



Jack D. Whittington

March 6, 2021

On Saturday, March 6, 2021, Jack D. Whittington, loving husband and father of two children, passed away at his home in Sarasota at the age of 78.

Jack was born on January 15, 1943, in Enigma, Georgia, to Marcus and Martha Whittington. He enlisted in the United States Air Force shortly after graduating from high school and served for 24 years until his retirement in 1987. Jack then began a successful career as a real estate agent. In both careers, Jack was known for his commitment to excellence in all he did and of being a man of high character and integrity.

On August 28, 1965, in Sarasota, Jack married a young nurse, Mary, whom he had first met on a blind date. Their 55-year marriage set an example for many, especially their two children, a son Steven and a daughter Stephanie, for what a Christ-centered, loving and devoted marriage could be.

Jack enjoyed listening to music, especially classic country and gospel. For years he was an avid runner and competed in many races, including multiple marathons. Jack loved to travel and, with his wife always at his side, visited many beautiful places over the years. He was known for his sense of humor, his optimism and his servant's heart. Jack served his community in many ways, including serving in multiple roles at his church, and volunteered as an usher at the Van Wezel Performing Arts Center and at Sarasota Memorial

Hospital.

Jack is survived by his wife, Mary, his two children, a son-in-law Edwin Lundy, a daughter-in-law Kim Whittington, four grandchildren and five siblings: William "Bill" Whittington, Bonita Sue Wilkens, Ann Railey, Vernon Whittington and Vickie Lodge. He was predeceased by his father and mother.

A private funeral service will be held at the Sarasota National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the children's ministry at Sarasota Baptist Church.

Tribute Wall

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“ We remember Jack as being a good Christian, husband father and papa.

Jack was a good friend and always upbeat and fun to be with.

We've shared many wonderful times with Jack and Mary over the past 43 years.

We're thankful for all the good memories.

Jerry and Linda Fields

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Condolences and prayers to the family.

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