



Thomas Andrew Whitley

March 28, 1991 - October 18, 2008

Thomas Andrew Whitley , 17

Our beloved son and friend to all has moved on to eternal life.

Andrew, a senior @ Alamo Heights High School, an Eagle Scout who loved life and the outdoors. Our Thanks go out to Pack and Troop 59 of the Boy Scouts of America and the Alamo Heights Methodist Church. Andrew loved the mountains of West Texas and Colorado. He had already climbed nine of the 14, 000 ft. plus Peaks in Colorado and his ultimate goal was to summit them all.

He loved to play tennis and he was very passionate about running. His dear friends meant everything to him. He was happiest when he was with them. He loved them and he knew they loved him as well. The Love and kindness of the Community has been overwhelming. We want to thank all of you who shared your Life with him.

Andrew is survived by his parents: Karen & Allen Whitley of San Antonio, Grandmothers: Shannon Andrews of Ingram & Shirley Whitley of San Antonio, Grandfather: Tom Whitley of S.A. , Uncles: Mark Andrews of Granbury Tx., Walter Andrews of Buda, Tx, Greg Rodgers of Allen, TX & Tim Whitley of N. Palmerston, New Zealand. Aunts: Paula Rodgers of Allen, TX , Bridgette Andrews of Buda, TX & Carol Whitley of N. Palmerston, New Zealand.

Visitation will be held Tuesday, October 21, 2008 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at The Alamo Heights Methodist Church. The Funeral Service will be held

Wednesday, October 22, 2008 at The Alamo Heights Methodist Church at 4:00 p.m. Memorial gifts may be made to The Boy Scouts of America, Alamo Council Office 2226 NW Military Highway San Antonio, Texas, 78213 or The Nature Conservancy of Texas 711 Navarro, San Antonio.Texas.

Tribute Wall

DI

“ I never met you Andrew, but you were very important to someone I really care about, and because of that I know you were and will forever remain to be a great person. I have no doubt in my mind that where ever you are, you are smiling and making that place

DiaDia - October 18, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JT

“ Andrew was my first true friend, I met him in first grade and he remained my friend throughout 11 years of school. I miss him so much, but I know one day I'll see him again.

JT - February 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BA

“ To a fellow Eagle Scout. No one "was" an Eagle, but is, forever, a member of this brotherhood. My condolences.

Barrett - February 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ I had seen Thomas' profile and posts on Summitpost.com, a mountaineering blog site. We of the community of that site, like myself, are very saddened. We really enjoy seeing young people's interest in mountaineering. My deepest sympathy.

Bill S. - January 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ My condolences. I only met Andrew once, but we climbed mt elbert a few summers ago and I really enjoyed my time spent with him and his father. Much love to the family and Rest in Peace

James Crussell - January 14, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TO

“ *It is very sad what happened to Thomas. My Condolences to the family and friends.*
Summitpost member Tomi

tomi - January 14, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ *Rest peacefully Thomas. You touched many lives throughout the mountaineering community. "Climb on."*

Dave

Dave Daly - January 14, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BL

“ *God speed fellow climber...*

RIP Andrew

Britian Luthy - January 13, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DL

“ *I am saddened by the loss. I only new Thomas as taw6644 from my Big Bend Chat page. He was an avid "Bender" and will be missed. God speed, my friend, and may you hike the trails of the universe for eternity.*

David
aka Casa Grande

David Locke - January 13, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ Farewell fellow lover of the mountains!

James Lupton - January 13, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RI

“ A promising young climber taken way, way too early. My condolences to the family...

Rick - January 13, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BR

“ I just heard today that Andrew has passed. I met Andrew and his dad a couple of years ago in a place he loved, Big Bend National Park. He had corresponded with me through the internet site www.summitpost.com and www.14ers.com and was interested in me sh

Barry Raven - January 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BP

“ Karen and Allen,
I hope you know how much my son David cared for Andrew--"the nicest kid in the world." We are all so very sorry at his passing. Karen, you have been a big part of David's life, and he has always talked so fondly of you and Andrew. Plea

Barbara Peterson - October 24, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MN

“ Extending our heartfelt condolences on the loss of your loved one.

