

James Arthur Whitney

Born April 19, 1946 in Middlebury, Vermont.
Died March 18, 2026 in Athens, Georgia.

Jim was the son of Henry and Beatrice Whitney of Cornwall, Vermont. He was married to Sandra Endrodi Whitney for 50 years and they had two sons, Nathaniel and Daniel.

He is also survived by his five grandchildren, Benjamin Whitney, Abigail Whitney, Ethan Whitney, Ezra Whitney, and Elias Whitney.

Jim graduated with both BS and MS from MIT(1969), and a PhD from Stanford (1972). He came to the University of Georgia as a "Temporary Assistant Professor" in Geology in 1972 and retired as a Full Professor in 2001. During this time, he served as Dept. Head of Geology for 8 years, as Associate Vice President of Academic Affairs for 4 years, and Dept. Head of Anthropology for 2 years.

While he was Head of the Geology Department, in 1988, he created what is now the Interdisciplinary Field Program teaching Geology, Anthropology, and Ecology as they travel across the US during the Summer term.

In his retirement he enjoyed traveling the world.

A Celebration of Life

and

Witness to the Resurrection

James Arthur Whitney
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Covenant Presbyterian Church
1065 Gaines School Road
Athens, GA 30605

April 11, 2026
2:00 pm