



William Joe Wright

June 11, 1935 - November 11, 2010

William "Bill" Joe Wright, of Houston, went to be with his heavenly Father on November 11, 2010, at the age of 75. He was born on June 11, 1935 in Hurley, Missouri to Lyman and Goldie Ailshie Wright. He was retired from a long career in Retail Sales management, working for J.J. Newberry Corp., Wilber Britt Ben Franklin Stores, Ben Franklin Corporation (as Regional Sales Manager), Family Dollar and Fred's. He managed stores in Missouri, Alabama, Ohio, Texas, Indiana, Kentucky, Tennessee, Illinois, and Arkansas. Bill was a lifelong member of the Nazarene Church. He has served as Treasurer, Board Member, and Sunday School teacher. He was a current member of the Perryville Immanuel Church of the Nazarene. He was an avid Razorback fan and member of the Petit Jean Razorback Club. He enjoyed watching sports and traveling, and also loved to read books. Bill was a very loving husband, father, and grandfather.

Bill was preceded in death by one son, Steven Joel Wright and his parents. He is survived by his wife of 39 years, Virginia Roberson Wright; daughters, Michelle (Leo) Hernandez, Trudy (Mike) Kordsmeier, Renee (Calvin) Marlow; sons, Michael (Shannon) Wright, Buddy (Kim) Rathbun; granddaughters, Meghan Denoyer, Isabella Hernandez, Bailey Wright, Lilah Hernandez, Tiffany Wilkerson, April (Joseph) Hamlin, Rebecca Rathbun, Allyson (B.J.) Ponder, Kristen Rathbun; grandsons, Jordan Wright, David Wilkerson, Kody Marlow; great-granddaughters, Eden Wilkerson, Presley Ponder, Tea-Wilkerson, Allanya Wilkerson, and Brookelyn York; great-grandsons, Nicholas Wilkerson,

Logan Ponder, and Bradley Hamlin.

Pallbearers will be Jordan Wright, Kody Marlow, Mike Stewart, Harold Moore, Kenneth Hester, and Jim Roberson. Honorary Pallbearers will be Joseph Hamlin, B.J. Ponder, and Tommy Ottendorf.

Funeral Service will be 11:00 a.m. Monday, November 15, at Harris Chapel with Bro. Gerald Alexander and Bro. James Mullins officiating. Family will receive friends Sunday, November 14, from 3:00-5:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at Elmwood Cemetery by Harris Funeral Home of Morrilton. Memorial Donations may be made to Perryville Immanuel Church of the Nazarene, P.O. Box 1029, Perryville, Arkansas 72126.

Tribute Wall



“ *William Joe Wright*

January 30, 2023 at 02:08 AM



“ *Dear Virginia and Family, so sorry to hear of Bill's passing. I know you will miss him so much. God said, "I will never leave you or forsake you", and I find His word to be true. I am praying for you and your wonderful family.
May God bless each of you at this time.
Love and Prayers, Marilyn*

June 29, 2018 at 10:34 PM



“ *Renee, Very sorry for your loss. You and your family are in our thoughts.*

November 15, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Renee, I am so sorry for your loss. My Prayers are with you and your family.*

November 15, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Virginia, we were saddened to hear about Bill's passing, our sympathy goes out to you and all the family. May God bless you during this sad time.*

November 15, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Our condolences in your Father's passing, Mike. Both of our Father's passed on many years ago. Your Father leaves behind a godly son & a good man. May the Lord be with you and your Family in this sorrowful time.*

*Aho,
Berl and V Harrell*

November 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Sunni, so deeply sorry for your loss. I remember that on the anniversary of my son's death, I was having a really bad moment at the store. Bill then told me of his son's death. Bill was a very private person. I appreciated his candor. We never completely get over losing one that we love, but time eases the pain. Just know that we love you and you and family are in our thoughts and prayers. Donna*

November 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Renee and family: you are in my thoughts and prayers. God bless you.*

November 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM