



## Mary Helen "Sue" Wright

March 13, 1927 - March 9, 2018

Mary Helen Wright "Sue", died peacefully, surrounded by her family at St. Anne's Hospital. The daughter of Helen Harrington Harpen and Howard John Harpen, she was a longtime parishioner at St. Agnes and Christ the King churches, and a 1945 graduate of Central Catholic High School.

An avid lover of music and musical arts, she was a member of the glee club where she performed in operettas and where she met Joseph Wright whom she later married. Together they had seven children. She is survived by Kathleen (Kenneth) Kroos, James (Noreen), Ellen (Michael) McCarty, Marcia (Edward) Berger, Julie ( Archie) Hayford, and Thomas (Kathy). She was preceded in death by her husband, Joe, and son, John Howard Wright.

An author of many articles on local lore, she also published a series of children's books describing her family's history. She loved music and enjoyed singing and playing piano for family and friends. Mary Helen and Joe were world travelers and deeply appreciated exploring other cultures. Later in life she became an Ursuline Associate. Her deep Catholic faith provided the guiding principles of her life.

Her sense of humor, optimism and her desire to include others in her life made her the "rock star of Grandmothers." She remained actively engaged in all the activities and achievements of her children, nieces and nephews,

thirteengrandchildren, seven great-grandchildren. She will be sadly missed.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donations to the Wright Family Scholarship at Central Catholic High School or to the Ursuline Sisters of Toledo, Ohio.

Friends are invited to visit from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Monday, March 12, 2018 at the Ansberg-West Funeral Home, 3000 Sylvania Avenue, where the Rosary will be recited at 3:00 p.m. and a wake service conducted at 7:00 p.m. Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, March 13, 2018 at Christ the King Church, where friends are invited to gather in the narthex after 9:00 a.m. Interment will follow in Resurrection Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## Resurrection Cemetery

5725 Hill Ave.  
Toledo, OH 43615

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 12. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Ansberg-West Funeral Directors  
3000 Sylvania Avenue  
Toledo, OH 43613  
(419) 472-7633  
<https://www.ansberg-west.com>

## Service

MAR 13. 10:00 AM (ET)

Christ the King Catholic Church  
4100 Harvest Ln  
Toledo, OH 43623

# Tribute Wall

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“ To the entire Wright family. The service for her was truly a beautiful celebration of her as she would say a blest life. God will say to her well done faithful servant. I will keep all of you in my thoughts and prayers.  
Dan Meyer

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**Daniel Meyer** - March 14, 2018 at 12:15 PM

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“ The Toledo Choral Society would like to express our sincerest sympathy to the family of Mary Helen "Sue" Wright who was a former member of our society. May she join in the angel choir in heaven.

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**Nan Plenzler - secretary** - March 13, 2018 at 05:34 PM

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“ I met Sue at water aerobics at St. James Club years ago. Always so sweet and friendly, and talented. I shared her books with my grandchildren.

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**Ardith Millington** - March 13, 2018 at 04:45 PM