Active Emeritus Member for this Supreme Council for the state of Ohio, died on Tuesday, March 3, 2020.
Ill. John Sharp Wright, 33°, was born on August 17, 1928. The son of George and Eva Wright, Ill. Bro. Wright attended school in Bexley, Ohio, transferring his sophomore year to Greenbrier Military School in Lewisburg, West Virginia. There, he met the love of his life and wife of 69 years, Jacquelyn Montee, who attended the nearby Greenbrier College.

After completing his Associate of Arts degree, he entered the U.S. Air Force pilot training program. He flew F-51 Mustangs and F-86 Sabre jets. At the time of his discharge, he was a Squadron Commander in the USAF Reserve, with the rank of Captain. He later transferred to the Retired Reserve.

After leaving the Air Force, Ill. Brother Wright settled in Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan with his wife, where he worked for Budd Manufacturing Company in Detroit. He entered the life insurance business, becoming a branch manager for Sun Life Assurance Co. of Canada. Brother Wright, 33°, later transferred to central Ohio, still serving as branch manager. He later joined Ohio State Life Insurance Company as a Superintendent of Agencies, with responsibility for seven states.

A member of the National Association of Financial Planners, he worked in the Trust departments for both AmeriTrust and Banc Ohio National Bank. He left Banc Ohio to join E.F. Hutton as a financial consultant and retired in 1990.

Brother Wright, 33°, was a longtime member of Worthington Presbyterian Church in Ohio. He was a Reserve Police Officer for the City of Worthington, and served the Columbus Area Chamber of Commerce as a Christopher Club Member and a Past Admiral. He is a former member of the board of directors of the Columbus Senior Citizens Placement Bureau, as well as The Quiet Birdmen, Downtown Kiwanis Club, Columbus Athletic Club, Brookside Country Club and York Golf Club.

Ill. Bro. Wright had a variety of interests. He loved cars, golfing, riding his motorcycles and flying the various airplanes he owned during his lifetime. He oversaw the family farm and loved to take his three girls there. He and his wife took many trips traveling and exploring throughout Europe. After he retired, he enjoyed building model trains and stayed active swimming, well into his 80s. Most of all, Bro. Wright, 33°, was a fun and caring family man.
Our Illustrious Brother had a distinguished career in Freemasonry:

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<td>SCOTTISH RITE</td>
<td>Completed the degrees of the Scottish Rite in the Valley of Columbus in 1962. Served as Treasurer and Executive Secretary. Ill Bro. Wright also served as Chair for the Finance, Investment, Endowment, and Masonic Temple Association Committees.</td>
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<td>YORK RITE</td>
<td>Became a member of Columbus Community Chapter #227 Royal Arch Masons in 1971, a member of Columbus Council No. 8 Royal and Select Masons in 1977, and a member of Columbus Commandery No. 69 Knights Templar of Ohio in 1976. Elected as Knight Companion of St. Jerome Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine, in 1986, and served as Sovereign in 2004.</td>
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<td>SUPREME COUNCIL</td>
<td>Ill. Bro. Wright was coroneted a 33° Mason and Honorary Member of the Supreme Council, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, Northern Masonic Jurisdiction on September 28, 1983. He was elected an Active Member of the Supreme Council in Boston, Massachusetts, on September 1, 1993.</td>
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A memorial service will be held on July 17, 2020 at 1 p.m. at Worthington Presbyterian Church, 773 High Street, Worthington, Ohio 43085.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Charity Newsies, 4300 Indianola Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43214, or Worthington Presbyterian Church.

It is hereby directed that this Balustre be communicated to each Body of the Rite, and be suitably mentioned at the first meeting after its receipt.

May our Heavenly Father have him in His Holy Keeping.

Attest:

III. David A. Glattly, 33°
Sovereign Grand Commander

III. Douglas R. Policastro, 33°
Grand Secretary General