Directors & Staff at Mission Park Funeral Chapels North

Mission Park North - October 23, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ I worked with Thomas's dad Allen up until 1991 at Heb Construction, that was seventeen years ago when you were just arriving. Your dad always had a look of happiness and anticipation waiting for you to be born. May god comfort your family and give them th

lisa martinez - October 23, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ Karen & Allen, you were blessed with a very special gift. I've been struggling to understand the purpose of life since I heard of your loss. The last time we saw Andrew he was no more than two years old but already had the joy of life that came through ea

Steve & Judy Parish - October 23, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ Andrew- I don't even have to be close to you to realize what an amazing person you are. i love you with all my heart. i can feel you when the wind blows. i've gone by your memorial everyday and i'm sure you already know, but i talk to you everytime. i'll

Mia Perese - October 23, 2008 at 12:00 AM

HF

“ i miss you so much, andrew. i am so glad that i was able to know you for the amount of time that i did. you are one of the nicest and most genuine people i have ever met. i am so thankful that i was able to have you in my life for the time that i did. i l

Hely Forrester - October 23, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ *Mr. and Mrs. Whitley-
I cannot possibly put into words the extent of your son's impact on my life. No one has ever made such an effort to say hello to me in the hallway or even just to share that sweet smile of his. I would immediately smile each time I*

Meredith Marceau - October 23, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ *Allen and Family:*

I am so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this very difficult time.

Doug Starasinic & Family - October 22, 2008 at 12:00 AM

PI

“ *Karen, My heart and prayers are with you and your family. My son, Rett, is in Andrew's senior class. He and a group of other students gathered at our house on Sunday to remember Andrew. They have all been deeply moved. Andrew was very well liked by his c*

Paul McSween III - October 22, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ *Karen, Just wanted to let you know that you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. Take care and talk to you soon. Linda*

Linda Morris - October 22, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MJ

“ *Allen, I am deeply saddened by your loss. I will keep you and your family in my thoughts and prayers. mj*

Mark Johnson - October 22, 2008 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ Karen,
My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Bevin

Bevin Crow - October 22, 2008 at 12:00 AM

EE

“ Karen,

My prayers and thoughts are with you and your husband. I know that you are proud of Andrew's life. I could see it in your eyes when we would talk about him at work. I hope we can talk soon.

Edward Esquivel

Edward Esquivel - October 22, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ We are deeply saddened to hear about the death of Andrew. May God's Grace strengthen you through this difficult time.

Robert & Holly Friesenhahn - October 22, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ Karen -

I am so very sorry for your loss and my prayers are with you. Although I never met Andrew, I feel as if I knew his spirit and heart through our conversations comparing notes about Scouting. From reading the other memorials, it is clear his li

Kevin H. Berry - October 22, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ Words cannot express the sorrow I feel for the loss of Andrew. The only comfort I can give is that he is not gone from your heart and that the Lord has his arms around you now.

Sincerely,
Toni

Toni Bierschenk - October 22, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ Allen & Family, we are so very sorry for your loss. Our prayers & sympathy are with you all & may God Bless & Keep You in this time of heartbreak & sorrow.

Ray & Kay Colmenares - October 22, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JE

“ Allen -

Our thoughts and prayers are with you and Karen during this difficult time.

Joe and Ruthie Eaton - October 22, 2008 at 12:00 AM

ID

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. I will keep you and your family in my prayers.

Ilene Delgado - October 22, 2008 at 12:00 AM

EM

“ We are so very sorry for your loss and our prayers are with you and your family. May God's Grace strengthen you through this difficult time.

Edward Miranda - October 22, 2008 at 12:00 AM

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VS

“ Allen-
I can not imagine your grief. My prayers and thoughts are with you today, tomorrow and in the weeks ahead. May God comfort you and keep you an Karen in his loving arms. many of us are praying for you. You are not alone, let us know if you need

Verr Soltes - October 22, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KA

“ Karen,
I am so sorry for the loss of your son, our thoughts and prayers will be with you and your family.

Kent Anderson - October 22, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DK

“ Allen,
I was saddened to hear about the loss of your son. You and your family are in my thoughts.

