

Lee Alan Belden

Lee A. Belden, age 94, passed away peacefully after a brief illness on May 24, 2025.

Lee was born November 15, 1930, in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, the third of three sons to Herbert and Myrtle (Mays) Belden. After high school, Lee enlisted in the recently formed U S Air Force in 1949. He served in the Air Force and also in the Air Force Reserves. His assignments sent him all over the world including Morocco, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, the Aleutian Islands, and Vietnam.

Retiring in 1973 as a Senior Master Sergeant, Lee began his civilian life in Colorado Springs. He would graduate from El Paso Community College while also working for a local manufacturing company. Ready to develop roots, Lee became an active member of First Presbyterian Church, participating in the Going Concern, bible studies, the church choir, and also serving as a Deacon.

The church choir gave him the opportunity to meet the love of his life, Lois Holme, in 1992. She too had lived the nomadic military life, before losing her first husband several years prior. They were married in September 1993, and Lee not only gained a wife, but three adult children.

Together, they established their home, raised a dog, gardened, traveled, and entertained friends and family, and participated in many church activities.

Sadly, Lois passed away in December, 2024, succumbing to complications from a stroke. With waning mobility and health, and a heavy heart, Lee elected to move to Mackenzie Place in April of this year.

Lee was preceded in death by Lois, his parents, and brothers Paul and Clifford Belden. He is survived by his 3 step children : Steven Holme (Kirby Harth) of Palm Springs, CA, Dr. Robert Holme (Gina) of Tifton, GA, and Dr. Lori Ahrens (Kurt) of Mount Vernon, WA, as well as two nieces.

Lee was a dedicated and loving husband, stepfather, and uncle. He was kind and generous, and he will be missed by the many wonderful friends and neighbors who knew him and helped to make Colorado home.

A Celebration of Life will be held at First Presbyterian Church on July 9, 2025 at 11 am, followed by private internment at Pikes Peak National Cemetery where he and Lois will be laid to rest the following day.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to First Presbyterian Church Music Department.