

# Peter Jared Cecchinelli

January 19, 1943

May 18, 2009

Fort Collins, CO



After a courageous 19-month battle with cancer, **Captain Peter Jared Cecchinelli** (United Airlines, Retired) of Fort Collins, CO, died peacefully at home Monday, May 18, 2009 surrounded by his family.

He was Born January 19, 1943, in Rockford, IL, to Frank and Catherine Betty (Thatcher) Cecchinelli. Pete grew up in Rockford where he was a member of the West Rockford High School Class of 1961. In 1963, he graduated from the College of Aviation at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. Pete flew for

United Airlines for more than 37 years.

He leaves behind Karen, his wife of 43 years; daughters, Lisa Cecchinelli and Laura Cecchinelli Barnes; son, Wade (Cyndi) Cecchinelli; grandsons, Devon Cecchinelli, Josh Cecchinelli, and Trevor Henderson; granddaughter, Kelsey Barnes of Ft. Collins; sister, Elaine Thornton; nephews, Michael Thornton and Bradley Thornton of Louisiana; brother, John Cecchinelli; nephew, Frank Matthew Cecchinelli; and uncle and aunt, Lewis and Marilyn Moore of Rockford.

Visitation will be from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, May 21, in Goes Funeral Care, 3665 Canal Drive, Ft. Collins. A celebration of Peter's life begins 1:00 a.m. Saturday, in Harmony Presbyterian Church, 400 E. Boardwalk, Ft. Collins. The family requests that any memorial donations be made to the Food Bank or Pathways Hospice, both of Larimer County, CO. You are invited to sign the guestbook and express your thoughts and memories of Peter at [www.goesfuneralcare.com](http://www.goesfuneralcare.com) .

## References:

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