



## Frederick William Wolf

May 10, 1940 - February 22, 2024

Frederick William Wolf, 83, passed peacefully, February 22, 2024, surrounded by family after a hard-fought battle with cancer.

Born May 10, 1940 to German parents, in LaPorte County, Indiana, Fred spent most of his childhood in foster care with the Baske family, helping on a large farm. In 1959, he joined the Air Force to pursue a career in the budding electronics field. The bulk of his career he worked as a Defense contractor with Sperry Rand, Unisys, and Lockheed Martin. His work included assisting in development of Nasa Apollo flight navigation, overseeing radar systems installation in two New York City airports, and as a Combat System Engineer on US Navy radar systems. Working with the Navy, he loved sea trial adventures through the Caribbean and Latin America. Known as "the Bulldog" for the Navy, he was well respected for his know-how and determination to make sure their systems worked properly. In his free time, he loved everything technical. As a self-taught engineer and a life-long HAM radio operator, he could always be found tinkering with electronics in his garage or office.

Mr. Fred deeply loved his wife of 60 years, Virginia Cathryn Wolf, 3 daughters, and grandchildren. He was the consummate provider and protector, constantly challenging them on mechanical knowledge. He never missed the first freeze notification to remind them to cover the pipes.

This loyal husband, father, grandfather, brother, and friend is preceded in death by his parents William (Sophia) Wolf and Helen Waldman Wolf, his wife Virginia Wolf, his grandson Trever Poole, sisters Margie Kay, Anne Bartholomew, and half-brother Donald Waldman.

He is survived by daughters Christina Wolf, Deborah (Jim) Norton, and Kimberly Poole; grandchildren Megan (Matthew) Gallagher, Sarah Norton, Tyler Poole; and great-grandson Xavier Poole along with many cherished siblings, family, and friends.

Services will be conducted 10 a.m. Thursday, February 29, 2024 at Summersett Memorial Chapel with burial following at Salisbury National Cemetery.

Summersett Funeral Home is serving the Wolf family. Online condolences may be made at [www.summersettfuneralhome.com](http://www.summersettfuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Salisbury National Cemetery

501 Statesville Blvd.  
Salisbury, NC 28144

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

FEB **29**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Summersett Memorial Chapel  
1315 W. Innes St.  
Salisbury, NC 28144

# Tribute Wall



“ Your family is grieving with y'all and wish we could be with y'all We loved your dad!  
Joy and family

joy patterson - February 27, 2024 at 12:33 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Frederick William Wolf.



February 26, 2024 at 07:43 PM



“ Sandy Dillon Loper planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Frederick William Wolf.

Sandy Dillon Loper - February 26, 2024 at 07:43 PM



“ Wanda O. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Frederick William Wolf.

Wanda O. - February 26, 2024 at 11:34 AM

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“ *Patricia M. planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Frederick William Wolf.*

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**Patricia M.** - February 23, 2024 at 08:49 AM