



Mr. Wendell Gordon Gray

April 22, 1943 - November 7, 2025

Wendell Gordon Gray, 82, of DeWitt passed away November 7, 2025 after a two year battle with cancer. Wendell was born April 22, 1943, to Loy Lafayette and Sarah Frances Gray. He was raised in Brown Springs (Hot Springs County) Arkansas along with two brothers and three sisters. He graduated from Ouachita High School and still enjoyed classmate lunches with the remaining members of his class.

Wendell was a husband, father, grandfather and friend to many. He enjoyed family gatherings and camping with his wife (Lee) and other family members. Wendell and Lee spent many happy miles exploring the North American Continent. Their travels took them to nearly all the lower 48 states, as well as, Canada, Alaska, and Nova Scotia.

Wendell also enjoyed the outdoors, hunting turkeys, deer, elk, and pheasant wherever they could be hunted. He formed many lasting friendships with others while traveling many states hunting. In his later years, he was always the oldest of the hunt party, but never the last one to reach the top of the mountain while chasing whatever animal he was after.

Wendell was a talented woodworker that took pride in his building projects. He not only built swings, chairs, book shelves, and a pulpit. He also built his own home, and/or remodeled several other homes for family members including

his own children.

Wendell was preceded in death by his parents, and two infant siblings, a brother William (Bill) Gray (Kay), brothers in law Kenneth Morrison (Delaine), Gene Beckwith (Norma) and sister in law Linda (Loy Lafayette Jr.).

Wendell is survived by his wife Lee, daughter Wendy (Sammy) Long, and son Richard (Melissa). He has two grandsons Hunter and Jacob Nall. One step granddaughter Katie Long. Along with three step great-grandsons Kaden, Kelson, and Kenneth.

Surviving siblings are sisters, Wyonne (Benny) Swafford, Norma Beckwith, Delaine Morrison, and a brother Loy Lafayette Gray Jr. (Junebug).

The family would like to extend special thanks Dr. Stan Burleson and his staff for the heartfelt care that they gave Wendell the decades he has been the family physician.

Visitation will be from 10-11am Saturday November 15 at First Baptist Church, 322 W First Street, DeWitt, AR. Memorial service will be following at 11 am.

Memorials may be made to Old Pleasant Hill Haven of Rest (Pleasant Hill Loop, County Road 273, Malvern, Arkansas 72104) Attention: Helen Draper, 42 Draper Loop, Malvern AR 72104.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **15**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church
322 W 1st St
DeWitt, AR 72042-1904
(870) 946-1341

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ Good memories of Wendell and I working together at Lock 3. He was one of my good fishing and hunting buddies. Good man will sure miss him. Tommy Perritt

Tommy Perritt - November 14, 2025 at 06:03 PM

CM

“ A wonderful man who will be missed so much by all of his family and friends. Love you, Uncle Wendell. Sending my thoughts and prayers.



Christa Morrison - November 10, 2025 at 07:28 PM

TF

“ The Guttry Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Wendell Gordon Gray.



The Guttry Family - November 10, 2025 at 01:16 PM

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“ The Guttry Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Wendell Gordon Gray.

The Guttry Family - November 10, 2025 at 01:16 PM

PD

“ *P & S Davis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wendell Gordon Gray*



P & S Davis - November 10, 2025 at 08:51 AM

EH

“ *Prayers for Wendell's many family and friends.*



Ester, Kyler, and Cory Hageman - November 09, 2025 at 11:11 PM