



Teddie Dewey Wright Sr.

May 14, 1940 - March 15, 2015

Teddie (Ted) Dewey Wright passed away at his home in Shelby Township, Michigan on Sunday, March 15, 2015 at 10:51 a.m. at the age of 74.

Ted is survived by his loving wife Wanda (Tuck) of 55 years. They were married in Lafayette, Tennessee on June 3, 1959. Ted is lovingly remembered by his brother Ray (partner Ken), two sons Steven Allen (Sandra) Wright, Ted (Nancy) Wright Jr. and daughter Sandra Lee (Tom) Deschamps, grandchildren Heide (Mike), Holly, Hillary (finance' Mark), Matthew (Danielle), Amy, Mary and Lynn. He will be missed by his six beautiful and vibrant great grandchildren Zachary Evan, Olivia Marie, Isabella Rose, Hughett Allen, Michael Teddie and Savannah Lee and long-time friend Darrell Frye.

Ted was born in Lafayette, Tennessee May 14, 1940 to the late Dewey and Virgie May (Dyer) Wright. He was preceded in death by his twin Eddie, his brothers Kenny and Kyler, sisters Monie Rea and Barbara Dean. Growing up in Macon County on the Kentucky/Tennessee border, he attended school in a one room school house. He went to Indiana at the age of 14 to pick tomatoes to help support his family and in 1956 headed to Detroit to work at B & E Clutch Company rebuilding automotive, truck and industrial clutches. In 1959, he returned to Tennessee to marry his childhood sweetheart, Wanda. The newlyweds returned to Detroit and remained together until his death. Ted worked for Warrick Clutch from 1959 to 1966. He was a great mechanic and machinist and in 1966, founded Ted's Clutch Rebuilders in the garage of his Detroit home. He later obtained a building at Grand River and Marlowe in

Detroit and ran his business for the next 40 years. Ted never really retired continuing to work for Steven A. Wright, P.C. until months before his death. Ted enjoyed spending time at the casinos of Detroit, Windsor, Toledo, Cleveland and Las Vegas. In January, Ted spent a few days playing video poker in Las Vegas and thoroughly enjoyed a helicopter ride through the Grand Canyon. He was a Detroit Sports Fan with a passion for the Detroit Tigers and Red Wings. He loved being active in the lives of his children, grand children and great grandchildren.

Visitation Wednesday 2-9 PM with a 7:00 PM Rosary at the Wasik Funeral Home, Inc. 49150 Schoenherr rd. (n. of 22 Mile Rd.), Shelby Twp. Instate Thursday 11:30 am until Noon Funeral Mass at St. Lawrence Catholic Church 44633 Utica Rd. (s. of Hall Rd), Utica. Interment Resurrection Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Resurrection Cemetery

18201 Clinton River Rd
Clinton Township, MI 48038
(586) 286-9020

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 18. 2:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Wasik Funeral Home, Shelby Township
49150 Schoenherr Rd.
Shelby Township, MI 48315
(586) 532-8600
shelby@wasikfuneralhome.com

Rosary

MAR 18. 7:00 PM (ET)

Wasik Funeral Home, Shelby Township
49150 Schoenherr Rd.
Shelby Township, MI 48315
(586) 532-8600
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Instate at Church

MAR 19. 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Lawrence
44633 Utica Rd
Utica, Mi

Funeral Mass

MAR 19. 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Lawrence
44633 Utica Rd
Utica, Mi

Tribute Wall

PO

“ You are all in our thoughts and prayers at this difficult time.
Hugs to you all!
Richard & Patty

Patty O'Brien - March 18, 2015 at 06:47 PM

JK

“ Jerry & Opal Klein lit a candle in memory of
Teddie Dewey Wright Sr.



Jerry & Opal Klein - March 18, 2015 at 10:25 AM

BH

“ Words cannot express the way I feel about the passing of our beloved Teddy Dewey Wright Sr. I will share some of my fond memories of him. He always would say to me "Bobbie what are we going to with them and if I had all your money I wouldn't know what to do with it and also do you have them straightened out yet." Another favorite of mine was when he would call his wife Wanda (Wondie) in that southern accent of his. A family man through and through his wife Wanda, children, grandchildren and great grandchildren were his life. He will be missed by all who knew him. His passing has left a empty place in my heart and I will always remember our times at the casino when I would visit him and Wanda. I am very Thankful that I was able to spend this past week with them. May you rest in peace.

