



Jennifer Lynn Wright

October 15, 1974 - March 21, 2021

Jennifer Lynn Wright, 46, of Palm Coast, Florida passed away on March 21, 2021. Truly beautiful inside and out, Jennifer devoted her life to her loving husband, Michael Wright, and her pets who she called her furry gang of misfits. She spoiled and loved Bubba, Thurman, Zoe, Holly, Coley, Jessie, Franklin, Lilly, and Abby with all her heart. Born on October 15, 1974, Jennifer grew up in Meriden and Wallingford, Connecticut. She attended Holy Trinity School and graduated from Lyman Hall High School in Wallingford.

Jennifer was a writer and a published author who wrote a series of short stories about her and Michael's first pug, Zoe, who had recently passed. Jennifer wrote these short stories about the life of Zoe the pug as a way to always remember the beautiful and fun times she and Mike shared with her. Eventually, these short stories, created out of love and memory, were turned into a book, *THE GRUMBLY PUG*, which was published in 2017 and listed in the Library of Congress. This book was the start of an amazing and loving community that grew on Facebook under Jen's professional name, Jennifer Niland Wright. Over the past five years, some 60,000 people would follow Jennifer, many joining her on her weekly Facebook Live posts. Jennifer and her pug-loving community would talk about all things dogs. Jennifer so loved this community created out of love for the furry gang that was family for her and Michael.

Prior to becoming a writer, Jennifer worked many years in the insurance industry at Aetna in Hartford, where she formed amazing friendships with her Aetna family. Most recently, Jennifer worked as a sales associate and then manager at J. Crew Factory Outlet in Daytona Beach, Florida where she loved meeting new people and making friends. Jennifer originally took the job with J. Crew because she wanted to socialize more, and this grew into some great friendships. Jennifer was so proud that she had been with the Daytona Beach store since it opened in 2016, and she was coming up on her five-year anniversary.

Jennifer also enjoyed running and had recently set a goal for herself to run a half marathon by the end of the year. Jennifer accomplished a few half marathons in 2010 and

2011 including the Hartford Half Marathon and the New York City Half Marathon. Jennifer had just started running again recently and was so looking forward to accomplishing this goal.

Jennifer was also a member of the Palm Coast United Methodist Church where she taught Sunday School. She loved her church community and adored all of the amazing children she was able to teach there. Jennifer's involvement with her church was so very important to her and she felt at home when she became a member of PCUMC.

She loved and respected Pastor Kevin James and Reverend Theresa Waters, always connecting to Pastor Kevin's services and his funny sense of humor. That may be because Jennifer had her own unique, witty, and corny sense of humor. She found a way to slip in silly jokes and puns at just the right moment, making so many in her presence smile and laugh. She could also break out in a 90's rap song at a moment's notice, and brilliantly rap every single word. Speaking of "wrapping," Jennifer had a knack for finding or creating the most thoughtful and meaningful gifts for those she loved.

Jennifer had a desire to always be learning something new. Jennifer would take classes and was an avid reader, eager for new and meaningful discoveries. When she and Mike first moved to Florida, she took classes to become a real estate agent and got her license. Although she didn't practice real estate, she just loved to be in class in order to continually grow. Jennifer had recently received a letter that she had been called for jury duty and she was thrilled because that would give her an opportunity to witness the criminal justice system in action. Michael joked with her that she is probably the only person he ever knew who was actually excited to get called for jury duty.

Jennifer is survived by her loving, caring, loyal, and devoted husband, Michael Wright. They were looking forward to celebrating their 23rd wedding anniversary on September 26, 2021. Jennifer is also survived by her mother and stepfather, Tracey and Jim Lobb of Ocean Isle Beach, North Carolina; her father and stepmother, Robert and Bernadette Niland of Portland, Connecticut; her sister and brother-in-law, Lisa (Lobb) and Steve Secundo, and her beloved niece, Margo Mary Secundo of Westport, Connecticut; her grandfather, Clayton Nettleton of Fort Pierce, Florida; her aunts, Patti (Ed) Gwara, Joy (Dennis) McNeil and Pamela Doll, and her uncles Scott (Kris) Nettleton and Jim (Lucy) Niland. Jennifer was predeceased by her maternal grandmother, Elaine Nettleton and her paternal grandparents, Robert and Jean Niland.

