

Descendants of Gordon Richard Wright

Generation No. 1

1. GORDON RICHARD² WRIGHT (*RICHARD PHILIP*¹) was born February 22, 1909 in Oak Lake Manitoba¹, and died February 07, 1989 in Transcona Manitoba. He married ISABELLA MCFARLANE PURDEN May 07, 1936 in Transcona Manitoba. She was born March 27, 1913 in Scotland.

Notes for GORDON RICHARD WRIGHT:

Born in Oak Lake Manitoba in 1909, the family later moved to Suthwyn Manitoba (Deacon's Corner) in 1922, first renting the Block family home. Then in 1926 his father Richard, rented the house belonging to the superintendent of the Greater Winnipeg Waterworks Railway, which was the only remaining building on the site of the village of Deacon.

Gordon, in his early years, enjoyed singing, much like his mother did.

Married in April of 1936, Gordon and bride Isa first rented a house on Dugald Road in South Transcona where, a year later, their first children, twins Mary and Gordon, were born. They later moved into Transcona on Victoria Avenue west, where Colin was born on February 14th 1941.

Shortly after his marriage Gordon gained employment with the Town of Transcona, where he eventually became Superintendent of Public works. In 1957 he decided to change jobs, moving to Selkirk Manitoba, where he accepted a similar position until retiring in 1968.

Shortly thereafter, Gordon and Isa moved into their cottage at Star Lake in the Whiteshell Provincial Park, which Isa's father, Colin Purdin built in 1949. They spent the next 14 years wintering in Anaheim California, eventually selling the summer cottage in 1980, to move back to Winnipeg.

Gordon enjoyed gardening, meeting people (or, as he would say "chewing the fat") and the company of his many grandchildren as they arrived. Both Gordon and Isa loved bowling, having played in leagues in Transcona and Selkirk until retiring. Sadly, Gordon passed away in 1968.

His family misses his friendly personality and wonderful sense of humour.

More About GORDON WRIGHT and ISABELLA PURDEN:

Marriage: May 07, 1936, Transcona Manitoba

Children of GORDON WRIGHT and ISABELLA PURDEN are:

2. i. GORDON RICHARD³ WRIGHT, b. April 03, 1937, St Boniface Hospital.
3. ii. MARY PURDEN WRIGHT, b. April 03, 1937, St Boniface Hospital.
4. iii. COLIN PURDEN WRIGHT, b. February 14, 1941, Winnipeg Man.

Generation No. 2

2. GORDON RICHARD³ WRIGHT (*GORDON RICHARD*², *RICHARD PHILIP*¹) was born April 03, 1937 in St Boniface Hospital. He married JOY ARLEEN KURTZ November 06, 1959 in Winnipeg. She was born April 14, 1939.

Notes for GORDON RICHARD WRIGHT:

Gordon and Joy were transferred in November 1959 to Edmonton, Alberta with the CNR. Shortly after arriving in Edmonton, Gordon decided to leave the railway and went to work for Fiberglas Canada Ltd.

Gordon served his apprenticeship as a Machinist but while in the employ of Fiberglas, managed to get his Millwright Ticket. It served him well having two designations.

While living in Edmonton, Gordon and Joy had 3 children. Richard, Kurt and Lisa. Seven years later they

decided they missed family and the Manitoba lakes and pulled up stakes to return to Winnipeg. While in Winnipeg, Gordon worked in the printing industry and cement industry. He retired in 1996.

Gordon, in 1982 built their cabin at Lake Winnipeg which they thoroughly enjoy.

Gordon and Joy look back on their lives and thank the Lord for all the blessings he has given them.

Notes for JOY ARLEEN KURTZ:

Joy worked as an Executive Secretary for the St. Vital School Division and then went on to try out the life of a politician (school trustee). She served nine years on the Board. Her slogan in each campaign "Make the Wright Choice" and they always did.

Gordon and Joy look back on their lives and thank the Lord for all the blessings he has given them.

