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July 21, 1934 – June 6, 2025

Shelton Willis Wright, beloved husband, father, and grandfather, passed away on June 6, 2025, at the age of 90. Born on July 21, 1934, in Detroit Michigan, he was the son of Charles Shelton Wright and Jean Ware.

Will attended Michigan State University where he met his wife Nancy Pershing Ryan, they married on June 15, 1957, beginning a partnership that would span nearly seven decades. Shortly after receiving his bachelor's degree, Will was commissioned as a Lieutenant in the U.S. Army. His military service brought him to New York, where he became a successful television producer in the advertising industry. The couple settled in Port Washington, where they have lived for over 60 years.

Will was a gifted photographer and avid outdoorsman. He was deeply involved in the Boy Scouts as his sons grew up, sharing his love of nature. Summers were spent in Pentwater Michigan, where he displayed his sailing talents by winning numerous races on Bass Lake; his sons & granddaughters continue this tradition.

An avid camera collector, Will combined his interests in photography and history as an editor of the Leica Historical Society, contributing to a community that shared his enthusiasm.

Will is survived by his beloved wife Nancy, three sons: William, Christopher, and Charles, as well as three granddaughters. He will be remembered for his warmth, curiosity, and enduring love for his family. He will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

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“ Reaching out with lots of love to all the Wrights.
Pentwater and Bass lake has so many fond memories... Your family is one of them....
My condolences.....
Amy Smith Szwabowicz

Amy Maxwell Szwabowicz - June 11, 2025 at 08:51 AM

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“ Uncle Will was one of my favorite Uncles! Very kind, always happy, very knowledgeable, and always a good teacher in life skills. He taught me how to sail, all about the woods and respecting nature. Very passionate about photography and the best photographer, I know. I'm so grateful to have known him 65 yrs ! Will also create good memories for my 4 children . What a blessing he was ! May he rest in peace now. We will love you for eternity and enjoy the good memories to share with generations. Love you so much, Barbara Wright Duke

Barbara Duke - June 10, 2025 at 04:59 PM

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“ I have great memories of time spent with Uncle Will. Jan and I send our love to Aunt Nancy and family. Tom Wright, Baton Rouge, LA

Tom Wright - June 10, 2025 at 04:14 PM