



Dr. Neal David Wilsey

July 27, 1937 - August 5, 2024

Dr. Neal David Wilsey, age 87, of White Plains, Maryland, passed away on Monday, August 5, 2024, at the University of Maryland Charles Regional Medical Center in La Plata, surrounded by his beloved wife, children, and grandchildren.

Born on July 27, 1937, in Tunkhannock, Pennsylvania, Neal was the devoted son of the late Russell and Esther Wilsey. He proudly served in the U.S. Air Force, attaining the rank of Staff Sergeant and earning an honorable discharge as a disabled veteran. Following his military service, Neal pursued a Doctorate Degree at Colorado State University, leading to a distinguished career as a physicist at the Naval Research Laboratory and a long tenure as an educator at the College of Southern Maryland.

A faithful member of the First Baptist Church in La Plata, Neal served as an active Deacon and a dedicated Sunday School teacher, sharing his faith and wisdom with his church community.

Neal was preceded in death by his first wife, Charlotte Wilsey, as well as his brother, Russell Wilsey, and his brother-in-law Bruce MacLain, along with sisters-in-law Betty, Dottie, brothers-in-laws Jimmy (Becky), Jesse, and Jerry Koon.

He is survived by his current wife, Cookie Wilsey; his children Kevin (Maria), David (Laura), Craig (Lindsay), Keith (Tracy), Dee Dee (David), and Vycki (Bernie); his siblings, brother Chris (Linda Kay) and sister Linda (Steve); sisters-in-law Donna Wilsey, Catherine MacLain; and brothers-in-law Claud Koon and Richard (Pam) Koon. He is also survived by his cherished grandchildren Rachel (Allen), Danny, Ryan (Michael), Brian (Cicilia), Matthew, Alexandra, Noah (Claudia), Sidney, Dean, and Alan, as well as great-grandchildren Gabriel, Jesse, Oliver, Ellis, Ezekiel, Daleyza, and Scarlett.

Neal's devotion to his family, faith, and love for music were central to his life. His commitment to learning, leadership, and teaching left a lasting impact on all who knew him.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, August 13, 2024, from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM at Raymond Funeral Service, P.A., 5635 Washington Avenue, La Plata, Maryland 20646, with a prayer service at 7:00 PM.

A second visitation will take place on Wednesday, August 14, 2024, from 10:00 AM until the time of the Funeral Service at 11:00 AM at the First Baptist Church of La Plata, 9070 Hawthorne Road, La Plata, Maryland 20646. Pallbearers will include Danny, Brian, Matthew, Noah, Dean, Alan, and Michael.

Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Gardens, 3221 Mattawoman-Beantown Road, Waldorf, Maryland 20601.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Neal's name may be made to Gideons International (www.gideons.org) or the Spondylitis Association (<http://spondylitis.org/get-involved/give-in-honor-or-memory/>).

Online condolences may be shared on Neal's Tribute Wall at www.raymondffu

neralservice.com.

Cemetery Details

Trinity Memorial Gardens And Mausoleum

3221 Mattawoman-Beantown Road
Waldorf, MD 20601

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **13**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Raymond Funeral Service
5635 Washington Avenue
La Plata, MD 20646
(301) 934-2920
business.office@raymondfuneral.com
<https://www.raymondfuneralservice.com>

Visitation

AUG **14**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church of La Plata
9070 Hawthorne Road
La Plata, MD 20646

Service

AUG **14**. 11:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church of La Plata
9070 Hawthorne Road
La Plata, MD 20646

Tribute Wall

JD

“ John D. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Dr. Neal David Wilsey.



John D. - August 14, 2024 at 11:24 AM

EG

“ Neal's family at the Naval Research Laboratory express our deepest sympathy to the Wilsey family. Neal was a great mentor and friend to me when I was hired into his section back in 1987 and then when he became our branch head a couple of years later. He will be very missed. Love, Evan and Jennifer Glaser



Evan Glaser - August 14, 2024 at 10:49 AM

DN

“ Neal has a special place in our hearts. My memories from him at the First Baptist Church of St. Charles leading music, teaching my Sunday School class and serving God are precious. Bill always enjoyed his talks with Neal about science and faith. We lift Cookie and his family in prayer for God's comfort and peace. We know Neal is with Jesus and singing with my mom and so many from those special choirs! We are sorry we aren't there to pay our respects in person. Sending hugs and love, Dawn (Parthree) and Bill Nevitt.

Dawn and Bill Nevitt - August 14, 2024 at 10:23 AM

NS

“ Neelam S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dr. Neal David Wilsey.

Neelam S. - August 13, 2024 at 06:45 PM

CW

“ 1 file added to the album Memories



Craig Wilsey - August 13, 2024 at 12:45 PM

CS

“ Charles SCD Supervisors & Staff planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dr. Neal David Wilsey.

Charles SCD Supervisors & Staff - August 13, 2024 at 08:49 AM

CS

“ Charles SCD Supervisors & Staff purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Dr. Neal David Wilsey.



