

Descendants of Preston John Wright

Generation No. 1

1. PRESTON JOHN² WRIGHT (*RICHARD PHILIP*¹) was born June 23, 1911 in Oak Lake, Manitoba, and died August 13, 1982 in Sudbury Ontario. He married BEATRICE COLEMAN August 25, 1938 in Sudbury¹. She was born January 11, 1920 in Forrester's Falls, Ontario.

Notes for PRESTON JOHN WRIGHT:

Some notes about Preston from his sons, Robert and Don

During the "dirty thirties", as the great depression years have come to be called in Canada, Preston and his twin brother Cecil boarded a train heading for Montreal, in search of work. The train stopped for water in Sudbury and the two of them got off to stretch their legs. Speaking with the local railway policeman, they asked about job prospects in Sudbury, and were told that INCO was hiring that very day!

They both were fortunate to get jobs - Cecil in the tire shop with the Froid Mine, Preston as a labourer in the Coppercliff smelter with International Nickel Company (INCO) in Sudbury, during 1937.

In 1938, Preston met the former Beatrice Coleman in Sudbury. Their first date was to take her to church. Bea worked as a domestic until they married, then they had five children, one of whom, Susan, was stillborn.

During his 34 years at INCO, he became a fully qualified journeyman electrician. He picked up a nickname "Smiley" early on because of his friendly outgoing manner. Later this changed to 'Mainliner' for the years he spent in the transportation department. However he was best known for the many years he was 'Wright the Electrician' at INCO, and around Sudbury.

In the early '40's, when the family needs expanded due to the arrival of three children, they bought a small house south of Sudbury, in Lockerby. In 1948, Preston built his 1 1/2 story family home on Martindale Road, which is still in the family today.

Tragedy struck in 1949, when their second daughter, Susan Christine, was stillborn at birth. However, the very next year Doreen was born, which was a godsend to them both.

Preston enjoyed travelling and brought his family 'back home' to Transcona Manitoba many times over the years. While Bea and Pres have been all across Canada, a vacation highlight was their 35th wedding anniversary trip to England in 1973, given to them by their children and families. Several years after that, he and his son Don vacationed in Europe. Preston and Bea travelled often to son Robert's cottage in the Haliburton Highlands, helping build and enjoy the cottage life experience.

Preston was a very generous, outgoing, family oriented man who helped out all his children in one way or another, asking nothing in return except love, and respect for his role as a father.

In 1978, Preston had the first of a series of strokes that eventually led to his passing on August 13, 1982. He is buried in Park Lawn Cemetery in Sudbury.

More About PRESTON WRIGHT and BEATRICE COLEMAN:

Marriage: August 25, 1938, Sudbury¹

Children of PRESTON WRIGHT and BEATRICE COLEMAN are:

2. i. DONALD WAYNE³ WRIGHT, b. August 20, 1939, Sudbury Ontario.
3. ii. ROBERT PRESTON WRIGHT, b. June 16, 1941, Sudbury Ontario.
4. iii. MARION FRANCIS WRIGHT, b. June 27, 1942, Sudbury Ontario.
- iv. SUSAN CHRISTINE WRIGHT, b. June 16, 1949, Sudbury Ontario; d. June 16, 1949, Sudbury Ontario.
5. v. DOREEN WRIGHT, b. September 11, 1950, Sudbury Ontario.

Generation No. 2

2. DONALD WAYNE³ WRIGHT (*PRESTON JOHN*², *RICHARD PHILIP*¹) was born August 20, 1939 in Sudbury Ontario. He married (1) VIRGINIA JOAN ALLEN 1963 in Sudbury. She was born in Sudbury Ontario. He met (2) BEVERLY WOOD-SAUVE 1987 in Sudbury. She was born in ?.