More About GORDON WRIGHT and JOY KURTZ:

Marriage: November 06, 1959, Winnipeg

Children of GORDON WRIGHT and JOY KURTZ are:

5. i. RICHARD CHARLES⁴ WRIGHT, b. June 08, 1960, Edmonton Alberta.
6. ii. JAMES KIRT WRIGHT, b. October 17, 1961, Edmonton Alberta.
7. iii. LISA GAYE WRIGHT, b. May 13, 1963, Edmonton Alberta.

3. MARY PURDEN³ WRIGHT (*GORDON RICHARD², RICHARD PHILIP¹*) was born April 03, 1937 in St Boniface Hospital. She married WILLIAM LEONARD PEDRICK September 21, 1957 in Transcona. He was born June 14, 1929 in where.

More About WILLIAM PEDRICK and MARY WRIGHT:

Marriage: September 21, 1957, Transcona

Children of MARY WRIGHT and WILLIAM PEDRICK are:

8. i. KATHRYN JOY⁴ PEDRICK, b. October 03, 1960, St Boniface Manitoba.
- ii. LORNA PEDRICK, b. August 1962; d. August 1962.
- iii. LESLIE DAWN PEDRICK, b. January 16, 1965; m. BRADLEY JAMES GOERZEN, September 20, 1990, Winnipeg.

More About BRADLEY GOERZEN and LESLIE PEDRICK:

Marriage: September 20, 1990, Winnipeg

9. iv. DEREK WILLIAM PEDRICK, b. December 29, 1970, WINNIPEG.

4. COLIN PURDEN³ WRIGHT (*GORDON RICHARD², RICHARD PHILIP¹*) was born February 14, 1941 in Winnipeg Man. He married MAUREEN GAIL BRAIDWOOD June 13, 1964 in Victoria, British Columbia. She was born August 03, 1944 in Farnborough England.

Notes for COLIN PURDEN WRIGHT:

2000: Colin is currently Vice President of Equity Capital Marketing for R.B.C. Dominion Securities in Toronto Ontario and resides in Oakville Ontario.

He recently constructed a beautiful all season cottage on Gibi Lake, near Kenora Ontario, where he and his expanding family plan to spend many memorable summers.

2005: Colin is retired

More About COLIN WRIGHT and MAUREEN BRAIDWOOD:

Marriage: June 13, 1964, Victoria, British Columbia

Children of COLIN WRIGHT and MAUREEN BRAIDWOOD are:

10. i. DAVID COLIN⁴ WRIGHT, b. June 08, 1966, Winnipeg.
11. ii. SCOTT ROBERT WRIGHT, b. October 01, 1970, Winnipeg Man.
- iii. JANICE CORINNE JOY WRIGHT, b. July 11, 1974, Winnipeg Man; m. BRIAN ?.

Notes for JANICE CORINNE JOY WRIGHT:

2000: Janice graduated in 1997 from McMaster University in Hamilton Ontario with an Honours Bachelor of Science degree.

She is employed by McMaster's Department of Medicine as a research assistant. As part of the Canadian Cardiovascular Collaboration, she manages and coordinates adjudication for international clinical trials.

Janice enjoys downhill skiing, as well as water skiing at the family cottage at Gibbi Lake, and loves being "Auntie" to Emily and Katelyn.

2005: Janice is quality assurance manager at the head office of Shaklee Canada.

Generation No. 3

5. RICHARD CHARLES⁴ WRIGHT (*GORDON RICHARD*³, *GORDON RICHARD*², *RICHARD PHILIP*¹) was born June 08, 1960 in Edmonton Alberta. He married SANDRA MICHALOW July 18, 1981 in Winnipeg. She was born July 10, 1960 in Beausejour, Manitoba.

Notes for RICHARD CHARLES WRIGHT:

"Adventuresome souls who moved from Winnipeg in late 1990 to Fort Simpson, in the Northwest Territories, some 3000 kms away from 'home' and families.

Toting 6 yr old Nathan and 3 yr old Andrew, and after a gruelling 12 hour per day drive, 3 day trip in a small, compact Hyundai Pony, arrived safely (if not a little frazzled) and settled in for a 13 yr haul in the Great "Wright" North, (as we loved to call it).

