



David Wayne Wiley

June 25, 1962 - April 6, 2025

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of David Wayne Wiley, a beloved husband, father, grandfather, friend and businessman of Hillsboro, Missouri. David was born June 25, 1962 in Festus, Missouri to George “Wayne” Wiley and Betty (Gilliam) Howell and entered into rest Monday, April 7th, 2025. He is preceded in death by his parents, Wayne Wiley and Betty (Gilliam) Howell.

He is survived by his devoted wife of 40 years, Keena Wiley; his siblings Mark Wiley and Mary Beth Wiley Stanfield; his children, Amber Wiley-Brown, Breana (Mark) Melugin and Daniele (Benjamin Duran) Wiley; his cherished grandchildren, Javen, Benjamin, Oliver, Kora-Vae and Jackson, along with numerous other extended family and friends.

David’s greatest passions in life were his family, his children, and his deep love for music and history. Known for his quick wit and infectious sense of humor, he had a gift for making people laugh and feel at ease in his presence. His warmth, curiosity, and unwavering love will be remembered by all who had the pleasure of knowing him. David will be deeply missed and forever held in our hearts.

Visitation will be held on Monday, April 14th, 2025 from 2:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. at ROBERT BROWN CHAPEL, 103 4th Street, Hillsboro, MO 63020.

Funeral Ceremony will be held on Monday, April 14th, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. at ROBERT BROWN CHAPEL, 103 4th Street, Hillsboro, MO 63020.

Family and friends can review and share stories, photos and condolences online at www.stlfuneral.com and follow details of this event and others in the community at www.facebook.com/stlchapelhill.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 14. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Chapel Hill Mortuary, Robert Brown Chapel – Hillsboro
103 4th St.
Hillsboro, MO 63050
(636) 789-4949
info@stlfuneral.com
<https://www.stlfuneral.com/>

Funeral Service

APR 14. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Chapel Hill Mortuary, Robert Brown Chapel – Hillsboro
103 4th St.
Hillsboro, MO 63050
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Tribute Wall

DV

“ *David Wiley- a really good surveyor and a better friend. You are gone too soon but I'm thankful for the many hilarious conversations, the inside jokes and good friendship we shared since we first met in 1993. I'm glad that August afternoon was so warm because we had a short chat at just under an hour.*

*We worked together on projects for 30 years and I'm grateful for the lunch hours, the oxygen free zone and the jokes and laughter. We will all miss you and a large piece is no longer in our lives. I appreciate Dave and Wayne and their families. They treated me as one of their own. My family is sorry for your loss. Rest in peace.
Dave Vonarx*

David Vonarx - April 14, 2025 at 06:01 PM

JE

“ *6 files added to the tribute wall*



jessica - April 14, 2025 at 04:30 PM

RG

“ R.J., Jessica and Gage planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David Wayne Wiley.

R.J., Jessica and Gage - April 14, 2025 at 03:55 PM

RG

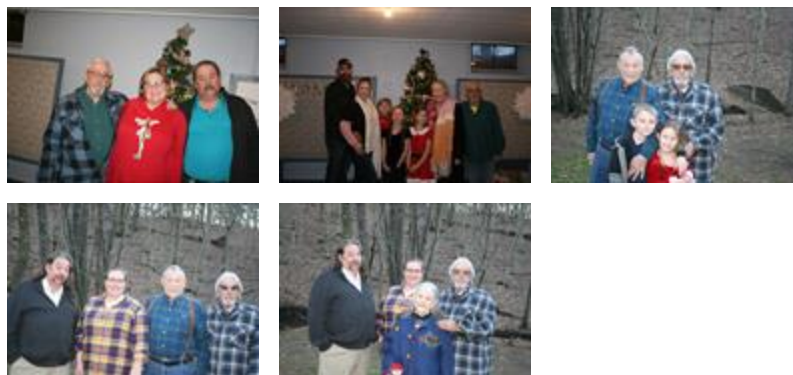
“ R.J., Jessica and Gage purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of David Wayne Wiley.



