



William Wry

September 12, 1939 - April 4, 2026

Dr. William E. Wry, aged 86 years old, of St. Augustine, FL passed away April 4, 2026 in Jacksonville, FL surrounded by his family. He was born in Clinton, MA to E. Eldon Wry and Ruth Louise (Wheeler) Wry.

William had many passions. He was an educator for many years. He earned his Doctorate in Education. He also owned his own printing business in Berlin, MA. He was a volunteer firefighter for Bolton, MA. He worked part time for the Bolton Police Department as an officer and an EMT. William was also involved in any church he attended. He was a Choir Director, Sunday School Superintendant, Boys Brigade Leader, Youth Group Leader and was on multiple committees. He also enjoyed cooking. He would work in the summer at camps as a cook. He was well known for his oatmeal bread and pastries. William was a devoted husband and father.

William was predeceased in death by his parents, as well as his grandson, Tyler J. Wry.

He is survived by his wife of almost 61 years, Leona M. (Crossman) Wry; children, Ella-Marie and her husband Travis Ochowicz, Kurt W. and his wife January M. Wry and Lara L. Wry; grandchildren, Daniel W. Ochowicz, Paige M. and Blake Wry and Amari J. Brown.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, April 25th at 11 a.m. at Anastasia Baptist Church, 1650 A1A S St. St. Augustine, FL 32080.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Youth Investment/Timber Bay Central Services C/O Jeff and Tami Grams P.O. Box 316 or 1364 Hamel Rd. Medina, MN 55340-0316.

Previous Events

A Celebration of Life

APR 25. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (est)

Anastasia Baptist Church
1650 A1A South
St. Augustine, FL 32080

Tribute Wall

RT

“ Leona, I was so saddened to hear of Bill's passing. Please know that you're in our prayers. Judy and I were hoping to make it to the Memorial on Saturday, but unfortunately I had committed to my job already. I truly hope we can connect in the near future. Please reach out (863-604-4930) if you would like.

Love and hugs. ❤️❤️

Reva Thornton and Judy Collins

(Family of Hubert and Mary Collins) and your friends from Temple Baptist/Temple Christian School.

Reva Thornton - April 24 at 01:38 PM

RT

“ Reva T. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of William Wry.

Reva T. - April 24 at 01:22 PM

IM

“ Intact Ocean Marine planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of William Wry.

Intact Ocean Marine - April 20 at 01:23 PM

IM

“ Intact Ocean Marine purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of William Wry.



Intact Ocean Marine - April 20 at 01:23 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of William Wry.

April 10 at 06:07 PM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of William Wry.



April 10 at 06:07 PM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Jeff & Tami Grams - April 07 at 11:46 AM



Our connection with the Wry's was during their season at Chisago Lakes Baptist School. Bill was very kind, sincere, and his heart for the Lord and kids shone brightly. He had the aroma of Christ and an encouraging demeanor. Bill and Leon's partnership with our ministry at Timber Bay was such a blessing over the years. He will be missed!
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Jeff & Tami Grams - April 07 at 11:51 AM