



## Irish Ann Wright

April 18, 1955 - January 23, 2021

On Saturday, January 23, 2021, the phenomenal woman, Irish Ann Wright suddenly entered eternal rest peacefully at home with her mother by her side.

Irish was born on April 18, 1955 in Jacksonville, Florida. She was the daughter of Patricia Lee DeVore and the late James Anderson. Her mother relocated to New Haven, CT during Irish's elementary years where Irish was raised and attended New Haven public school system.

Irish was a graduate of Wilbur Cross High School and entered the corporate world at the age of 16 while taking advantage of the work study program offered at Wilbur Cross. She attended and earned college credits at South Central Community College, Southern State University and Albertus Magnus studying General Studies with a focus on Business Management. Irish applied the skills she learned to accomplish growth throughout her career.

Irish was employed at Southern New England Telephone Company where she retired after 26 years of dedicated service. After an early retirement from SNET, she worked at Verizon Wireless in Connecticut, North Carolina and Florida and retired after 12 years of dedicated service. Also, a former employee of CT Dept of Labor & Dress Barn (Hamden).

Irish was a compassionate and loving mother, grandmother, daughter and

sister as she loved her entire family and friends unconditionally. She was a great listener and advice-giver to all.

Many know Irish for being a Fashionista, an avid flower and plant lover with an impressive green thumb. She enjoyed reading, music, concerts, traveling, going to the casino, interior design, taking family photos, shopping for a good sale, a connoisseur of fine foods, and playing dolls and dress up with her granddaughter and great granddaughter. Her favorite hobby was shopping, and she was a decorative person with the utmost style and class. She loved family time and looked forward to family events.

Irish had many moments in her life that became great memories, shopping trips that turned into hours of bonding time; giving tips and assisting with interior design to her friends. She loved sending cards with pictures inserted to everyone for holidays, special occasions, and just because. Irish was the calm laid back one of the crew always extending an encouraging word and more.

Irish leaves to cherish her memories, mother, Patricia Lee DeVore of New Haven, CT; two daughters, Swan Wright (Keith Joyner, Sr.), Hamden, CT; Nikeysha Wright, New Haven, CT; five brothers, Walter Aaron (Barbara), Wilmington, NC; Donald Wright, Riviera Beach, FL; Larry DeVore, West Haven, CT; James DeVore, New Haven, CT; Robert DeVore, New Haven, CT; sister Lynette DeVore (Clyde), New Haven, CT; four grandchildren, Krisshonn Wright, New York, NY; Keith Joyner, Jr. and Keilan Joyner, Hamden, CT; Naria Hatcher, New Haven, CT and great granddaughter, Sophia Joyner, Hamden, CT; one aunt, Shirley Ann Moses, New Haven, CT; one uncle, Walter Wright, Newport News, VA; two goddaughters, Charra Moore, Hamden, CT and La'Shante Ruffin, Newport News, VA; one godson, Kristensen McKinnie, Hamden, CT and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and close friends.

Lifelong loyal Sister friends, Cassandra McCoy, East Haven, CT; Pearlstine Boyd, New Haven, CT; Deborah Belcher, Branford, CT; Shirley Ellis-West, New Haven, CT; Jackie Utley, Columbia, SC; Natalie Oliver, Cheshire, CT; Deborah Burgess-Ruffin, Newport News, VA, Connie Streater-Draughn, Windsor Mills, MD; brother friend, Thomas Jones, West Haven, CT.

Irish will be remembered for all the great qualities that she displayed, and we will truly miss hearing Irish say, "I am Blessed, I am Truly Blessed!" She will forever be in our heart!

Calling hour will be held on Wednesday, February 3, 2021 from 10:00-11:00 a.m. at Trinity Temple Church, 285 Dixwell Avenue, New Haven, CT followed by a Celebration of Life at 11:00 a.m.

Due to COVID restrictions, Celebration of Life for Irish Ann Wright will be restricted to family and close friends. Please follow MFH Livestreaming on Facebook for live stream.

Remember the Lilies Flower Shop

# Cemetery Details

**Private**

## Previous Events

### Calling Hours

FEB 3. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Trinity Temple Church of God in Christ  
285 Dixwell Ave  
New Haven, CT 06511  
(203) 776-8179

### Funeral Service

FEB 3. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Hey cuz, it's been painful down here as you know! My babygirl had a hard time with you leaving us! She's now resting peacefully with you! You guys are missed terribly! Gone but never forgotten ❤️❤️  
❤️

Yolanda Moses - November 21, 2025 at 08:14 AM



“ Missing you big cuz! We love you❤️ Keep resting 🙏🥰❤️



Yolanda Moses - May 16, 2024 at 09:58 AM



“ Irish Ann Wright

October 09, 2023 at 06:14 AM



“ It's been a while but you're NEVER FORGOTTEN 💔



Yolanda Moses - January 19, 2023 at 06:45 AM

YM

“ Cuz, you'd be ready for the entire weekend! Always around for family and friends gatherings! I miss you so much! Definitely is not the same for me down here! 💔💔💔💔

Yolanda Moses - May 28, 2022 at 10:31 AM

DI

“ Happy Birthday Aunt Irish 🍀👑 AKA The Flyest 🎁🎁🎁 we miss you so much down here!!!!

