



Gary Wright

January 17, 1967 - April 26, 2026

Dateline: Alton, IL

Gary Wright, 59, died at 6:12 p.m. on Sunday, April 26, 2026 surrounded by his family and loved ones at his residence after a long battle with type one diabetes. He was born January 17, 1967 in Champaign, IL, the son of the late Jack and Sandra (York) Wright. Gary graduated from Central High School in Champaign, IL and he worked for American Water Company as a plant operator for many years. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, guns and crossbows, motorcycles and the Chicago Bears. On October 24, 2020 in Las Vegas, NV he married Marilyn Payton and she survives. Also surviving are one son, Cole Wright, two step sons, Michael Anthony Young and Sette Randle (Reshelle) and one step daughter, Feleshia Payton, five grandchildren and one special granddaughter, Bebop, one twin brother, Terry Wright (Missy) and two sisters, Pam Tate (Sam) and Linda Franklin and a special nephew, Cameron Lee Wright, and numerous other nieces and nephews and his three dogs, Bleu, G.G., and Charlie. Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by one daughter, Caitlyn Wright and two stepsons, Tyler Randle and Vernon Randle, two brothers, Danny Wright and Robbie Wright. Visitation will be Thursday, April 30, 2026 from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at Gent Funeral Home in Alton. Additional information and online guestbook may be found at www.gentfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **30**. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Gent Funeral Home Inc
2409 State Street
Alton, IL 62002
(618) 466-5544
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Tribute Wall

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“ *Gonna miss you big brother. Love you*



Pam Tate - April 29 at 07:49 PM

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“ *Gary Wright you were more like a real brother to me ..fishing, going to cabin, working at Long John silvers ..we had a lot of fun times in the 80s will never forget you ..no more pain from that ugly diabetes .. rest Easy Gary you will be missed by so many.. ..you will be a amazing angel 🙏 ... 💔🙏💔 PS ..now you can eat those Dunkin Donuts you loved... RIP...*

Dana Wright - April 28 at 05:59 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Gary Wright.*



April 28 at 05:35 PM

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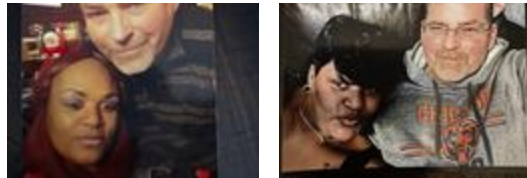
“ Sending my sincerest condolences to the family of Gary. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. May you find comfort in the love and memories you shared.



Shannon Isadore-Parker - April 28 at 04:15 PM

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“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Missy - April 28 at 01:52 PM

DA

Sending my heartfelt prayers and condolences, to you and your family at this difficult time. Sorry for your loss.

Danielle.Stone - April 28 at 05:03 PM