Bobbie Halberg

Bobbie Halberg - March 17, 2015 at 10:58 PM

BW

“ *Barbara Wright- euthon lit a candle in memory of Teddie Dewey Wright Sr.*



barbara wright-euthon - March 17, 2015 at 07:39 PM

KW

“ *Karen Walker sent a virtual gift in memory of Teddie Dewey Wright Sr.*



Karen Walker - March 17, 2015 at 11:47 AM

KW

“ *Karen Walker lit a candle in memory of Teddie Dewey Wright Sr.*



Karen Walker - March 17, 2015 at 11:46 AM

KW

“ *To The Wright Family, We are so sorry for your loss prayer and our thoughts are with you at this time. He will be missed deeply.. love from the Walker Family..*

Karen Walker - March 17, 2015 at 11:45 AM

ED

“ Dear Wanda,

I was so saddened to hear from my sister, Mary Ann Smith, of the passing of your beloved husband, Ted. He was such a nice man. Ted was so friendly & funny; just a regular guy. He will be missed by many. He fought the good fight and is now experiencing eternal peace and happiness with Our Lord and his loved ones. May Our Lord comfort you and your family during this difficult time.

Blessings,

Elaine Dale

Elaine Dale - March 17, 2015 at 11:06 AM

LL

“ *Lisa And Jim Lycett lit a candle in memory of
Teddie Dewey Wright Sr.*



Lisa and Jim Lycett - March 17, 2015 at 09:38 AM

TS

“ *Trish Spencer lit a candle in memory of
Teddie Dewey Wright Sr.*



Trish Spencer - March 16, 2015 at 08:13 PM



“ He would always tell me to stay out of trouble and quit that drankin..It aint no good...he'd say Our last conversation he reinterated once more."..Be Good"... i loved this man so much... I pray for the entire family;s strength..especially Aunt Wanda I Love You All

Faye West - March 16, 2015 at 08:01 PM

MK

“ Margaret Wright Kleiman lit a candle in memory of Teddie Dewey Wright Sr.



Margaret Wright Kleiman - March 16, 2015 at 07:14 PM

JS

“ There was never a moment when I wasn't laughing while around Ted Sr. I think he found my laughter at what he was saying funnier than the actual reason that I was laughing in the first place. Although I had not seen him in years, I always looked at him as a very important person in my life while growing up in the old neighborhood. Ted, may you rest in peace.

Joe Savickas

Joe Savickas - March 16, 2015 at 06:33 PM

BA

“ He loved his family first and foremost, he was kind, considerate, respectful, an at times comical which made us all love him more, he will be sadly missed by anyone that knew him. We Love you, Ted - Gone but never forgotten.

Bridget (Clark) Abrahamson - March 16, 2015 at 02:51 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Teddie Dewey Wright Sr..*



March 16, 2015 at 02:31 PM



“ *There are so many good memories with grandpa it's hard to post a single moment. I will never forget riding on his lap while he mowed the lawn and the time he dressed as a gorilla for Halloween. He would always kiss my cheek when saying goodbye and say " Don't step on any dead snakes. " I love you grandpa and I will do my best to never step on a dead snake!*

Holly Wright - March 16, 2015 at 11:41 AM



Beautifully written -was so interesting to read a glimpse into his life. May his memory be eternal.

sheli - March 16, 2015 at 12:01 PM

DC

There was never a time when I was around Ted , that he wasn't laughing and telling me " if I had your money " little did he know I probably didn't have two dimes to rub together at that time. Ted loved to tell me jokes. Most of them he had told me several times before. One time when I was about twelve yrs. Of age I stayed with Ted and Wanda one summer. Ted and Wanda had went out with some friends and I babysitted the kids. They told me not to let anyone in the house and I didn'tt ! however , the neighbors kids did order a pizza and we all sat on the front porch and had a pizza party . I was quick to clean up all the evidence and would have gotten away with it had I NOT left the flood lights on. Never the less , that is the one and only time that I know of that Ted got upset with me. Last but Not least...I 'll never forget how worried and concerned Ted was for Walter and Me when we almost lost our home due to no fault of our own. I think him and Wanda. Worried Steve about it. Ted was a good husband, farther, grand and great grand farther,. Family ment everything to him. To know him is to love him ! And I am blessed to have been a small part of his family. Ted you will be remembered and missed by All that was blessed enough to have known you. Till we meet again... R. I. P. ..". Love Dean Cook and Walter.

Dean Cook - March 16, 2015 at 02:46 PM

MP

My favorite memory of Ted was when he, Wanda, Hartford and I would meet at the community center, a.k.a. MGM. He would come to me and say "hey, making all that money. If I had your money I could be here every day." Then he would either talk about how bad the machines were playing or about the Tigers. Hartford and he would sit in the Clear, smoke free poker room, and have their private talks. When Hartford had a serious illness, he and Wanda would call daily to see how he was doing. Even this past month when Hartford had to have a painful test, he was asking about how Hartford was. Ted, we will never forget you. You and Wanda have been our faithful friends for the past 15 years. Rest i peace knowing that you touched a lot of lives while on this earth! Hartford Smith - Mary Ann Piekosz

Mary Ann Piekosz - March 18, 2015 at 09:25 AM