

## **DOUGLAS B. WHITSTONE**

Age 63, of Scott Twp., passed suddenly on Sunday, Sept. 3, 2023. Son of the late William and Audrey (Fletcher) Whitstone; beloved husband of Doreen (Feyrer) Whitstone; dear father of Bethany (J.B.) Ward, Cassandra (Caleb) Peterson, and Liann (Kyle) Jensen; loving grandfather of Margaret Anne, Wilson, Charles, Hewitt, Perrin and Audrey. Brother of Cynthia Whitstone (Stephen), Tracey (Brian) Ratte', Nick (Amanda) Whitstone and the late William (Surviving spouse, Lisa) Whitstone; also survived by many nieces, nephews and cousins. Doug's love of learning and doing things with excellence began as a young child. He taught himself to fix discarded mowers and electronics, taking what little he had and making so much more from it. Doug saw the needs of others and moved toward them. Because of his faith, his greatest blessing was loving his family and friends through service. He spent many thousands of hours being a Mr. Fix-it for anyone who knew him and through 'Builders for God' for over 20 years. He took pride in making his home and the homes of his daughters, sisters and mother better always saying, "Make me a list"! He was also a prolific blood donor, donating over 100 times. Doug was a supporter of Young Life, whose mission is to introduce adolescents to the God who loves them. He often spoke of prioritizing love and grace over judgement, finding comfort in being known by God in this way. His daughters hold fond memories of him teaching them to swim, play golf, mow the lawn, properly throw a frisbee and playing classic rock music. Doug was very proud of his girls and their families and often told anyone who would listen. He loved to play card games with his family attempting to keep up with the skills of his sons-in-law. He loved to build things with his grandchildren, setting them up with tools and engineering projects to do together. He and his wife, Doreen, enjoyed making memories traveling the country visiting friends and family. He also enjoyed photography, Aikido, golfing, sailing, cooking, and telling stories. Doug was an accomplished biomedical engineer and trainer with Perkin Elmer. He had work colleagues and friends worldwide and often talked about the joy he felt getting to teach his skills to others and learning from them in return. The breadth of knowledge he possessed in his profession could never be quantified, but he always worked to share what he knew. The gap left in his absence will never truly be filled. His family never wondered if he would show up for them because he always did. There is comfort in knowing God numbers our days and that Doug is made whole in the presence of God (and finally able to eat pizza!) Family and friends are welcome Friday, 2-4 and 5-7 p.m., **WILLIAM SLATER II FUNERAL SERVICE**, 1650 Greentree Rd., Scott Twp., (15220), where a Funeral Service will follow visitation at 7:00 p.m. In lieu of flowers, please donate to your local Blood Bank or Young Life.

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