



## Wendall Douglas Wright

February 14, 1930 - April 8, 2016

Wendall Douglas Wright, 86, of Vermontville, died peacefully on Friday, April 08, 2016. Wendall was born February 14, 1930 in Chester Township, the son of Don and Veda (Larabee) Wright. He worked 37 years for Fisher Body, retiring in 1987. He was talented working with his hands, making cabinets, woodcrafts, and even a heart shaped window that they lit at night so all could see. Wendall enjoyed supporting his wife, Dema, always going along to help her, whether it was her work in the community, delivering wedding cakes or helping at their flower shop Grandma's Greenery. One of the family's favorite memories was their family trip to California together in 1967. Above all, Wendall loved his family, especially time spent with his grandchildren.

He is survived by three daughters, Rae (Larry) Swan, Dawn (Mike) Meade, and Lee (Steve) Augustine; son, Eric (Marilyn) Wright; 10 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; brother, Larry (Patti) Wright; and sisters, Phyllis Bothwell and Patty Butler. He was predeceased by his wife, Dema Wright in 2011.

Visitation will be held from 3:00 – 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 13, 2016 at Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte. A private family graveside will take place at Gresham Cemetery. Friends and family are encouraged to share memories of Wendall on his tribute page at [www.prayfuneral.com](http://www.prayfuneral.com). The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home.



# Cemetery Details

## **Gresham Cemetery**

4100 Mulliken Rd  
Charlotte, MI 48813

# Tribute Wall



“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Wendall Douglas Wright*



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - April 12, 2016 at 05:50 PM

DR

“ *28 years ago this last February I was working on thee line at Fisher Body in Lansing were Wendall and I worked and he came up to me and asked why was I still here? He said my wife called a little while ago and said that she was in labor and that I was suppose to go home and take her to the hospital. we couldn't find the boss so he told me to take off and he would run my job and take the responsibility for letting me go. Everything went fine and I never forgot him. But I only knew him by his first name so I didn't know how to find him. I always wanted to talk to him again but this is how things go sometimes. Goodbye Wendall I will never forget you.*

Don Ross - April 12, 2016 at 06:30 PM

TA

*Thank you so much for your story about our Grandpa. I love hearing how he touched so many people's lives in so many ways. Unfortunately I have not heard many stories about Grandpa at work and would love to know more about that part of his life. I hope more people from Fisher Body either leave stories or come to his visitation today.*

Terrance Augustine - April 13, 2016 at 11:48 AM

RS

*He used to come home and tell us about all the wonderful foods that would show up during the holidays... There were many different ethnicities and the foods reflected that. There was this one time that one of the fellows brought a small bottle of these little green things (I think they were green). Anyway, they looked pretty harmless and Dad seldom turned down food. Well, these things were still giving him problems two days later. First time he'd ever had jalapeños.... I think he got the guy to give him a few to bring home. I didn't try them... maybe Eric was brave enough.*

rae swan - April 13, 2016 at 03:37 PM



“ 39 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - April 12, 2016 at 05:40 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Wendall Douglas Wright.



April 12, 2016 at 03:33 PM

RS

“ 8 files added to the tribute wall



Rae Swan - April 11, 2016 at 04:04 PM

LE

*I don't ever remember him playing the organ*

Lee - April 12, 2016 at 03:19 PM

RS

*He did.... lots.... he was no Aunt Dorothy, but he played enough to hum along with*

rae swan - April 13, 2016 at 03:39 PM

DK

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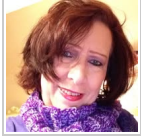


Denise Kendra - April 09, 2016 at 08:16 PM

RS

*The wagons we rode on as kids were never that clean*

Rae Swan - April 11, 2016 at 04:38 PM



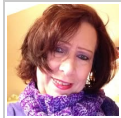
“ So sorry for your loss. It sounds like he had a wonderful life that he enjoyed. I am wondering if this is the same Wendall that knew my older sisters (Griest), we lived on Sheldon Street in Charlotte. I have some old photos of him I think.

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**Carolyn Griest-Makin** - April 09, 2016 at 08:18 AM

DK

Carolyn - Yes your mother did know him. His other sibs were Betty, Lester, Esther, Dewayne and Carol. I think they were all neighborhood friends.

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**Denise Wright Kendra** - April 09, 2016 at 06:57 PM



Thank you Denise! Where has time gone.....you use to be the little girl across from us. How is your Mom?

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**Carolyn Griest-Makin** - April 09, 2016 at 08:15 PM

RR

Wendall was my intermittent man at Fisher Body. I was 7 month pregnant and worked in a pit, needless to say I made him work for his pay having to go to the restroom constantly. One day he decided to put a bench next to my job and park there so he would be right there when I needed him. After my son was born he bought him a silverware set with his initials on them Needless to say I loved Wendall and I am so sorry for your loss. He was a very special man.

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**Roxanne Rappuhn** - April 10, 2016 at 01:01 PM



I'am so sorry to here about Wendall he was the only one that call him a reale Man he was my friend and i he will be miss by many people thay knew him what a great guy Wendall i will miss you my You Rest In Peace my friend

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**Matt Silvas** - April 10, 2016 at 10:29 PM