



Thomas M. Whitney

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After joining Hewlett-Packard in 1967, Thomas M. Whitney led a team of engineers that invented the world's first hand-held electronic scientific calculator, the HP-35. Named for its 35 buttons, the HP-35 was the first pocket calculator able to perform trigonometric functions. In 1978, Whitney joined Steve Jobs and Steve Wozniak as one of the earliest employees of Apple Computer Inc. Whitney served as the executive vice president for engineering and helped to develop the Apple II, the world's first accessible and highly successful personal computer. After his death, his wife, Donna Whitney, established the Thomas M. Whitney Professorship of Electrical and Computer Engineering.

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