



## John M. Wright

November 16, 1933 - October 8, 2021

John M. Wright, 87, died at 2:46 a.m. Friday, October 8, 2021 at Alton Memorial Hospital. Born November 16, 1933 in Godfrey, he was the son of LeRoy and Mae (Barton) Wright. Mr. Wright served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War and was a member of St. Ambrose Catholic Church in Godfrey. After his military service, John worked for McDonnell Aircraft as a flight line mechanic and also owned his own business. He retired from Yellow Freight System as a driver/safety director in 1990. He was an avid hunter, fisherman and car enthusiast. Mr. Wright was a member of Teamsters Local 100, American Legion #126, VFW Post 1308, the Piasa Masonic Lodge #27 A.F. & A.M., and the Alton Moose Lodge. He was also a Shriner (Alton Chapter) and a member of the Scottish Rite. On June 1, 1957 he married the former Betty J. Boschert at SS Peter & Paul Catholic Church in Alton. They enjoyed 64 years of marriage. She survives. Also surviving are two daughters, Pam Bauer and her companion, Doug Hunt of Brighton, and Bonnie Norris (Kenneth) of Jerseyville, four grandchildren, Steven Bauer (Jackie), Olivia Norris, Emily Norris, and Clark Norris, and his beloved dog, Missy. Along with his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Victor Wright and a son-in-law, David Bauer. A memorial Mass will be held at 10:00 a.m. Friday, May 19, 2023 at St. Ambrose Catholic Church in Godfrey. Father Steve Janoski will officiate. Burial will be at St. Patrick's Cemetery in Godfrey with full military honors. Memorials may be made to American Disabled Veterans or St. Ambrose Catholic Church. Gent Funeral Home in Alton is in charge of

arrangements. Online guestbook and information may be found at [www.gentfuneralhome.com](http://www.gentfuneralhome.com)

## Cemetery Details

### St. Patrick's Cemetery

2801 Greenwood Lane  
Godfrey, IL 62035

## Previous Events

### Memorial Service

MAY **19**. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Ambrose Catholic Church  
820 West Homer Adams Pkway  
Godfrey, IL 62035

# Tribute Wall



“ *John M. Wright*

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January 28, 2023 at 10:19 AM



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January 28, 2023 at 08:19 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of John M. Wright.*



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October 12, 2021 at 02:15 PM

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“ John and my Uncle Joe Waters were great long time friends one of my best memories Joe came to the ranch house for breakfast wearing a New York Yankees ball cap none of us said anything we just got up grabbed our plates and moved to a different table John and I laughed about this memory quite a few times

Another one I was living in Godfrey at the time and the zoning administrator nailed a notice to get a building permit on my front door with a 10 penny nail at the advice of Joe Waters and John wright I took my door off the hinges and went to the town hall meeting that night John showed up with both of his pockets filled with \$100 bills he told me do whatever you got to do kid I'll get you out of jail

I will always remember John for the relationship he had with my uncle for always having a firm handshake and a gentle smile he will be missed by anybody that knew him so godspeed John Wright

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**Jerry Waters** - October 11, 2021 at 07:45 PM