Debbie Knox - October 22, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ Dear Karen and Allen,

It was always a pleasure to have spent time with Andrew; such a fine young person. You knew he was a man loved totally by those that brought him into this world and he returned that gift to others. His time with us was way too sho

Tim Sullivan - October 22, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DK

“ Allen/Karen: Very Sorry about the loss of your son. Please know our prayers and thoughts are with you.

David and Mary Beth Kayle - October 22, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LR

“ To the Whitley Family,

I was in B.S.A. Troop 59 last year and knew Thomas only a short time before I transfered to another boy scout troop. He was real nice to me and very helpful.

I'm very sorry for your loss. May God be with you and your family i

Landes B. Rangel - October 22, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ Karen and Allen, What a handsome fine young man your cute little boy became and with that same sweet smile. Andrew was over recently and I am grateful for the opportunity to have seen him. Mollie thought the world of Andrew and was proud he was a friend

Tara Richardson Welmaker - October 22, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ *Mr. and Mrs. Whitley,*

I remember the birthday party of Andrew's when we went downtown to Ripley's Believe It or Not. I was the only little girl, and i of course got scared so you, Mrs. Whitley held my hand. I remember being at y'all's house after one o

Mollie Richardson - October 22, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ *Our prayers and thoughts are with you and your family.*

Dell & Larry Colson - October 21, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ *It's obvious that Andrew had a wonderful life surrounded by an incredibly LOVING FAMILY & huge amount of TRUE FRIENDS. He will be horribly missed, but will always remain in our hearts.*

Maggie Cormier - October 21, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time & always.*

John & Mary Snell - October 21, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ *Allen, we only know each other through tennis, but I am very saddened to hear of your loss. You and your family are in my thoughts.*

Kevin Frazzini - October 21, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RL

“ From the first days when we met you when you were in First Grade, to you becoming such a fine young man and an Eagle Scout, you accomplished so much and touched many of us. As one of the adults that watched you grow up, learn, expand your horizons, and su

Robert Looney - October 21, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ Karen & Allen,
I am so sorry to hear of your loss. I know Andrew was the world to you. My thoughts, prayers & deepest condolences are with you during this trying time.

Jacqueline Bettac Klein - October 21, 2008 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ Karen and Allen,
Paul and I only wish you will endure this most difficult time in your lives now. I know you will have the best memories of Andrew. These memories will become a greater part of your lives to give you strength. Our hearts and love are wit

Paul and Paulette Mallard - October 21, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Andrew - an exemplary young man with a kind and gentle spirit, inquisitive and bright, with a friendly outgoing nature. You accomplished much in your too short life. You are loved by your family and friends and will be remembered well by many whose lives

Martin & Shannon Smith - October 21, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Diana Stumberg - October 21, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LT

“ *Dear Karen and Allen--Please know that you two are in our thoughts and prayers. We love you.*

Loyd and Karen Turner

Loyd and Karen Turner - October 21, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LL

“ *Andrew was such a wonderful kid. I especially remember Mount Livermore. We spent all day climbing that mountain and we had such a celebration when we returned back to our camp. It really encompassed how you looked at life; take one challenge at a time*

Leena K. Looney - October 21, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ *I had the privilege of being Andrew's teacher in second and third grade. I can still remember his great smile that would brighten my day and his love for learning new things. My thoughts and prayers are with your family.*

Judy Jacobs - October 21, 2008 at 12:00 AM

NP

“ Karen and Allen,
Remember, I first called him Yoda. He had that sweet energy of love
and wisdom as a babe. You laughed, we laughed, but I meant it with
respect and appreciation.
What a blessing to have shared your life with him for 17 years.
May

Nina Powers - October 21, 2008 at 12:00 AM

NJ

“ So very saddened... my condolences and prayers are out to each
and everyone who knew,loved and shared in Andrews life.

Nancy Joas - October 20, 2008 at 12:00 AM

AP

“ Zane and I will miss you forever. Happy-go-lucky...that is what I
always will remember about you.

Abbi Power - October 20, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ You became part of our CRUZ family when my father gave you a
nickname abuelo. It means grandfather. He felt you were an "old
spirit". Someone who is wise and has been around. You also
earned a place in our family when you made "cochinita pibil" your
favo

maria cruz - October 20, 2008 at 12:00 AM