



## Bun Lee Wright

October 14, 1936 - October 28, 2022

Bun Lee Wright was born October 14, 1936, in Muskogee, Oklahoma, to Robert Burton Wright and Lois Lena Martin Wright. He died Friday, October 28, 2022, in Tulsa, Oklahoma, at the age of 86 years. Bun completed his secondary education in Tahlequah, Oklahoma, and graduated with the Tahlequah High School Class of 1954. He was married April 10, 1955, in Tahlequah to Joyce Brown. Bun continued his education at Northeastern State University where he earned his Bachelor of Arts Degree and then his Master's Degree in Education. His first teaching assignment was in "speech" at Alice Robertson Elementary School in Tulsa, Oklahoma. He remained there for 11 years. He became an Assistant Principal at Lowell Elementary/Junior High School for two years. For the next twelve years he served as Principal at Addams Elementary, before returning to Robertson Elementary School for the next five years. Bun took early retirement from Tulsa Public Schools in 1987 after 30 years of service. He loved the children as well as their parents, and they loved him as well.

Bun was a very loving and caring person. He respected and loved his mother very much. During the last nine years of her life, while she resided in the nursing home, he visited her daily, reading her a devotional, talking about things that brought her fond memories, and keeping her up to date on the developments and accomplishments of her grandchildren.

He enjoyed a variety of pastimes, especially traveling. He and Joyce particularly enjoyed trips to Hawaii, Australia, and Alaska.

Bun was a strong man of faith, a Christian, and a wonderful husband, devoted father, and fond of his role as “Grandpa” to his grandchildren. He was a certified lay leader in the Methodist Church and taught a Sunday School class at Epworth United Methodist Church for over 30 years. He and Joyce had made their home in Owasso, Oklahoma, since 1998, and were faithful members of Central Baptist Church. Those he leaves behind who hold many cherished memories include:

His wife of over 67 years: Joyce of the home

Son: Ken Wright and wife Terri, of Garnett, Kansas

Daughter: Karen Lafitte, of Owasso, Oklahoma

Grandchildren: Ben Lafitte, of Owasso, Oklahoma

Jake Wright, of Garnett, Kansas

Jena Wright Ahring and husband Wes, of Garnett, Kansas

Matt Lafitte, of Tulsa, Oklahoma

Great grandchildren: Reena Ahring and Thia Ahring

He was preceded in death by his parents, Robert and Lois Wright

Visitation will be held from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 1, 2022, at Mowery Funeral Service in Owasso. Funeral service will be held at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, November 2, 2022, at the Mowery Funeral Service Chapel in Owasso with Pastor Kevin Laufer officiating. Serving as casket bearers will be Tim Gramly, Tom Weldon, Ed Hyde, David Gaede, David Kelsey, Richard Hall, and Leon Shade. A graveside service will be held at 1:00 Wednesday afternoon at the Tahlequah City Cemetery in Tahlequah, Oklahoma. The family requests memorial contributions be made in Bun’s name to the Children’s Program of Central Baptist Church, 9001 North 145th East Avenue, Owasso, Oklahoma, 74055. Arrangements and services were entrusted to Mowery Funeral Service of Owasso.

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# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 1. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Mowery Funeral Service  
9110 North Garnett Road  
Owasso, OK 74055

## Funeral Service

NOV 2. 10:00 AM (CT)

Mowery Funeral Service  
9110 N. Garnett Rd.  
Owasso, OK 74055  
(918) 272-6244  
<https://www.moweryfs.com/>

## Graveside Service

NOV 2. 1:00 PM (CT)

Tahlequah City Cemetery  
1251 West Fox Street  
Tahlequah, OK 74464

# Tribute Wall

MC

“ For most of us, there exists a small handful of teachers from our childhood who impacted your life so profoundly that you never forget them. Bun Wright was one of those for me. A true gentle soul who loved and blessed all of those who had the honor of knowing him.



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**Matt Cook** - August 01, 2023 at 09:42 AM

JN

“ My aunt Sue told me about Bun passing. I'm sorry for your loss and pray for your strength and peace.

*I am Ann Newman's daughter. I remember when your family would come visit my grandmother (Bobbie) in Webster. Your kindness left an impression on me, even in those short visits so many years ago.*

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**Julie Newman** - November 14, 2022 at 06:47 AM

JP

“ I always enjoyed chatting with Bun at the reception desk at the hospital where he volunteered and I visited for work. He was quite strong and chipper through rough times. Truly an inspiration.

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**Johnny Preston** - November 01, 2022 at 07:29 PM

DL

“ *Mr. Wright was my principal at Jane Adams in the 1970s. He always had a smile on his face when he greeted us nearly every morning. So glad he was such a positive influence in my young life! My condolences to the family.*

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**donna leutsch** - November 01, 2022 at 11:12 AM

DL

“ *Donna LEUTSch lit a candle in memory of Bun Lee Wright*



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**Donna LEUTSch** - November 01, 2022 at 11:04 AM

DL

“ *Mr. Wright was my principle at Jane Adams from aprox 1970 to 1977 K-6. He was always smiling and always kind to me. When I think of Jane Adams, I fondly think of Mr. Wright greeting his students nearly every morning. My condolences to the family.*

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**Donna Leutsch** - November 01, 2022 at 10:27 AM

LD

“ *Mr Wright was my principal at Jane Addams Elementary. My parents, like a lot of folks had some pretty serious problems, and some of my needs fell through the cracks. Mr Wright was incredibly kind to me. He made a huge difference in my life. I'll forever be grateful.*

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**Lisa Hayes Dannels** - October 31, 2022 at 09:59 PM

DJ

“ *Dana Johns lit a candle in memory of Bun Lee Wright*



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**Dana Johns** - October 31, 2022 at 09:54 PM

DJ

“ *I absolutely love Bun and seeing him on our floor at SJO always made me smile. I enjoyed visiting patients with him, he always made them smile and offered the most sincere individualized prayer. He has been greatly missed at the hospital. Bun will always hold a special place in my heart. Rest in peace*

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**Dana Johns** - October 31, 2022 at 09:40 PM