



John Eugene Wright

April 4, 1935 - March 28, 2021

John Eugene Wright of Cadillac formerly of Alma, Louisville, Fort Collins, Colorado, and Chatsworth, Fountain Valley and Mira Mesa, California passed away Sunday, March 28, 2021 at his home. He was 85.

John was born on April 4, 1935 in Alma, Michigan to Charles L. & Velma R. (Farrough) Wright. John was a 1953 graduate of Alma High School. He attended Orange County California Community College in 1989. He was employed by Central Division Consumers Power Company Electrical Engineering Department from 1955 through 1959. He served one year as Treasurer of the Central Division Consumers Power Company Employees Credit Union.

In 1959 John began a long career in residential and commercial construction beginning in Alma and on to Louisville and Fort Collins, Colorado and Chatsworth, California capping his career off in 1989.

John served periodically on the boards of the Church of Religious Science of Boulder, Colorado. He was a retired member of Cadillac Elks Lodge #680, the Cadillac Community Chorus, the Cadillac Footliters, and the Cadillac Symphony Orchestra. As a member of Cadillac's First Congregational Church-UCC, he served years on the Board of Trustees and presided as Treasurer. There, he was also active in promoting the entertaining series, "Evening of

Music, and charity concerts. John was also a long time member of Lakewood on the Green Dinosaurs Golf League.

In 2003, with the assistance of two former Alma High School classmates, he originated the ongoing Alma Schools All Class Reunion Weekend with current membership of nearly 3,600. In 2015 he originated a popular companion Alma School Alumni website.

In 2012 John fulfilled a lifelong dream to write detective fiction novels. Available in ebook format and paperback, he self published an eight-book series, plus one non-fiction political novel and two short novellas.

Survivors include his children: Roxanne Wright, Leianne Wright, Terianne Wright, John Wright and Joseph Wright; 11 grandchildren and several great grandchildren; His life partner, Ruth Rounds; and a half brother, Robert Rhodes.

In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by a daughter, Lorianne Wright Wamoff.

Memorial services will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, it is John's request that memorial contributions may be made to your local Salvation Army. An online guestbook is available at www.petersonfh.com.

Tribute Wall

RW

“ From his booming voice as he made a point, to his gentle singing a Country song, while playing guitar, that was my Dad. He worked with his hands, and was very artistic, tooling leather, wood burning pictures and painting them. Daddy was a Photographer, and a Sports Fan. When ever he went to a Baseball Game, he always got a Hot Dog and a Pop. He was a funny guy! A comedian, but also had an infectious laugh! Opinionated, yet very knowledgeable. Liked things done a particular way, was the Boss Man on the jobsites he was in charge of. Daddy'
s favorite Holiday Meal was: Ham, scalloped potato'
s and creamed corn.
Favorite everyday meal: Pizza, Hamburger'
s, Chili.
Favorite Sweets: Chocolate Chip Cookies, Ice Cream, Fruit Pie'
s.
I'
ll miss you Daddy! Love, Rox
BTW I will get your last book out~
IMO it'
s a real good one!

Roxanne Wright - August 17, 2021 at 05:05 PM

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Very bullseye, Rox. I've forwarded your message to both J.Canyon and Kai... carrying on Daddy's legacy.

Leianne F Wright - June 01, 2022 at 08:02 PM

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“ Although we never met in person, I have known John for more than 30 years. We belonged to the same AOL Chat group and Email group since 1991. We continued our relationship via Email and telephone and I thoroughly enjoyed everything John wrote and said. He was always my bright spot in my day. I will dearly miss his wit, his perspectives on life and his knowledge that he was so eager to share. RIP my friend. YOu will be missed.

Alan Sherman - June 23, 2021 at 06:17 PM

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“ I never met Jw in real life, but spent 25 years knowing him through email discussion and, then, facebook. He was ever the gentleman, kind, and politically savvy. He will be missed greatly.

Tonya Haley - June 23, 2021 at 02:59 PM

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“ My condolences to Ruth, her family and all who loved him, especially my four daughters: Roxanne Gerdes, Leianne Wright, Terianne Parks, Lorianne Wamhoff. I'm sure Lorianne was present to welcome John on the other side.
Respectfully, Margaret Upp

Margaret Upp - April 11, 2021 at 01:53 PM

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“ When i mentioned to Daddy that i am smoking cigarettes now and then, his response was Well, you only have one set of lungs.-

Leianne F Wright - April 09, 2021 at 10:54 PM

ML

“ While, we didn't know John - we love all his daughters ! We are So saddened by his passing and ask that God provide them (and all those who love him) with His Peace and comfort. With much love.

Mr and Mrs Phil Lumsden - April 05, 2021 at 07:57 AM

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“ John was a man of many talents and interests. He was a great story teller and, though he had lived in many interesting places, his stories were always about people. His love of stories and character were evident in his writing, but there he also enjoyed writing about exotic locations in stunning detail. Where did he learn all that? As the obituary says, John was a tireless worker for his church, serving on the Board of Trustees and as Treasurer. I have several publicity posters on my walls, evoking fond memories of the concerts that he organized over the years.

John and I were polar opposites politically. Over the years we had many discussions- about this, always good-natured and never allowing them to harm our friendship or our mutual respect. In recent years John and I have not spent much time together and I believe that was due to the toxic nature politics has acquired in recent years. I regret that this happened and suggest that there may be a lesson here for all of us.

Robin Corbin - March 31, 2021 at 04:59 AM

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“ Know your priorities.-
- Daddy

Leianne F Wright - March 30, 2021 at 07:19 AM