Rick is a 3rd Class Power Engineer, which is why we moved to the Northwest Territories. Great opportunity to work in the Government, travelling to the different community settlements, overseeing much of the Deh Cho Region's Government Building's maintenance and project work.

Rick, Sandy and Andrew (now attending U or W) moved back to their roots in January of 2004, and are sittin' put in North Kildonan, Winnipeg. He has continued in his trade since we have returned, with a mixing of a few other career opportunities he always wanted to try his hand in.

Nathan remained in Red Deer, Alberta, where he attended College, and is making his home there."

Notes for SANDRA MICHALOW:

Sandy has worked in Financial Institutions in Wpg prior to leaving for the North, but since the boys were born, it had only been on a part time basis.

Up North though, she expanded her horizons, and worked as a House Cleaner, Commercial Bldg Cleaner, Music Teacher, back into the Banking business, and the last 4 years was a Manager in a Petroleum Bulk Plant. She is now (2005) the Receptionist at the Manitoba Blue Cross Corporate Offices.

More About RICHARD WRIGHT and SANDRA MICHALOW:

Marriage: July 18, 1981, Winnipeg

Children of RICHARD WRIGHT and SANDRA MICHALOW are:

- i. NATHAN⁵ WRIGHT, b. June 22, 1984.

Notes for NATHAN WRIGHT:

Nathan does Well Testing for an Oil Company in Red Deer, Alberta. Unfortunately, because of the nature of

Nathan's career-choice business, vacation scheduling time is very last minute.

Both Nathan and Andrew were involved in many sports up in the Territories, and as such, had many travelling opportunities. They are both still fully involved with indoor soccer, Andrew as a Coach for Junior members and both as Adult players in the Recreational Leagues.

Nathan attended the Canada Summer Games in London, Ontario in 2001 as a member of the NWT Soccer Team.

- ii. ANDREW WRIGHT, b. September 18, 1987.

Notes for ANDREW WRIGHT:

Both Nathan and Andrew were involved in many sports up in the Territories, and as such, had many travelling opportunities. They are both still fully involved with indoor soccer, Andrew as a Coach for Junior members and both as Adult players in the Recreational Leagues.

Andrew has twice represented the NWT in the Arctic Winter Games, as a soccer player, first flying to Gnuuk, Greenland in 2002, and travelling to Fort McMurray, Alberta in 2004.

6. JAMES KIRT⁴ WRIGHT (*GORDON RICHARD³, GORDON RICHARD², RICHARD PHILIP¹*) was born October 17, 1961 in Edmonton Alberta. He married DARLENE FAYE LESIUK October 25, 1986 in ?.

More About JAMES WRIGHT and DARLENE LESIUK:

Marriage: October 25, 1986, ?

Child of JAMES WRIGHT and DARLENE LESIUK is:

- i. BRANDON RIEL⁵ WRIGHT, b. May 25, 1997.

7. LISA GAYE⁴ WRIGHT (*GORDON RICHARD³, GORDON RICHARD², RICHARD PHILIP¹*) was born May 13, 1963 in Edmonton Alberta. She married DONALD CHENEL May 12, 1990 in Winnipeg.

Notes for LISA GAYE WRIGHT:

email from Lisa Nov 16/05:

" Lisa graduated from nursing school in 1983 and continues to nurse today.
She met her husband at Grand Beach, Manitoba, where her parents have a summer cottage.

Don was stationed there working as an R.C.M.P. officer.

In 1995 they moved to Grand Falls, being posted there until 1999,
when they were transferred to Ottawa, O.N.
In 2002, they were again transferred - back to the Maritimes, in Fredericton N.B."

email from Gordon & Joy - June 21 2006 :

" Lisa and Don are on the move again and presently do not have email.
They have now been transferred back to Ottawa.
Could you update your records. Thanks "

More About DONALD CHENEL and LISA WRIGHT:

Marriage: May 12, 1990, Winnipeg

Children of LISA WRIGHT and DONALD CHENEL are:

- i. PAUL JOSEPH⁵ CHENEL, b. July 10, 1994.
- ii. LIAM CHRISTIAN CHENEL, b. November 19, 1999.

