhinnie loved to talk about world problems, car racing, lawn mowers, and golf carts and we always had a good laugh or two each time we were together. If we had a problem and ask Rhinnie about it, he would always have a solution. Rhinnie will be missed at breakfast and we will miss our talks together. The breakfast group all love you guys and we hope Ruth, when things settle down, you will join us again for breakfast.*
Richard and Jan Dorn

Richard Dorn - March 03, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BD

“ *RUTH AND FAMILY, WE ARE SO SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT RHINNIE. HE WAS ALWAYS SO HAPPY AND WITH A SMILE ON HIS FACE. ENJOYED TALKING TO HIM WHENEVER WE RAN IN TO HIM. HE WILL BE MISSED.*

BARB & BILL DAVIN - March 03, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LD

“ *With our sympathy. Lois and Virgil Davis*

Lois Davis - March 03, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ *Ruthie and family, we are so sorry to hear of Rhinnies' death. We remember in our teenage years of getting together and having a good time. God Bless you all as you go through this sorrowful time.*

Don & Pat Galyardt - March 03, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ Robin and family, I am so sorry about your dad/grandpa's death. Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers. Wish I could be with you at this time. Love, Carol & Sam

Carol Scheel - March 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ Rhinnie was a good friend at Kodak and when I seen him He was all ways doing his best every day. God Bless you all

jim porth - March 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ Ruth and family, Our prayers and sympathy for the loss of Rhinnie. We enjoyed the time we spent with the two of you at the Moose Lodge. God take care of all of you. Love Bill and Bert

Roberta Rumley - March 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

GA

“ Caring Thoughts of Sympathy Love knows no yesterday or tomorrow, no beginning or end... Love never changes. May you cherish the love that will be with you always. Live Today, Remember Yesterday, Await Tomorrow Maryann and George A. "Andy" Hofferber "and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying... Revelations 21:4

George A - March 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ *Ruthy, Randy and Robin, I will always have a special place in my heart for Rhinnie and RJ. Their laughs are embedded in me. We are very thankful to have had the pleasure of share life with them. Hugs and prayers, Ron and Dianne Stumpf*

Ron Stumpf - March 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

GC

“ *Deepest Sympathy. He will surely be missed. Love & Prayers*

Gary & Mary Clay - March 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ *Ruth,Robin & Randy, Caring thoughts to Ruth and family, Jerry and I will always remember the good times we spent together. Gods peace Jerry and Annett Rodenberger*

jerry & annett - March 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RK

“ *So sorry for your loss. I pray God will strengthen you in the days ahead. Hope to visit with you soon.*

Rena Kamerzell - March 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CA

“ *Please accept our most heartfelt sympathies for your loss...our thoughts are with you and your family during this difficult time.*

Charlotte Jordan & Sandy Lockman Adams - March 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AT

“ *Sorry for you're loss*

Audrey Thoutt - February 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM