



Thomas James Wiley Sr.

April 5, 1944 - January 25, 2024

Thomas (Tom) James Wiley, Sr. 79, asleep in the arms of Jesus, passed away Thursday, January 25, 2024 at Mercy Hospital in St. Louis, MO.

Thomas J. Wiley, Sr was born April 5, 1944 in Ft. Worth, TX to Helen and Calvin Wiley. As an only child Tommy spent a lot of his time on the farm in Springtown, TX with Ma and Pa Ritchey. In 1947, his mother married Emmett “Frank” Robinson and this began Tommy’s time as a “military brat,” allowing him to travel to several countries. The two that he talked about the most were Libya and Japan. Among his proudest moments were when he climbed to the top of Mt. Fuji and his school trip to Jerusalem, “The Holy Land” and the Pyramids in Egypt. Some of Dad’s lifelong hobbies were stamp collecting, trains and gardening. Tom graduated from Wichita Falls High School in 1962 and went on to Midwestern Bible college in Pontiac, Michigan where he met and married Rose Ross on July 9, 1966.

In 1977, Tom and Rose started Gateway Stamp, a sports memorabilia company. Hundreds of athletes, multiple presidents, and 1 former Soviet leader have all signed autographs for Gateway. This allowed Tom & Rose to become friends with the likes of Reggie Jackson, Pete Rose, Nolan Ryan, and many, many more.

Tom and Rose lived in Florissant for over 37 years. In 1998, they founded

Numatex, an oil exploration company based out of Poole, KY. They were proud residents of the Poole community for the past 15 years.

Tom was preceded in death by his mother Helen Robinson, Step-Father Frank Robinson and his father Calvin Wiley. Survivors: His loving wife of 47 years, Rose M. Wiley (Ross), brother John (Shirley) Wiley of Moore, OK, daughter Suzanne (Chad) Tesson of Florissant, MO, son Thomas J. Wiley, Jr "Chip" of Tampa, FL., daughter Jennifer (JW) Tashler of St. Charles, MO and son Jonathan (Shannon) Wiley of St. Charles, MO, grandchildren, Chad, Edie and Ella Tesson, Brendan Sharp, Dominic Tashler and Autumn Wiley and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins Wiley, Robinson, Ritchey, Sanders, Pearce and Scoggins.

Visitation: 9 to 10:30 a.m. Friday, February 9, 2024 followed by the funeral service at 10:30 a.m. at Archway Memorial Chapel and Funeral Home, 111 Taylor Rd., Hazelwood, MO 63042. Burial ceremony will follow at Bellefontaine Cemetery in St. Louis, MO. In lieu of flowers, Memorials/Donations to St. Jude Children's Hospital, Shriner's Children's Hospital or Wounded Warrior Project are preferred.

Cemetery Details

Bellefontaine Cemetery

4947 W Florissant Ave.
St. Louis, MO 63115

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 9. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Archway Memorial Chapel
111 Taylor Road
Hazelwood, MO 63042
(314) 895-3900
info@archwaychapel.com

Funeral Service

FEB 9. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Ken McGhee & Archway Staff lit a candle in memory of Thomas James Wiley Sr.



Ken McGhee & Archway Staff - February 08, 2024 at 05:06 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Thomas James Wiley Sr..



February 08, 2024 at 10:40 AM

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“ Schuler's Furniture Services planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas James Wiley Sr..

Schuler's Furniture Services - February 08, 2024 at 10:40 AM

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“ From Alaina O'Donnell & family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Thomas James Wiley Sr..



From Alaina O'Donnell & family - February 07, 2024 at 05:50 PM

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From Alaina O'Donnell & family - February 07, 2024 at 05:50 PM

CA

“ I was Tom's caregiver & I was so happy to meet this man..... So sweet, smart, & loving. We talked about his life & his loves..... HIS FAMILY. TOM LOVED YOU ALL SO MUCH as expressed on numerous occasions. Tom's mind was "BUSY".... he had soooo many more things he had to do... that he wanted to do & he was excited about these things. This made me happy.... Tom is smiling up there where he is I just know it That's who he was.... To me. To my friend Suzanne.... Thank you for allowing , trusting & choosing me to care for your dad. I wish u all God's peace & love ☐
☐ Love Always your friend Carmen Allen

Carmen Alley - February 07, 2024 at 01:37 PM

MP

“ Matt, Ellen, Abby Schutte and Joe Puls purchased the Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses for the family of Thomas James Wiley Sr..



Matt, Ellen, Abby Schutte and Joe Puls - February 01, 2024 at 06:18 PM