8. KATHRYN JOY⁴ PEDRICK (*MARY PURDEN³ WRIGHT, GORDON RICHARD², RICHARD PHILIP¹*) was born October

03, 1960 in St Boniface Manitoba. She married JEAN-PIERRE ROMANO June 24, 1989 in Winnipeg Manitoba Canada. He was born December 10, 1949 in Marseilles, France.

Notes for KATHRYN JOY PEDRICK:
excerpt of Email from Kathy Pedrick, October 13/2005:

" . . . The Romano Family

Jean-Pierre, JP, was born in Marseilles, France and emigrated to the United States, met Kathryn (or Kathy) in the United States in 1985. Long distance romance continued for two years, until Kathy moved to Los Angeles.

JP and Kathy were married in Winnipeg, June 1989. Kathy pursued her college degree and JP continued to do amazing stunts in movies and TV. Both enjoyed sailing around Santa Monica Bay and to the island, Catalina.

After several years, they started their family with the arrival of Chantal Joy, December 30, 1998. Our newest blessing Dominique Joy, arrived August 16, 2004. As a family, we still try to sail, although we are now looking for a bigger boat. We live in West Hills, suburb of the sprawling Los Angeles, have a pool.

Kathy is a real estate paralegal with an international law firm in Los Angeles, JP is continuing stunting, currently working on "Pirates of the Caribbean", Chantal is enjoying the challenges of grade 1 and AYSO soccer, and Dominique keeps amazing us with her sweet face and beautiful disposition and we all look forward to visits from our relatives from the Great White North!

Life is good! "

More About JEAN-PIERRE ROMANO and KATHRYN PEDRICK:
Marriage: June 24, 1989, Winnipeg Manitoba Canada

Children of KATHRYN PEDRICK and JEAN-PIERRE ROMANO are:
i. CHANTAL JOY⁵ ROMANO, b. December 30, 1998, UCLA, Los Angeles, CA.
ii. DOMINIQUE JOY MORANO, b. August 16, 2004, UCLA, Los Angeles, CA.

9. DEREK WILLIAM⁴ PEDRICK (*MARY PURDEN³ WRIGHT, GORDON RICHARD², RICHARD PHILIP¹*) was born December 29, 1970 in WINNIPEG. He married LISA ANNE HINGEY September 06, 1997 in Winnipeg. She was born August 29, 1966 in Winnipeg Manitoba.

Notes for DEREK WILLIAM PEDRICK:
2006:

Derek is shop foreman of Custom Pre-cast on Redonda St. Transcona. He has been employed there for the past 13 years, making pre-cast concrete buildings.

Loves working with concrete so much he decided to start his own concrete paving business this summer called Pedrick's Paving.

Notes for LISA ANNE HINGEY:
2006:

Lisa worked at Great West Life right out of high school. Left and pursued a degree in Fashion Design from the University of Manitoba.

Dabbled in Fashion for a couple years and then decided to return to Great West Life until March of 2006 at which time she chose a new and exciting career with the Winnipeg Police as a 911 call taker.

More About DEREK PEDRICK and LISA HINGEY:
Marriage: September 06, 1997, Winnipeg

Children of DEREK PEDRICK and LISA HINGEY are:
i. LAURYN ANNE⁵ PEDRICK, b. March 01, 1999, Winnipeg.

Notes for LAURYN ANNE PEDRICK:

2006:

Loves to draw and is very good at it. Would like to be an artist one day..... Lauryn is in grade 1 at John de Graff Elementary and is really enjoying school. She loves to play soccer in the summer and gymnastics in the winter.

- ii. TY WILLIAM PEDRICK, b. April 27, 2002, Winnipeg Manitoba.

Notes for TY WILLIAM PEDRICK:

2006:

Loves to play soccer and hockey with dad. Looking forward to starting pre-school in September.

