



## T.W. Wright

December 13, 1945 - May 26, 2016

T.W. Wright, age 70 of Carroll, died Thursday, May 26, 2016 at the University of Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha, Nebraska.

Mass of the Christian Burial will be celebrated at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 1, 2016 at St. Lawrence Catholic Church in Carroll. Con-Celebrants will be Fr. Craig Collison, Fr. Brian Feller, and Fr. Robert Gralapp. Music will be by Kate Cuddy and the St. Lawrence Choir with Jake Gute as cantor. Lector and Eucharistic Minister for the funeral mass will be Phil Phillips. Gift Bearers will be: Sydnie, Ethan, Ella, and Joe Pottebaum. Casket Bearers will be: Barry Bruner, Steve Kock, Glenn Erps, Doug Gute, Matt Pottebaum, and Nick Pottebaum. Burial will be in Holy Family Cemetery near Lidderdale with military honors conducted by the Carroll American Legion.

Friends may call at the Sharp Funeral Home in Carroll after 5 p.m. on Tuesday where there will be a Christian Wake Service at 7 p.m.

The casket will be moved to St. Lawrence Church on Wednesday where visitation will resume at 12:30 p.m. and continue until time of the funeral mass.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of the Sharp Funeral Home in Carroll and online condolences may be left for T.W.'s family at [www.sharpfuneral.com](http://www.sharpfuneral.com).

Born on December 13, 1945 in Atlantic, Iowa, T.W. was the son of Walter and Opal Mae (Peters) Wright. He grew up in the Atlantic, Lewis, and Griswold area before moving to Council Bluffs. T.W. worked at Jenny Edmundson Hospital and later joined the United States Army in 1970. He served during Vietnam and was a “tunnel rat.” T.W. was honorably discharged in 1974 with the rank of Supply Sargent.

He then attended the Studio Academy of Art in Omaha, Nebraska where he met his future wife Yvonne Rotert of Lidderdale, Iowa. They were united in marriage on January 28, 1978. The couple moved to Carroll in 1980 and established “Wright Arts and Signs.” In 1981, T.W. began working for the Post Office until his retirement in 1995.

T.W. served as a Service Officer for 20 years with the American Legion and the V.F.W. He loved gambling at the casinos in Council Bluffs. He was a member of the Carroll American Legion, V.F.W. and Disabled Veterans where he served in various capacities within each organization. T.W. was also a member of St. Lawrence Church in Carroll. T.W. also loved drawing and feeding and watching the birds and squirrels in his backyard.

Left to celebrate his life is his wife Yvonne Wright of Carroll; his sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law: Marlene (Leon) Riesberg of Florence, AZ, Elaine Pottebaum of Carroll, Vernon (Shirley) Rotert of Marion, Bonnie Pottebaum of Carroll and Rayoma Rotert of Carroll; as well as many nieces, nephews, and other extended relatives.

T.W. was preceded in death by his parents; his parents-in-law, Joseph and Marie Rotert; and his brothers-in-law: Harold Rotert, Don Pottebaum, and Marty Pottebaum.



# Tribute Wall

JB

“ Yvonne:  
*Sorry to hear about T.W's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this sad time.*



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**Jerry Boger** - May 30, 2016 at 05:35 PM

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“ Yvonne and family: *We were saddened to read of T.W.'s passing. It was my pleasure to work with you both in my early days in Carroll. T.W. had a passion for his work and a true love and admiration for you, Yvonne. That was heartwarming. Our thoughts and prayers will be with you during the difficult days ahead. Sincerely, Wes & CJ Niles*

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**CJ Niles** - May 30, 2016 at 11:34 AM

WA

“ Yvonne - *you're in our thoughts and prayers. Love you! Berdine, Wanda, and Arden Herbers*

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**wanda** - May 29, 2016 at 08:50 PM

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“ TW was one of my best friends for 30+ years. *We talked about his Service which I applauded and we talked often of what it cost him. I visited him as he was at the VA as much as I could and prayed for His health or leave us without pain. He was always willing to listen and offer me guidance. I wish more people in Carroll knew him better. He worked with the Red Cross, and did his best. Bless all who need help.*

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**steven kock** - May 29, 2016 at 03:25 PM



“ *Heavenly Heights Bouquet was purchased for the family of T.W. Wright.*



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May 28, 2016 at 07:23 PM



“ *Charlie Tuna lit a candle in memory of T.W. Wright*



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**Charlie Tuna** - May 28, 2016 at 03:25 AM