Charles SCD Supervisors & Staff - August 13, 2024 at 08:49 AM

FW

“ Dear Cookie, Kevin, David, Craig and Keith,
I am so very sorry for the loss of your husband and father. We were friends for many years and enjoyed being in the choir under his direction. Neal was the first person to visit us from the church when we moved to St. Charles. He was also on the committee that led to the beginning of the preschool as an outreach for the church. Neal (and Howard) are now singing in the heavenly choir and we are left with loving and precious memories of them. I know how much it hurts when you no longer have the physical presence of your loved one with you. I pray that you will feel God's comfort and strength in the days ahead. Love gives us memories and faith gives us strength. Much love and prayers,
Faye Wheeler

Faye Wheeler - August 13, 2024 at 01:05 AM

HF

“ Horning Management Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Dr. Neal David Wilsey.



Horning Management Family - August 12, 2024 at 11:44 AM

LE

“ Love from Saratoga: Jon, Judy & Emma planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dr. Neal David Wilsey.

Love from Saratoga: Jon, Judy & Emma - August 12, 2024 at 11:18 AM



“ *Your Light Shines* was purchased for the family of Dr. Neal David Wilsey.



August 12, 2024 at 11:18 AM



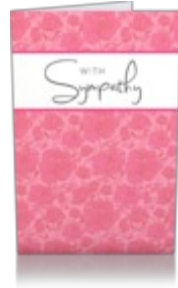
“ *Yolanda L.* purchased a sympathy card for the family of Dr. Neal David Wilsey.



Yolanda L. - August 12, 2024 at 09:50 AM



“ *Amanda S.* purchased a sympathy card for the family of Dr. Neal David Wilsey.



Amanda S. - August 12, 2024 at 09:29 AM



“ *Dave & Peggy* planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dr. Neal David Wilsey.

Dave & Peggy - August 11, 2024 at 11:11 PM

DP

“ Dave & Peggy purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Dr. Neal David Wilsey.



Dave & Peggy - August 11, 2024 at 11:11 PM

CF

“ Charles Mangum and family. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dr. Neal David Wilsey.

Charles Mangum and family. - August 11, 2024 at 02:49 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dr. Neal David Wilsey.



August 11, 2024 at 02:49 AM

FW

“ From the families of Bill and Russ Wise planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dr. Neal David Wilsey.

From the families of Bill and Russ Wise - August 10, 2024 at 08:22 PM

FW

“ From the families of Bill and Russ Wise purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Dr. Neal David Wilsey.



From the families of Bill and Russ Wise - August 10, 2024 at 08:22 PM

CM

“ Cathy, Merideth, Meghan & James MacLain planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dr. Neal David Wilsey.

Cathy, Merideth, Meghan & James MacLain - August 10, 2024 at 10:21 AM

CM

“ Cathy, Merideth, Meghan & James MacLain purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Dr. Neal David Wilsey.



Cathy, Merideth, Meghan & James MacLain - August 10, 2024 at 10:21 AM

TC

“ The Church @ St. Charles purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Dr. Neal David Wilsey.



The Church @ St. Charles - August 09, 2024 at 10:01 AM

DT

“ Delfina & Tim planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dr. Neal David Wilsey.

Delfina & Tim - August 09, 2024 at 09:46 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dr. Neal David Wilsey.



August 09, 2024 at 09:46 AM

CW

“ Charlotte Woodard purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Dr. Neal David Wilsey.



Charlotte Woodard - August 08, 2024 at 10:48 PM

BD

“ We are sorry to hear of Neal's passing. We're recalling the many years of service at the First Baptist Church of St. Charles. He sure loved serving as Music Director. With prayers - Bonnie and Dave Davis

Bonnie Davis - August 08, 2024 at 09:24 PM

MG

“ Melissa and Johnny Gutridge purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Dr. Neal David Wilsey.



Melissa and Johnny Gutridge - August 08, 2024 at 08:15 PM

MG

“ Melissa and Johnny Gutridge planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dr. Neal David Wilsey.

Melissa and Johnny Gutridge - August 08, 2024 at 08:15 PM

DM

“ Denise and Clarkson Meredith planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dr. Neal David Wilsey.

Denise and Clarkson Meredith - August 08, 2024 at 08:11 PM

DM

“ Denise and Clarkson Meredith purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Dr. Neal David Wilsey.



Denise and Clarkson Meredith - August 08, 2024 at 08:11 PM

BC

“ *Butch and Terry Cupp planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dr. Neal David Wilsey.*

Butch and Terry Cupp - August 08, 2024 at 07:54 PM

BC

“ *Butch and Terry Cupp purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Dr. Neal David Wilsey.*



Butch and Terry Cupp - August 08, 2024 at 07:54 PM

SK

“ *I have always admired and loved all the Wilsey family. I remember when he served in our church as choir director. He was a man of God, a gentle soul and a great inspiration. Prayers for the family, may God wrap his arms around all of you.
Love, Sharon Kiessling*

sharon kiessling - August 08, 2024 at 06:58 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dr. Neal David Wilsey.*



August 08, 2024 at 05:28 PM