Jennifer is also survived by her large family of in-laws including parents-in-law Thomas and Gail Godbout of Palm Coast, Florida and Cheshire, Connecticut and Richard and

Joann Wright of Ormond Beach, Florida. Sisters and brothers-in-law include Stacey (Wright) and EJ Roberts, Wendy (Wright) and Stephen Richards, Richard and Fran Wright, Joshua Wright and fiancé Jessica John, Thomas and Lindsley Godbout, and Joseph Godbout and partner Robbin Ricci. Jennifer's beloved nieces and nephews include Kathryn Roberts, William Roberts, Kimberly Richards, Bethany Richards, Jack Richards, Richard Wright, Joseph Wright, Currey Godbout, Cooper Godbout, and Casey Godbout.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Heritage Funeral and Cremation Service in Palm Coast, FL. A Celebration of Life in honor of Jennifer will be held on Saturday, April 10, 2021 at 1:00 PM at Palm Coast United Methodist Church, 5200 Belle Terre Pkwy, Palm Coast, FL 32137. In lieu of flowers, Jennifer would have wanted and very much appreciated any donations to be sent to The Pug Rescue of Florida. We have created a link which will direct you to this fundraiser: <https://www.facebook.com/donate/810307919604844/>

Events

APR **Celebration of Life** **01:00PM**

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Palm Coast United Methodist Church

5200 Belle Terre Parkway, Palm Coast, FL, US, 32137

Comments



“ Jennifer Lynn - who could ask for anyone more. I will always and forever cherish our weekly Girl's Night Out, beginning at Taco Bell and ending at Carvel for a rainbow sherbet ice cream cone. Staying up late on Tuesday nights to watch Happy Days and Laverne and Shirley! Hiding with your Catholic school friends in the back seat of your father's black and gold Chevy Citation when he'd purposefully stop at Kmart just to embarrass you when he was playing taxi driver. Your tears when I left for the hospital for the birth of your sister. Taking over when you had a baby sitter because they "didn't do it like mommy." And lastly, the most loving and powerful memory of all: when you said "Mommy I love you." while sitting on the altar looking like an angel in your perfect wedding gown. Oh, one more, when you and Lisa were forbidden to say stupid, shut up and ugly at any time. Well Jennifer Nettleton Niland is a pretty girl (sung incessantly by Nana), this is all STUPID, SHUT UP AND UGLY.

Tracy Lobb - May 04 at 12:55 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Jennifer Lynn Wright.



April 09 at 07:21 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Jennifer Lynn Wright.



April 09 at 12:14 AM



“ I only knew Jennifer through Facebook, but she was like family. And we shared a love for pugs she will be missed.



Lori Turner - April 08 at 10:04 PM



“ Although, I did not personally know Jennifer, I felt like I did, as we were friends through facebook and met due to the love and our feelings for animals. I always enjoyed watching Jennifer's videos and the compassion and love towards her fur babies and as well as those who weren't hers.

To the family, my sincerely condolences during this difficult time. Always cherish those memories and great times that y'all experienced and hold those memories close to your heart.

Jennifer, you will be missed. God has received a special angel.

Robin McFarlane - April 08 at 09:38 PM



“ Concord Pools & Spas purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Jennifer Lynn Wright.



Concord Pools & Spas - April 08 at 03:49 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Jennifer Lynn Wright.



April 07 at 07:52 PM



“ Sandy Dickson, Cheryl Walsh and her L&P Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Jennifer Lynn Wright.



Sandy Dickson, Cheryl Walsh and her L&P Family - April 07 at 06:07 PM



“ Rose Garden Heart was purchased for the family of Jennifer Lynn Wright.



April 06 at 08:15 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Jennifer Lynn Wright.



April 06 at 06:13 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Jennifer Lynn Wright.



March 31 at 11:38 AM



“ I watched so many videos on Facebook. She was such a wonderful person and I am so very sad to hear this. She made a difference in this world. She touched so many and I am glad I was able to know her even though it was only through Facebook. Rest In Peace. All of your animals will always be better because of the person you were.

robin fino - March 30 at 09:38 PM



“ Even, though I never Jennifer in person. when she did her Facebook Thursday's nights. she greeted each of by name as if we were part of her extended family. I will be forever grateful for the 2, 1/2 years I followed her on Facebook. Michael, Jessie and Lilybug. Jennifer family and friends. Rest, assurances her beautiful soul and light is looking after everyone Blessings, Peace and Love.



Terri Allin - March 29 at 04:07 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jennifer Lynn Wright.



March 29 at 12:23 PM



“ Pineapple yellow for my beautiful friend



Teri Crockett - March 28 at 09:00 AM



“ Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jennifer Lynn Wright.



March 27 at 01:53 PM



“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Jennifer Lynn Wright.



March 27 at 12:55 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jennifer Lynn Wright.



March 27 at 11:17 AM



“ Godspeed



Ronda - March 27 at 10:30 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Jennifer Lynn Wright.