10. DAVID COLIN⁴ WRIGHT (*COLIN PURDEN³, GORDON RICHARD², RICHARD PHILIP¹*) was born June 08, 1966 in Winnipeg. He married MAUREEN MULVENNY September 18, 1993 in Winnipeg. She was born September 01, 1967 in ?.

Notes for DAVID COLIN WRIGHT:

Dave is currently employed by True North Entertainment Corp and is a Bldg Engineer, in charge of building mechanical including ice at the MTS Centre.

He and wife Maureen are avid gardeners and enjoy their five acres in the county. They also own and run a 500 hive Honey bee farm

Notes for MAUREEN MULVENNY:

Maureen is a stay at home Mom ,works at thier bee farm and works casually in the office for All Fab Building Components Inc / Olympic Builders Supply, in Transcona.

Maureen and David have 3 great Girls ages 10, 5 and 4, (in 2005) a dog Taffy and now a horse named Ginger.

More About DAVID WRIGHT and MAUREEN MULVENNY:

Marriage: September 18, 1993, Winnipeg

Children of DAVID WRIGHT and MAUREEN MULVENNY are:

- i. KATELYN MARIE⁵ WRIGHT, b. June 30, 1995.

Notes for KATELYN MARIE WRIGHT:

2006 -

Katelyn is a very pretty girl, loves her computer and the company of her German sheperd 'Mitzi'(died). She also loves horse back riding lessons And riding our horse Ginger. She won 3rd in barrelling racing at the ranch.

- ii. KAYLEY MAUREEN WRIGHT, b. April 19, 2000, WINNIPEG.

Notes for KAYLEY MAUREEN WRIGHT:

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Kayley, if ever looking for kayley she can usually be found playing her favorite thing Gamecube. She also loves swimming lessons.

- iii. JENNY BREANNA WRIGHT, b. August 22, 2001, Winnipeg.

Notes for JENNY BREANNA WRIGHT:

2006 -

Jenny is a busy little girl always doing something. She loves swimming lessons, baton, and visiting and

feeding dandelions to our horse Ginger .

11. SCOTT ROBERT⁴ WRIGHT (*COLIN PURDEN³, GORDON RICHARD², RICHARD PHILIP¹*) was born October 01, 1970 in Winnipeg Man. He married STEPHANIE TARA BENNETT December 29, 1995 in Kitchener, Ontario. She was born October 11, 1970.

Notes for SCOTT ROBERT WRIGHT:

Scott graduated (Summa Cum Laude) from McMaster University in Hamilton Ontario in 1992 with a Bachelor of Science Honours degree. Following further studies, he graduated in 1995 from Queens University, Kingston Ontario with a Master of Science Degree. and in 1998 from the University of Western Ontario Medical School in London Ontario .

2000: Scott doing his residency in Family Medicine at Toronto East General Hospital.

2005: Scot and Stefanie are both family physicians with their own private practice in Waterloo, ON.

Notes for STEPHANIE TARA BENNETT:

Stephanie graduated (Summa Cum Laude) from McMaster University in 1992 with a Bachelor of Arts and Science degree. In 1996 she graduated from the University of Western Ontario Medical School in London Ontario.

At present Dr. Stephanie Wright is in private practice in Oakville Ontario.

Stephanie and Scott are excited about the upcoming arrival of their second child in July 2000.

More About SCOTT WRIGHT and STEPHANIE BENNETT:

Marriage: December 29, 1995, Kitchener, Ontario

Children of SCOTT WRIGHT and STEPHANIE BENNETT are:

- i. EMILY JANICE⁵ WRIGHT, b. April 02, 1998.

Notes for EMILY JANICE WRIGHT:

Emily is "too cute", a very happy child with a wonderful sense of humour. She enjoys her swimming lessons and gymnastics, loves animals, especially her black labrador, 'Hayley'!

Emilys sports are figure skating and gymnastics. Also takes piano lessons, tap dancing and ballet.

- ii. MATHEW JAMES WRIGHT, b. August 02, 2000.

Notes for MATHEW JAMES WRIGHT:

Mathew participates in gymnastics, skating, and attends hockey school.

Endnotes

1. Obituary Notice - Winnipeg Free Press.