

## Richard Edward Whitmore



Richard Edward Whitmore, 70, of Stafford, passed away on Monday, July 26, 2010, while vacationing in Albuquerque, New Mexico. He grew up in Claremore, Oklahoma, moved to Louisa, Virginia, then to Fredericksburg and Stafford.

Richard was a Life Member of the Virginia Professional Photographers' Association (VPPA), an organization that remained near and dear to him. He earned the prestigious FP Degree from the VPPA. His specialty was women's portraiture, particularly in posing and lighting, for which he won many awards, but he was always humble and cheerfully lent a hand to all who asked.

In addition to his life-long passion for photography, he was a Master Watchmaker and took in some work after he sold his photography business in Fredericksburg. He was a pilot, and he served as a Deputy in Louisa County, Virginia.

Richard possessed a quick wit and enjoyed having a laugh with everyone he met, which endeared him to many. He will be greatly missed and fondly remembered.

He is survived by his wife, Judith; his son, Richard Edward Whitmore, Jr. of Annapolis, Maryland, and his wife, Patti; his daughter, Anne Morris of Charlottesville, Virginia, and her husband, Chris; his step-son, Robert Mitchell of Charlottesville, Virginia; his step-daughter, Diane Hanna of Stafford, Virginia, and her husband, David; his brother, Tom Whitmore of Bradenton, Florida, and his wife, Susan; and his sister, Lara Jacobs and her husband, Larry, of Bradenton, Florida. Grandchildren include Emily Whitmore, Katie Whitmore, and Emily Morris.

A celebration of his life is planned for Sunday, August 22, 4:00pm, at Fredericksburg Baptist Church, 1019 Princess Anne Street, Fredericksburg, Virginia. Memorial contributions may be made to the VPPA, care of Polly Frye, 1585 Pine Court, Harrisonburg, Virginia, 22802-2485.