March 27 at 12:25 AM



“ Shelly Janeski lit a candle in memory of Jennifer Lynn Wright



Shelly Janeski - March 26 at 11:05 PM



“ With Deepest Sympathy to Michael and Family, Jessie and Lily

Shelly Janeski - March 26 at 11:10 PM



“ Sondra Volmert lit a candle in memory of Jennifer Lynn Wright



Sondra Volmert - March 26 at 09:32 PM



“ Faye Foster lit a candle in memory of Jennifer Lynn Wright



Faye Foster - March 26 at 07:55 PM



“ I was never fortunate to met her in this life, bu her posts brightened my life....she was warm and kind and love for her fur babies radiated in all she said and did..... I will miss her posts very much... my condolences to her beloved family members and her fur babies... 😞

Mercedese Witty - March 26 at 07:15 PM



“ Sherrie Tompkins lit a candle in memory of Jennifer Lynn Wright



Sherrie Tompkins - March 26 at 06:41 PM



“ Jennifer was such a loving person. I remember when Abby passed away and I sent her a wind chime and the beautiful Thank You note she sent me. To Mike and family, you are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time but take comfort in how many hearts Jennifer touched during her short time on earth.

Amy Dye - March 26 at 05:31 PM



“ OMG! I am so sad to hear this. I always loved seeing here stories about her dogs and pugs especially. Being a pugmom myself to Max & Chloe and my Little Lilo, Jennifer always lent a comforting thought. Especially when my Lilo passed away in 2017. Rest in peace Jennifer. Max, Chloe, and I will miss you.



Diane Hartzler - March 26 at 04:33 PM



“ Mike, Tracy, Jim and Lisa,
I am so privileged to have known Jen. I had the pleasure of watching her grow into an amazing young woman. She always smiled and went out of her way to talk to you. I will always remember the day when she asked if she could do some magic tricks at my daughter Heather's birthday party. She was pretty could too. We were all amazed.
She was a real special person and will be truly missed. May she RIP.

Vivian Schultz - March 26 at 04:26 PM



“ Pam Knox lit a candle in memory of Jennifer Lynn Wright



Pam Knox - March 26 at 03:23 PM



“ My heart is broken as I am just seeing this. I have never known such a kind, caring, loving & compassionate person. The love she had for dogs was way past the moon & back. I send my heartfelt sympathy to her husband, family & friends. I send love to her beautiful fur babies.



Julie Behan - March 26 at 03:00 PM



“ You are definitely going to be missed



Lori. Turner - March 26 at 02:39 PM



“ Jennifer was such an inspiration to me as I care for my Senior buddy, Otis the Pug. Many times she offered advice on how to make his senior days more liveable.

She will be missed considerably.

Douglas Keller - March 26 at 02:29 PM



“ Nancy Nomura lit a candle in memory of Jennifer Lynn Wright



Nancy Nomura - March 26 at 02:28 PM



“ I was flabbergasted to read that Jennifer had passed. She was so young and full of love for the animals she was mother to. I cannot adequately express how much I've enjoyed following her on Facebook the last several years. The love shown and her commitment to bettering the lives of our beloved furry friends was so inspiring. She will be greatly missed. Please accept my most sincere condolences for this monumental loss. I'm absolutely certain her babies will meet her with open arms. Good bye Jennifer.



Kevin Jones - March 26 at 02:21 PM



“ Jennifer had to be the most beautiful human I've known. Inside and out. She cared so much for others and for furbabies. Sincerest condolences to Mike and her whole family and friends. Her passing is a great loss for everyone.

Aimée VanHooser - March 26 at 02:21 PM



“ Jennifer was a special, loving, kind woman... it's been a while since we've spoken in person, but I always tried to catch her live posts on Facebook.

Sande Godbout - March 26 at 02:17 PM



“ I'm so sorry for this family's loss. I enjoyed her posts and her kind and gentle voice on her lives on facebook. My condolences to her Husband and Family and her precious fur babies.



Dawn Davison - March 26 at 02:08 PM



“ Charlotte LaCombe lit a candle in memory of Jennifer Lynn Wright



Charlotte LaCombe - March 26 at 01:59 PM



“ Jennifer you are so very missed already. You radiated love, kindness, patience and joy through your author page. Deepest sympathy Michael, Jennifer's extended family and friends. Fly in heaven dear angel with all your sweet pets in heaven.

Charlotte LaCombe - March 26 at 06:14 PM



“ Thank you for making life brighter and happier with your writing and posts. I know you are with you passed over pets and loving and caring for your Husband and fur babies still here. In much love and light to you and your family.

Lori Beebe - March 26 at 01:57 PM



“ I remember her wonderful, sweet stories! She had the sweetest and most gentle way about her as she talked about the babies and the weekly going on. I will miss her. I didn't know her outside of the community but I wish I had. God bless the family and may she rest in peace with the Lord



suzi - March 26 at 01:53 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers to you and yours for your loss.

