



Deacon Willie Wright

February 10, 1943 - April 29, 2026

Deacon Willie Wright passed away peacefully on Wednesday, April 29, 2026, surrounded by his loving family.

Willie was born on February 10, 1943, in Tillman, South Carolina, to the late Nathaniel Wright, Sr. and Rosena McNeil Wright. He was the second of their children. In pursuit of greater opportunities, his parents migrated from the segregated Low Country to Stamford, Connecticut, where Willie was raised.

At the age of 10, Willie began his education at Stevens Elementary School, later attending Cloonan Middle School. Known for his focus and commitment, he graduated from Stamford High School in 1961. That same year, Willie enlisted in the United States Air Force, where he served honorably for several four years. His assignments included Mississippi, Germany, and Pakistan, and he was honorably discharged in 1965.

Upon returning to civilian life, Willie began a long and dedicated career with the United States Postal Service. He served faithfully in both Stamford and Norwalk, Connecticut, holding various positions throughout his tenure. In June 2000, he retired after 38 years of exemplary service.

On June 10, 1967, Willie married the love of his life, Yvonne Epps. Their union of nearly 59 years was a testament to enduring love and commitment. From

this union, they were blessed with one daughter, Angela Monique Wright.

Willie accepted Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior as a teenager and lived a life rooted in faith. He joined Union Baptist Church under the leadership of Reverend Charles Sergeant. In 1973, he was ordained as a deacon under Dr. Robert W. Perry, serving faithfully until 1984.

He later became a founding member of Friendship Baptist Church in Stamford, Connecticut, under the leadership of Reverend Clarence B. Whitehead, followed by Reverend William A. Rogers. There, Willie served diligently in many roles, including Deacon, Treasurer, and Choir Member, offering his time and talents wholeheartedly until the church dissolved in 2016.

He then joined North Stamford Community Church and, in 2023, returned to Union Baptist Church, where he continued his faithful walk with Christ.

Willie was also a devoted member of St. John's Lodge F & A.M. and Eastern Star No. 303, where he served faithfully until his health declined.

Known for his kind, quiet, and friendly spirit, Willie enjoyed sports—especially football, basketball, and tennis—and was a loyal fan of the New York Giants. He had a deep love for classic gospel and spiritual music, with a special fondness for The Temptations.

Willie leaves to cherish his memory his beloved wife, Yvonne Wright; his devoted daughter, Angela Wright; one grandson, Tre' Jordan Wilson (Maggie); one bonus granddaughter, Jai'la Dobbins; two brothers, Clarence Wright (Margaret) and Nathaniel Wright, Jr. (Shirley); one niece, Rita Wright-Peyton (Bernard); one nephew, Jason Wright (April); and three great-nephews, Bryan Peyton, Anthony Wright, and Jaylen Wright.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Nathaniel and Rosena Wright, and his niece, Verna R. Wright.

Visitation will be held on Friday, May 8th, 2026, from 10:00 AM- 11:00 AM follow by a service of celebration at 11:00 AM at Union Baptist Church 805 Newfield Ave, Stamford, CT.

Interment will follow at Spring Grove Cemetery in Darien.

Cemetery Details

Spring Grove Cemetery

41 Hecker Ave.
Darien, CT

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 8. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Union Baptist Church
805 Newfield Ave
Stamford, CT 06905-2998
(203) 322-0881

Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ Oliver W. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Deacon Willie Wright.

Oliver W. - May 16 at 11:23 AM

MW

“ Sending prayers and comfort to the Wright family. May Brother Wright rest in peace.

Monique Williams - May 07 at 08:19 AM

WD

“ To the Wright family, may God give you the peace that you seek and may the soul of your loved one rest in peace.

William - Elaine DuPree - May 04 at 11:41 PM

JP

“ To Mrs Wright and family I give my condolences. God Bless love Joy Poteau

Joy Poteau - May 04 at 06:28 PM