Diasia - April 18, 2022 at 08:11 AM

YM

“ Happy Heavenly Birthday Queen! You are truly missed down here! Missing our talks and visits! The family outings will never be the same! God got his angel! Love you forever ❤️🙏🥹



Yolanda Moses - April 18, 2022 at 08:10 AM

YO

“ Missing you cousin! Things aren't the same for me without you! RIP my angels💔💔💔💔



Yolanda - April 07, 2022 at 05:02 AM

YO

“ *Yolanda lit a candle in memory of Irish Ann Wright*



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**Yolanda** - March 07, 2022 at 04:01 PM

YO

“ *Yolanda lit a candle in memory of Irish Ann Wright*



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**Yolanda** - February 23, 2022 at 02:49 PM

AP

“ *Earth has know sorrow that heaven can't heal  
RIP My condolences from the Pemberton family.*



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**Angela Pemberton** - February 11, 2021 at 05:31 PM

BU

“ *Condolences and Sympathy to the entire Wright Family. Forever loved and missed. Your High School Flossy Posse Girls: Irish Wright, Renie Wilmore (RIP), Poochie Gilmore, Gwen Williams, Bunny Chappelle and Cookie Mason. Rest in Peace Lovely!*

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**Bunny** - February 10, 2021 at 02:47 PM

LW

“ *My prayers to the family, even in high school, Irish had the poise of a true queen.*

*A very kind person. Missed, but never forgotten.*

*Larry Wright, Fort Wayne, IN*

*Wilbur Cross class of 73*

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**LW** - February 07, 2021 at 07:22 PM

TA

“ *My prayers and condolences to the family.*

*- Tamara Davis*

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**Tamara** - February 03, 2021 at 05:25 PM

ED

“ *Evadale Daniels-Smith lit a candle in memory of Irish Ann Wright*



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**Evadale Daniels-Smith** - February 03, 2021 at 05:24 PM

MP

“ *Sending my condolences to the Wright family. My prayers are with you in this time of sorrow. Love MaseQua*



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**MaseQua Pina** - February 03, 2021 at 03:53 PM

MF

“ Mother Barbara Holden & McKinnie Family lit a candle in memory of Irish Ann Wright



Mother Barbara Holden & McKinnie Family - February 03, 2021 at 12:25 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Irish Ann Wright.



February 02, 2021 at 11:38 PM

TS

“ Sending my sincere condolences to The Wright Family, Ms Irish will be greatly missed so sorry for your loss 🙏🌸  
Tracey S

Tracey Swint - February 02, 2021 at 11:19 PM

KM

“ So sry for y'all lost 😞 My Deepest Condolences to u all. Sending Prayers 🙏🙏🙏  
🙏🙏🙏❤️😘 Kim Mooe-Bacote & my Brothers Greg, Charles & Kevin Sends their Prayers 🙏🙏🙏 & Condolences 🌸🌸😘



Kim Moore-Bacote - February 02, 2021 at 09:19 PM

BV

“ *Brenda "Broxton" Vaughan lit a candle in memory of Irish Ann Wright*



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**Brenda "Broxton" Vaughan** - February 02, 2021 at 11:32 AM

GB

*To Ms Pat an Swan an the rest of the Wright family that was a big part of my family my heart hurting for one of my best friend we grow up together u will truly be miss. I'm so sorry I couldn't b there for ur home going. In loving memory Sis.*

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**Gwen Williams Benton** - February 10, 2021 at 03:11 PM

ND

“ *Nicole Dorsey purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Irish Ann Wright.*



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**Nicole Dorsey** - February 02, 2021 at 10:54 AM

CM

“ To The Family You All Have My Deepest  
Sympathy and Prayers God Gain Another  
Angel  
To Be Absent From The Body Is To Be Present  
With The Lord. Nothing But Good Times With  
Divafriend  
Cj and I Holiday Party We All Had Such A Wonderful Time When  
We Went On Our Trip Along With Pearl  
We Had So Much Fun You Were Such A Real Divafriend and You  
Will Be Missed.  
I'll Always Love You R I.Paradise DivaSis❤️



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**Cynthia McCoy** - February 02, 2021 at 08:04 AM

AS

You will truly be missed I sit back and look at the picture u brought me  
by when renie die r.i.p rock the heavens

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**Ardis santana** - February 03, 2021 at 10:40 AM



“ Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of  
Irish Ann Wright.



