



# **James (Jimmy) A. Wright Jr.**

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**I**t is with a heavy heart that we announce the passing of Mr. James "Jimmy" Wright, 76, of Nashville.

Mr. Wright proudly served as a soldier in the U.S. Army from 1968-1970. He worked as a tire builder for many years which only fueled his love for cars. He spent many nights at the Union Hill dragstrip, and building a small collection of classic cars including his beloved Chevy II Nova.

Jimmy met his darling wife, Wanda, through a mutual friend on a blind date, and the rest was history. The two would have celebrated 45 years married this coming August.

Along with Mrs. Wanda, he is survived by his son, Brandon Gearlds (Victoria); one grandson, Jeremy Gearlds; one sister, Paulette Hill (Jimmy); one brother, Mark Wright (Linda); several nieces and nephews; and special friends Larry East, Terry Nolan, and Ricky Morris.

Along with his parents, Martha Hunt Wright and James Wright Sr., he is preceded in death by one sister, Donna Bower; two nephews, Jeffrey Bower and Kenny Wright; and his precious companion, Honey.

Arrangements entrusted to Spring Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery, 5110 Gallatin Pike, Nashville, TN 37216, 615-865-1101, [www.springhillfh.com](http://www.springhillfh.com).





# Events

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## Graveside

 **Tuesday**, April 15, 2025


 2:00 AM CT

 **Historic Spring Hill Cemetery**  
5110 Gallatin Road, Nashville TN 37216

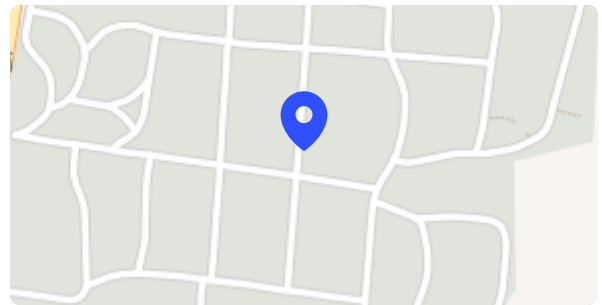


## Visitation

 **Tuesday**, April 15, 2025

 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM CT

 **Spring Hill Funeral Home**  
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## Tribute Wall

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I'd like to respectfully send my condolences to Jimmy's family and friends. I just received the news of his passing today. I met Jimmy as a soldier in Vietnam. He arrived about a month after I did. At first, we were riflemen but soon grew tired of walking point and performing all sorts of details. Some openings came up for the machine gun team for which Jimmy and I volunteered for. He became the machine gunner, and I was his ammo bearer. We were always together as teammates. Jimmy and I would pass the time by talking about cars as we were both car guys. I had never been to Nashville, so he told me a lot about it. He would tell me things like he would occasionally see Roy Orbison driving by in his Corvette. I thought that was so cool as I was a big fan of Roy's. Jimmy and I fought side-by-side until I was promoted to a position in the rear. I think Lysle Mathews replaced me as ammo bearer. Jimmy gave me his civilian clothes he wore while on R&R to take back to the states when I went home and I sent them to the address he provided. I wrote to him a few times but never received a reply. I have fond thoughts and memories of Jim and will keep him in my prayers. Here is a link to a uTube video that if you stop at 35-36 seconds in, the three guys you see from left to right are: me, Hector Hernandez, and Jimmy on the left. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BLnlmuOzCAE> Here are some photos I have of him from Vietnam: Jimmy looking at Nui Ba Dinh while riding in a Huey Helicopter; Jimmy and Sgt. Lowell Brown; Jimmy at an awards ceremony in Tay Ninh base camp; Jimmy and I just before heading out on a mission taken at Fire Support Base Crook circa 1970.



February 17 at 3:37 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Florist Choice Bouquet to the Wright family.



April 12 at 12:34 PM



**Anonymous** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of James (Jimmy).



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# Media

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Join us in honoring James (Jimmy) by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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