Tim Griffith - March 26 at 01:38 PM



“ Too shocked for words....I have only met Jennifer through the facebook family, and have followed and looked forward to her pictures and anecdotes of Jessie and Lily! A love of all doggies and pugs in particular is why I followed Jenn all the time. I will definately miss seeing and reading them. Jessie and Lily are so adorable, my heart goes out to them for their loss. I, too, had to keep my pug and dashounds in my arms when their Dad died. Prayers and healing thoughts are on their way to Michael, the puppers and all the family.

Nan Barailloux, Bedee-Gilley
Toledo, Ohio and Sierra Vista, Arizona

nancy bedee-gilley - March 26 at 01:37 PM



“ I'm so sorry for your loss. Prayers during these most difficult times. I only knew Jennifer through her Facebook Live Nights but looked forward to them every week. Her Grumbly Pug book sits on my night stand signed by Jennifer. I will miss her.

Susan Onori - March 26 at 02:06 PM



“ I'm so sorry about jennifer. It's such a shock I loved watching her live post about all of her pets especially Lily bug and jessie. I have a pug and they are amazing dogs. I'm gonna miss her on Facebook. Prayers for the family

Lori. Turner - March 26 at 02:35 PM



“ Belinda Patchell lit a candle in memory of Jennifer Lynn Wright



Belinda patchell - March 26 at 01:36 PM



“ I shall really miss her posts, her live facebook chats with lily and jessie. Sending much love to the family from the UK xxx

Belinda patchell - March 26 at 01:38 PM



“ Jolanda Kamphorst lit a candle in memory of Jennifer Lynn Wright



Jolanda kamphorst - March 26 at 01:28 PM



“ I will miss her stories and pictures . I don't remember so well but I though last year she went away to the doctors for a few days. Anyways she will be missed I'm I Shasta lake city CA.



Rebecca - March 26 at 01:25 PM



“ Claudia Snipes lit a candle in memory of Jennifer Lynn Wright



Claudia Snipes - March 26 at 01:13 PM



“ I have been following Jennifer and her gang of gorgeous girls for several years now and was struck by the warmth, love, wit and compassion she showed to everyone. She made everyone welcome and her brilliantly funny posts, photos and observations have gotten me through some of the darkest of days. I live in London, UK but it has always been a pleasure and privilege to be included in Jennifer's online family. I miss her like a friend even though we never met. Sending love, strength and prayers to all her family, but particularly Michael, Jessie and Lily. God bless you Jennifer, you will remain in our hearts forever X

Clare Gorman - March 26 at 01:12 PM



“ So sorry for your loss. Prayers and love.

Rev Gary Melissa Storms - March 26 at 01:06 PM



“ Rev Gary Melissa Storms lit a candle in memory of Jennifer Lynn Wright



Rev Gary Melissa Storms - March 26 at 01:06 PM



“ Kristin Schmidt lit a candle in memory of Jennifer Lynn Wright



Kristin Schmidt - March 26 at 01:01 PM



“ Debbie Davis lit a candle in memory of Jennifer Lynn Wright



Debbie Davis - March 26 at 12:57 PM



“ I too was a “transplant” to Pam Coast a few years back. Without many local friends, Jen and I just connected over our love of animals and only having “fur babies.” With time she grew to be the most amazing friend I could imagine - always with kind, inspirational words and special gifts for special occasions. I’ve never known someone so genuine and caring of others.

I will forever cherish our girls dinners around town, playing ball with Jesse at the pool, and our awesome evening watching Nelly perform as you drank your wine and we shook our tails off with glee in Daytona. I already miss knowing you’re just a text message away! We will forever miss having you around to brighten the day. I will always cal you my dear sweet friend!

Teri

Teri Crockett - March 26 at 12:56 PM



“ My deepest sympathies to Jennifer’s family. I met her just once at The Grumbly Pug receptions few years ago but followed her on Facebook. She was such a sweet person. Judith Pepin (from Yankee Pug Dig Club)

judith pepin - March 26 at 12:54 PM



“ Jennifer over the years you and the furies became so loved by me. I would look for your post everyday and get my smile. You left footprints on my heart and will always be loved along with the fur babies as long as I live. My love and prayers to Michael. Jennifer loved you so much and so do we. God be with you .

Mary Certo - March 26 at 12:51 PM



“ It is truly a gift to be bale to touch people the way Jennifer did. She reached out across the miles to touch the lives of 60,000 people now that's really something. I will miss her funny ways and her giving heart. Jessie and Lily must be beside themselves at the loss of their mom. You've got big shoes to fill Michael. Best of luck!

Ruth Goodrich - March 26 at 12:44 PM



“ Jennifer you & the girls(Abby, Lily, Jessie) were wonder to hear from. I loved your Thursdays Live. You were a truly kind soul. My condolences to your Husband.

Jill Wachter - March 26 at 12:37 PM



“ I will always remember our time working with the kids@ church together. As well you were a great friend & I will always hold those memories close to heart always.

Troy Hammond - March 26 at 12:36 PM