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February 01, 2021 at 09:07 PM

CM

“ To The Family You All Have My Deepest  
Sympathy and Prayers.  
To Be Absent From The Body Is To Be Present  
With The Lord....Irish I Have Fond Memories  
Especially  
Cj and I Holiday Party We All Had Such A  
Wonderful Time Our Trip With You and Pearl..  
Always Beautiful Time...  
I'm Going To Miss You Diva.....  
R.I.Paradise DivaSis Irish. ❤️



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**Cynthia McCoy** - February 01, 2021 at 02:14 PM

ED

“ *Eternal life is now your final destination.  
purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for  
the family of Irish Ann Wright.*



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**Eternal life is now your final destination.** - February 01, 2021  
at 11:43 AM

JW

“ *Joann Waller lit a candle in memory of Irish  
Ann Wright*



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**joann waller** - February 01, 2021 at 08:04 AM

MS

*May God comfort you . My prayers are with all who knew and loved her ...Irish was a beautiful woman always greeted me with a pleasant smile ..She was a friend to all including me..She is missed already ..Just knowingly we won't see her in the flesh... But hopefully we'll meet again in the sweet by and by* ❤️❤️❤️❤️❤️❤️🙏

**Mamie Smith** - February 01, 2021 at 03:15 PM

MW

“ *There's so many fond memories I have shared with her that I can't pick just one. I enjoyed every day that we rode together to work. She will forever be a mother to me. I will surely miss our talks and her inspiring words.* ❤️

**Marvyne Wagnac** - January 31, 2021 at 09:07 PM

VL

“ *Irish, I can't believe you left us. i go to tell you something and I stop myself, I think to tell you something , I stop myself. You were a breathe of fresh air, You will be missed tremendously and We love you beyond words can express. We I think of you it brings a smile to my face you were one of a kind... I'm your Ron Gee forever. Sleep on Sis*❤️

**Veronica Lowery** - January 31, 2021 at 07:04 PM

AS

“ *To: The Devore and Wright Family*

*A good heart has stopped beating, a good soul ascended to heaven.*

*Unseen, unheard but Irish will always be near*

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Still loved, still missed and very dear.*

*May you the family find peace and comfort during these difficult times.*

*Prayers and love,*

*Aquino Sumpter*



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**Aquino Sumpter** - January 31, 2021 at 01:17 AM



“ *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Irish Ann Wright.*



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January 30, 2021 at 03:00 PM

DD

“ *My dearest Friend has earned her Wings--We had great laughs Iris r.i.p. your friend Dolly Smiling*

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**dolly davis** - January 30, 2021 at 01:29 PM

VA

“ My condolences and prays for the family. Swan and Nikkie my heart feel foe you losing a mother. But I'll remember the good times with your mom playing cards. She was such a beautiful women and I am glad to have known her. She always was willing to talk and listen to any ones problem. She will be missed. Venetia Richardson-Armfield

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**Venetia Armfield** - January 30, 2021 at 08:33 AM

SC

“ My condolences to the Wright family!



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**Sandra Crockett** - January 30, 2021 at 12:14 AM

LB

“ Linda Barnes lit a candle in memory of Irish Ann Wright



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**Linda Barnes** - January 29, 2021 at 07:18 PM

DI

“ Irish was beautiful inside and out..she always had a smile..her sense of style and fashion are memorable...she will be missed!❤️

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**Diane** - January 29, 2021 at 03:29 PM

VC

“ My advisor, my mentor your gracefully spirit. Irish you touched my life in so many different ways. Ray & I will truly miss you. Oh having a grilled cheese with tomato soup. Rest on and design the Heavens. Love sis Vanessa



vanessa Chambers - January 29, 2021 at 12:36 PM

DC

“ I love you Aunty

Diasia



Diasia Coardes - January 29, 2021 at 08:23 AM

HP

“ To Wright Family: Sending condolences 🌸 prayers to Irish love one's,when to Cross very fashionable all time, had 😊with everybody and will be missed



Helen C Powell - January 29, 2021 at 12:48 AM

CL

“ A good heart has stopped beating, A good soul ascended to heaven. May our Lord bless and comfort the family during this time of grief. Please accept my sincere condolence. ~Cyndi Lu~



Cyndi Lu - January 28, 2021 at 11:55 PM



“ *Rose Garden Heart was purchased for the family of Irish Ann Wright.*



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January 28, 2021 at 11:29 PM



“ *Angela Thigpen lit a candle in memory of Irish Ann Wright*



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**Angela Thigpen** - January 28, 2021 at 07:32 PM



“ *The Joyner Family purchased the Lovely One Sp athiphyllum Plant for the family of Irish Ann Wright.*



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**The Joyner Family** - January 28, 2021 at 01:41 PM









“ *Maria Coardes lit a candle in memory of Irish Ann Wright*



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**Maria Coardes** - January 28, 2021 at 11:31 AM

VB

*My deepest  condolences to this beautiful family and friends   
 Irish leaves a legacy of treasures   *

**Virgil Bryant** - January 29, 2021 at 09:28 AM

AW

*love you Irish you will be miss you and i love you nicky and swan.*

**ANNETTE WEATHERSPOON** - January 29, 2021 at 01:55 PM

TW

*My Aunt Irish was a Beautiful person inside and out. To say you will be missed is an understatement. To my cousins Swan and Nickey I love you and I'm so deeply sorry for your loss*

**Tanishia Mclean Williams** - February 02, 2021 at 05:24 PM