



## Victor Anthony Whitlock

February 1, 1953 - August 15, 2025

It is with deep sadness that we share the passing of our dear friend, Victor Whitlock, on Friday August 15, 2025. This is a profound loss for all who knew him. He had a gift for friendship—everyone who met him felt his warmth, and many would say he was the kindest person they had ever known.

Victor Anthony Whitlock was born February 1, 1953, in Oklahoma City, OK to Charles Edward Whitlock and Dorris Odell Spurlock.

Victor married Renetta Lynn Shell in Las Vegas, March of 2004, and together they built a life filled with love, joy, and a shared passion for dogs. Both he and Lynn were deeply involved in dog shows and became respected breeders of Borzoi and Silken Windhounds. Their dedication and care brought them great happiness, as well as the admiration of their community.

His love for dogs extended beyond breeding and showing. He was an active member and past President of GazeHounds in Texas, a longtime member of the Borzoi Club of America, and a member of the International Silken Windhound Society. Always generous with his time and energy, Victor frequently assisted multiple dog clubs as a lure operator for performance events, embodying his commitment to supporting others and strengthening the community he loved.

Outside of his love of dogs, he was also an accomplished academic. Having both a degree in Mathematics and an MBA in Information Systems Management, Victor worked with the Tyler Tech Finance IT team as an Applications Administrator for over 8 years. He took part in so many monumental moments for the company. Prior to joining Tyler, Victor shared his calculated brilliance in various organizations, serving as an administrator of finance, HR, insurance, and procurement systems.

Victor's kindness, enthusiasm, and unwavering support touched countless lives. He will be remembered not only for his dedication to the world of dogs, but also for his genuine spirit and the friendships he nurtured throughout his life.

We hold Victor's family and loved ones close in our hearts and prayers during this difficult time. His presence will be deeply missed, and his memory will be cherished always.

Victor is survived by his wife Renetta Lynn Shell; sister, Charlyn Whitlock of Bellingham, WA; half-sisters; Lynn Robinson and Colleen Groner; and half-brother, Patrick Cleary.

Victor was preceded in death by his parents Dorris and Charles Whitlock.

A visitation will be held Thursday, August 21, 2025, at the Slay Memorial Chapel of Aubrey, TX, from 6:30PM to 7:30PM.

Online condolences may be shared at [www.slaymemorialfuneralhome.com](http://www.slaymemorialfuneralhome.com).

Arrangements are under the direction of Terri Slay and Slay Memorial Funeral Center.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG **21**. 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM (CT)

Slay Memorial Chapel of Aubrey  
400 South Highway 377  
Aubrey, TX 76227  
info@slaymemorial.com  
<http://www.slaymemorialfuneralhome.com>

# Tribute Wall

JB

“ I worked with Victor at Tuesday Morning... Kept in touch with him when he moved to Tyler Tech... Good man... Also, really enjoyed his side action with dogs... Hard to not admire someone who was so good and kind to animals!!! Wishing his family peace during and after his passing...

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**Julius Briscoe** - October 01, 2025 at 02:44 PM

JW

“ I met Victor when he came to visit in Bellingham. He came to my home with his sister and my special friend, Char. I will miss him because of the great sibling-friend relationship they had and the sweet, kind man he was. The sadness from his passing will always be shared with Char. May he rest in peace. -Jude Wilson-

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**Jude Wilson** - September 04, 2025 at 03:58 PM

GH

“ I knew Victor thru his sister and my best friend Char. He met us in New Orleans one time while Char and I were there vacationing. I will miss Victor for different reasons than those who worked with him or knew him through dog shows. I will miss him because of the special bond he and his sister shared not only as siblings but as friends. He leaves an emptiness in her heart that will always be felt and for that I am sad. He will truly be missed and celebrated for his quiet and gentle presence in each of our lives. May he rest in peace for he was loved by many. -Gretchen Hausenfluck-

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**Gretchen Hausenfluck** - August 22, 2025 at 12:02 PM

GP

“ I knew Victor through BCOA and seeing him at shows. He was a genuinely nice person and will be missed.

Gwen Post - August 22, 2025 at 08:03 AM

CJ

“ I met Victor at ringside in the 70's when I began showing my first Borzoi. In the 80's he introduced me to lure coursing, which totally changed my life in so many ways. Anyone who has met Victor has benefited from his love of Borzoi, his kindness, patience, and hard work. Thank you Victor! You will always be remembered and missed by so many.

Connie Jordan - August 21, 2025 at 07:17 PM



“ I am so sad to hear of Victor's passing. My deepest sympathies to Lynn and his family. Victor was always so helpful & a wealth of information regarding anything I asked him about dog showing & coursing. No question I asked him was ever too dumb- he genuinely seemed to enjoy educating me, my husband and my many sighthound fancier friends. He was such a kind man and will be missed.

Laurie Tarver

Laurie Tarver - August 21, 2025 at 05:32 PM

NA

“ My deepest sympathies to Lynn and his family. I've known Victor probably 24 years through lure coursing and dog shows. I would help him release his Borzois at the line. Victor was a gentle and kind soul and will be greatly missed by all who knew him. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Nancy Henry

Nancy - August 21, 2025 at 04:31 PM

GS

“ I worked with Victor at Tyler, he was always a very kind person. I'd always ask him about his dogs and if he had any upcoming dog shows. I amazed that he was showing and breeding Borzois as those are a pretty rare breed. He was a pleasure to work with and will be missed. My prayers to his family and friends.



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**Genie Smith** - August 21, 2025 at 02:34 PM

LC

“ I worked with Victor at Tyler for many years. He messaged me each morning at 7AM Eastern with the PSA kickouts to work on. We collaborated throughout the week to get the expense ACH run through to completion, with occasional time for a friendly chat while we were waiting for items to run. As a team, the entire AP crew truly appreciated his dedication and kindness in assisting us with our IT needs with gracious patience. We miss him dearly.



*Thoughts and prayers for the family and friends.*  
~ Lisa Carpenter

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**Lisa Carpenter** - August 21, 2025 at 12:13 PM

AW

“ I had the pleasure of working with Victor the last 4 years and he was always super helpful whenever I needed any help from his IT team. Such a quiet and nice guy - I will miss him saying Good Morning as we always used to get to the office about the same time and used to park next to each other.

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**Anna Williams** - August 21, 2025 at 11:37 AM

SS

“ I've know Victor since the mid 80's...A kinder, gentler person you would never meet....he loved his hounds and was the best sportsman...our lure coursing world is a bit dimmer now...

Sandy Simmons-Gamble - August 20, 2025 at 09:14 PM

MH

“ My deepest sympathy to Victor's family. Victor was a steady and kind presence at lure coursing events when I first came to the sport. He was a hard worker and always willing to help new people. Most of all, he clearly loved his dogs.

Michele Hartmann - August 20, 2025 at 08:41 PM



“ Victor took the time to welcome me to the sighthound club world. I will always be grateful for his thoughtful engagement and enthusiasm for the sport.

Laird Morgan - August 20, 2025 at 07:45 PM

LS

“ I've known Victor for many years and he was a genuinely nice person. I will miss seeing his smiling face at dog events. :-)

LINDA S STILWELL - August 20, 2025 at 07:03 PM