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George Whitfield, associate professor of physics at The Pennsylvania State University, died on 21 August 1981.

Whitfield was born in New York City on 12 December 1930. He graduated with a BS degree from City College of New York in 1954 and received a PhD in physics from Columbia University in 1959. After a postdoctoral appointment at the University of Illinois, he was assistant professor of electrical engineering at Princeton University from 1962 to 1965. He went to Penn State in 1965.

Whitfield was internationally known for his work on polaron theory; in the 1970s, at the Middle East Technical University in Ankara, he collaborated on research in solid-state physics. He was co-author with Charles Kuper of *Polarons and Excitons*. At the time of his death he was working on a book on polaron theory. His other research interests included the theory of superfluidity and, in recent years, the foundations of the theory of superconductivity.

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