



William Carroll Wright

March 31, 1944 - December 31, 2021

William Carroll Wright, aka Tree, passed away peacefully on Friday, December 31, 2021 at the age of 77. He was born on March 31, 1944 in Port Clinton, Ohio to John Hemme Wright and Susie Mae Carroll-Wright. Bill graduated from Pompano Beach High School in 1964. He served as a Food Service Specialist in the United States Coast Guard from 1965-1968. Bill spent his career as a Driver Engineer for the City of Deerfield Beach from 1972-1998. He also worked a second job with his childhood friends Jack and Greg Rogers at R&R Builders, where he grew his love for building and craftsmanship.

His love of cooking started out in the Coast Guard. When he joined the fire department he carried on this tradition of cooking as the unofficial station chef for all his co-workers on shift. He enjoyed sharing his wealth of life knowledge with his children and grandchildren, from cooking techniques to how to properly clean a dish “his way”. If you know our father, his way was the only way.

Bill always had a project he would be tinkering on, from woodworking to leather making. There wasn't anything our father couldn't build, make, or create- he was an original do-it-yourself-er! An avid history buff, Bill enjoyed watching documentaries about historical events. He enjoyed watching sports, especially cheering on local teams like the Marlins and Dolphins.

Admirably dubbed Tree, Bill's towering size also matched his personality. He was a man with a kind heart and a booming voice; he loved hard and spoke

loud! He loved to tease everyone he met. No one was exempt from Bill's playful, but good-humored teasing, and you knew you had a special place in his heart if he endearingly gave you a witty nickname.

Bill is survived by sister Carole Faye Petersen and Robert Max Petersen, his children Carrie Lynn Lindsey, Jeannie Denise Hartzell and David Jonathan Hartzell, William John Hemme Wright, and his grandchildren Tyler Matthew Wright, Madison Riley Hartzell, And Collin William Hartzell.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 8. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *L.C. Poitier Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of William Carroll Wright*



L.C. Poitier Funeral Home - January 07, 2022 at 06:37 AM



“ *William Carroll Wright*

September 27, 2023 at 05:27 AM



“ *Like most we have more memories than I can list. So here are a couple. Bill came into my shop sick one day and asked if I could find a doctor he could see. I called Jane's doctor to see if he could get Bill someplace. Dr. Wargo (some of you ladies may remember him) Doc said bring Bill to him. You should have seen the looks from the ladies in the waiting room. Bet he never told you that one Billy. About cooking, our wives went off on clogging things now and then. Bill always wanted to make a special meal for when they came home. We never told them what it was until they tasted it. Clean up took several days after to finish. Miss you Bill and our 2 hour phone calls every month or so to catch up.*
Dave and Jane Grove

Dave and Jane Grove - January 08, 2022 at 03:23 PM

RM

“ *My best childhood memories came from times we spent over at my uncle Bills house. We had these friday nights we would get pizza with our cousins sand the adults would get to hang out and us kids got into our troubles. I always felt safe, loved, and looked forward to those times. Sadly I haven't him since we moved out of state, but I'll never forget his funny, joking nature and his way of making people special. I know God has a very special job for you know and your pain is lifted. May you be reunited with all your lost loved ones and peace be with you!*



Rachael Monaco - January 08, 2022 at 03:01 PM



“ *45 files added to the album Life Tributes*



L.C. Poitier Funeral Home - January 08, 2022 at 12:00 PM

DS

“ Hey buddy, i have been up here waiting for the day we see each other again. I really look forward to hearing about what has been going on since I left. I have missed you. Don't worry, i have already scoped the place out and found a really nice bar to have a few beers and catch up. It has a barstool with your name on it. Best friends forever.

Signed by Dave Harris Sr.

Dave Harris Sr. - January 08, 2022 at 11:27 AM

TB

“ Terri and Pierre Bureau purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of William Carroll Wright.



Terri and Pierre Bureau - January 07, 2022 at 05:05 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of William Carroll Wright.



January 06, 2022 at 04:04 PM



“ Vivid Recollections was purchased for the family of William Carroll Wright.



January 05, 2022 at 10:25 PM

UD

“ *Uncle Bob & Aunt Debbie purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of William Carroll Wright.*



Uncle Bob & Aunt Debbie - January 05, 2022 at 08:23 PM

CM

“ *My memory of Bill goes back to passing him on my bicycle on the dirt road taking us to Deerfield Jr. High School. Bill was walking in his long strided way and even though I was the younger sister of his best buddy at the time, when most older guys would ignore, Bill always said hello. I have seen Bill a few times across these many years and he always was the same....a little bit shy but always with a smile radiating warmth and genuineness. We have lost a good human being but our faith tell us that he has been reunited with those he has loved and lost. Peace and warm wishes to his surviving family that the memories bring more smiles than tears.*
Carol & John Moore

Carol Moore - January 05, 2022 at 06:42 PM



“ *Memorial Trees was purchased for the family of William Carroll Wright.*

January 05, 2022 at 06:23 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of William Carroll Wright.



January 04, 2022 at 08:47 PM



“ I am honored to be such a close friend of this family for my entire life. Bill Sr was an inspiration to so many for his caring ways and willingness to help others. He always did things with a smile. From his days with DBFR to his retirement, he always cared for everyone the same way, with everything he had. He was proud of his kids and loved being a grandpa. Billy Jr is a “chip off the old block” if you know what I mean. From cooking, woodworking and just being a great friend is all an attribute to remember in this time. He is proud to have know so many and will be waiting for all of us with an amazing meal and open hand when we meet again. We will miss you for now!!!!

David Harris - January 03, 2022 at 09:02 PM



“ [https://www.lcpoitierfuneralhome.com/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518"; target="_blank">Memorial Trees was purchased for the family of William Carroll Wright.](https://www.lcpoitierfuneralhome.com/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518)

January 03, 2022 at 11:44 AM



“ A really good man! I never heard a harsh word from him. My love and condolences to his family.

Sally Price - January 02, 2022 at 06:05 PM

BW

“ *Bob & Karen Williams purchased the Sweet Sincerity for the family of William Carroll Wright.*



Bob & Karen Williams - January 02, 2022 at 05:12 PM

BW

“ *44 files added to the album Life Moments*



Billy Wright - January 02, 2022 at 02:45 PM

PH

“ *Bill was one of Dave and Pat Harris families dearest friends. Junior High, High School on the basketball team, Girlfriends, Marriages, Hunting in Okeechobee, Camping and Fire Department Families together. Bill was always there as a friend with anything that needed to be done and was truly dedicated to the Deerfield Beach Fire Department. We will truly miss him.*

Pat Harris - January 02, 2022 at 01:08 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of William Carroll Wright.*



January 02, 2022 at 01:08 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of William Carroll Wright.*



January 02, 2022 at 12:13 PM



“ *Bill was loved by many and was a hard-working man. I am saddened by his loss and I thank him for two of the greatest gifts that he gave me our children Jeannie and Billy. I know he is no longer in pain and I know he's with his parents and prior loved ones. Rest in peace. Mary Jean*



Mary Jean Copeland - January 02, 2022 at 12:11 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of William Carroll Wright.*



January 02, 2022 at 10:57 AM