R.J., Jessica and Gage - April 14, 2025 at 03:55 PM

WI

“ 9 files added to the album David and Dani Wiley



Wiley - April 13, 2025 at 06:04 PM

“ David Wayne Wiley PLS 2612
Little Deer Who Runs Swift and Sure Footed Through the Forest

Born of Scotch Irish descent on June 25, 1962, young Master Wiley was good at taking a story and spinning a good yarn. Life was an adventure for him and nothing would hold him back from having a good time and enjoying the ride. Sadly, David heard the words “Well done my good and faithful servant” on April 7th, 2025.

David, like many of his generation, grew up wanting to do one thing with his life and had life circumstances change his trajectory, sending him into the Surveying Profession. If there was one thing David was good at it was getting up when life knocked him down. In this way you could consider him a phoenix rising from the ashes repeatedly because the person who learns how to get up after being knocked down the fastest wins in the game of life.

It is this memory that I will hold on to the tightest, as in his youth at about age 12 or 13 he was (like me) brought to the field to learn the craft of surveying. While I was commended to stand in the back holding a plumb over that point whenever somebody hollered in my direction David was free to wander up and down the line, being the fourth person on the crew. The trick for him was paying attention to the small stobs left when a tree is cut off. He was forever tripping and stumbling over them. Roger Beckerman “Duke” was always chiding him over his careless walking, stumbling, falling, and then getting right back up. You are no “Little Deer Running Swift and Sure Footed in the Forest” he said, David liked the idea of Little Deer but never seemed to catch the sarcasm of Duke’s statements, until he was asked to return to the truck (at that time the family sedan) and retrieve a folder or some other thing we thought we needed. David with a “you bet” comment spun on his heel and began to take off at a dead run, sadly his turn did not point him back down the line but right into a brush pile, which we had to help extract him from. With this move he solidified his nickname in my

mind.

To his credit and in my mind, David became a good surveyor, he always put the location of the line above the interest of the parties and did not set markers based on anything but the evidence. He tirelessly tried to follow the standards and practices that we the Surveying Profession have established. While this is a tribute to his work it is not the love and passion of his life. That Spot is held by his Wife Keena, his three children and five grandchildren. To them he was devoted and to them he gave his heart.

David is gone too soon and had so much he wanted to give. While he was my phoenix always rising up from whatever life had thrown at him there is no ignoring the call of the Lord. May he be at peace.

Wiley - April 13, 2025 at 02:33 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of David Wayne Wiley.*



April 12, 2025 at 03:32 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of David Wayne Wiley.*



April 10, 2025 at 10:09 AM

WI

“ 1 file added to the album *David and Dani Wiley*



Wiley - April 10, 2025 at 04:43 AM

HR

“ Haley R. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David Wayne Wiley.

Haley R. - April 09, 2025 at 05:39 PM

DW

“ 10 files added to the album *David and Dani Wiley*



Dani Wiley - April 09, 2025 at 02:52 PM

DW

“ *My father was a bright soul that could light up a room and leave a lasting impression to all that met him. I will miss him more and more as time goes on... when I have a question about my car and the noise it's making, when I am curious about who owns that property or the laws and ordinances of property development, when I am curious what his thoughts are about a piece of our American history, etc...but I find solace that he is at peace and will live on in the many memories he shared with all of his friends, family, and neighbors. Love you, dad.*



Dani Wiley - April 09, 2025 at 02:44 PM

BH

“ *Barb Alcala and Hollee purchased the Blue Carib bean Bouquet for the family of David Wayne Wiley.*



Barb Alcala and Hollee - April 09, 2025 at 01:43 PM

AS

“ *"Unable are the loved to die, for love is immortality." Emily Dickinson*

Ashley - April 09, 2025 at 12:50 PM