



## Timothy Wesley Wingate

October 14, 1953 - February 3, 2024

Timothy Wesley Wingate, 70, a devoted husband, loving father, and tireless advocate for freedom and humanity, passed away peacefully on February 3, 2024, surrounded by his family. His unwavering commitment to natural law, justice, civil liberties, and freedom of thought touched the lives of many.

As a father, Tim was a beacon of strength and kindness. His children, Kay, Annie, and Becky, remember him as the man who taught them to stand up for what they believed in, to think critically, question authority, do the right thing, appreciate the small blessings in life, and to extend a helping hand to those in need.

Born on October 14, 1953, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, Tim grew up with a sense of purpose and a calling to fight against evil and he carried that fire throughout his remarkable life.

Tim's marriage to Katie was a testament to enduring love. Their partnership was built on shared dreams, interesting and fun conversations, and laughter that echoed through their cozy home. Together, they weathered storms, celebrated victories, and held each other close during life's trials. He and Katie enjoyed their grandchildren, and Tim was a fun and doting Grandpa. They planned to continue Tim's work extending classical education to today's youth.

Professionally, Tim was a liberty activist, freethinker, deist, philosopher, and community advocate who spent many of his days writing, editing, and producing works of literature, radio shows, and podcasts to keep freedom alive. He was a driving force, having organized movements and organizations that made a difference locally.

Starting his study at North Central Bible College in Minnesota, Tim was foremost a seeker of truth and wonder – striving always for a horizon larger than rigid doctrines. The yards and yards of books on his sagging bookshelves – philosophy and classic literature, politics and history, religion, law, science fiction, and even comics -- could reveal only the faintest approximation of the enormous scale and shape of his curiosity. Tim eventually earned a Doctorate of Theology, but in truth, he was a student of the universe itself...and he was among its most eager and dedicated pupils, delighted to be woven from stardust.

Tim is survived by his wife Kathleen “Katie” Wingate (née Carroll), his three daughters Kathleen “Kay” Beer (née Wingate), Anne Van Zeyl (née Wingate), and Rebecca Wingate; his two sons-in-law Steve Beer and Brian Van Zeyl, his four grandchildren Lily (8), Eloise (7), Hunter (4), and Wesley (1), his mother Ailorae Wingate (née McCabe), and his siblings Mark Wingate, Lynne Borland (née Wingate), and Todd Wingate. He was preceded in death by his father Barnard Wingate and grandson Ethan Beer.

Let us gather to celebrate a life well-lived and to carry forward Tim's torch of liberty.

Memorial visitation will take place on Friday, February 16, 2024, from 1:00 pm until the time of service at 3:30 pm at Ringa Funeral Home. The service will be live-streamed at <https://evt.live/timothy-wingate>



# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

FEB 16. 1:00 PM (CT)

Ringa Funeral Home  
122 S. Milwaukee Ave.  
Lake Villa, IL 60046  
(847) 356-2146  
info@ringafuneralhome.com  
<https://www.ringafuneralhome.com>

## Live Cast

FEB 16. 3:30 PM (CT)

Live Stream

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## Memorial Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ Uncle Frank, Aunt Dianne, Eddie & Pat planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Timothy Wesley Wingate.

Uncle Frank, Aunt Dianne, Eddie & Pat - February 14, 2024 at 12:21 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Timothy Wesley Wingate.



February 14, 2024 at 12:21 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Timothy Wesley Wingate.



February 13, 2024 at 12:28 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Timothy Wesley Wingate.



February 13, 2024 at 12:24 PM

BC

“ From: Becky's colleagues at CS planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Timothy Wesley Wingate.

Becky's colleagues at CS - February 12, 2024 at 02:24 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Timothy Wesley Wingate.



February 12, 2024 at 02:24 PM

MW

“ Mark & Kay Wingate purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Timothy Wesley Wingate.



Mark & Kay Wingate - February 11, 2024 at 04:08 PM

MW

“ Mark Wingate lit a candle in memory of Timothy Wingate



Mark Wingate - February 11, 2024 at 03:48 PM

FC

“ *frank carroll lit a candle in memory of Timothy Wingate*



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**frank carroll** - February 09, 2024 at 08:58 PM