Notes for DONALD WAYNE WRIGHT:

Don grew up in Sudbury, Ontario and took his post secondary education at the Ontario College of Art in Toronto, completing the four year Industrial Design degree course. He was employed across eastern Canada in various aspects of the profession since 1963, working on projects from Newfoundland to Manitoba while being based in Saint John N.B., Charlottown P.E.I., and Fredericton N.B.

In 1983 he moved back to Sudbury to continue his profession, establishing his own company.

His marriage to "Ginny" ended in divorce. Don met Beverly in 1987 and they have been together since then.

More About DONALD WRIGHT and VIRGINIA ALLEN:

Divorce: 1983

Marriage: 1963, Sudbury

Notes for BEVERLY WOOD-SAUVE:

Bev is a recently retired bank manager in Sudbury. In late 1999 she took on a part time accounting position with the newly created casino in Sudbury. She enjoys her summers at her lakefront cottage on Lake Nippising.

More About DONALD WRIGHT and BEVERLY WOOD-SAUVE:

Partners: 1987, Sudbury

Children of DONALD WRIGHT and VIRGINIA ALLEN are:

- i. MANDA LEE⁴ WRIGHT, b. May 19, 1965, Charlottetown P.E.I. Canada; m. GLEN JOSEPH LANGILLE, August 06, 2005, Halifax. Nova Scotia; b. February 15, 1962, Dartmouth Nova Scotia.

Notes for MANDA LEE WRIGHT:

Educated in Fredericton, Manda obtained a diploma in Business Administration specializing in Marketing at Moncton N.B. On graduating, she was employed as the advertising manager for a large independent department store (Calp's Ltd.) in Saint John N.B.

After three years working, she broadened her education with a Baccalaureate of Fine Arts in fine art degree (Major in Photography, Minor in Art History) and a Baccalaureate of Design in communication design, both from the Nova Scotia College of Art & Design in Halifax.

Manda currently teaches Media Design in the Faculty of Arts Multimedia Studies Program at the University of New Brunswick. She is also a freelance graphic designer and a member of Osprey Virtual Marketing in Fredericton.

Notes for GLEN JOSEPH LANGILLE:

Glenn is a pre-school teacher in Fredericton and currently studying for his Masters in Early Childhood Education.

Glenn is also employed as a client services worker for the New Brunswick Association for Community living. He is also an accomplished drummer.

More About GLEN LANGILLE and MANDA WRIGHT:

Partners: August 06, 2005, Halifax. Nova Scotia

- ii. STEPHEN DONALD WRIGHT, b. October 14, 1970, Fredericton N.B..

Notes for STEPHEN DONALD WRIGHT:

Educated in Fredericton, Steven graduated from the Atlantic Business College in Fredericton, followed by a four year apprenticeship in welding technologies, attaining his journeyman's papers. He has followed this with a second apprenticeship as a journeyman fitter and will graduate from this in mid 2000.

Steve resides in his own home on an country acreage west of Fredericton.

6. iii. JENNIFER LYNN WRIGHT, b. January 08, 1973, Fredericton N.B..

3. ROBERT PRESTON³ WRIGHT (*PRESTON JOHN², RICHARD PHILIP¹*) was born June 16, 1941 in Sudbury Ontario. He married (1) LILA DEANA JAMIESON October 10, 1964 in Toronto Ontario. She was born April 22, 1944 in Sarnia Ontario. He married (2) JOAN ELLEN CARMICHAEL June 22, 1996 in Markham Ontario. She was born October 25, 1951 in St Thomas, Ontario.

Notes for ROBERT PRESTON WRIGHT:

Robert grew up in Sudbury, Ontario and upon his graduation in 1959 from Nickel District Collegiate, he worked for a year before going to Ryerson Polytechnical Institute in 1960. He was a structural steel draftsman at Noront Steel, with INCO as an electrical apprentice and as a draftsman with the Department of National Defence at a Pine Tree Radar Station in nearby Falconbridge. He took his post-secondary education in the Architectural Technology Dept. at Ryerson, graduating in 1963.

In 1964 he married Lila Deana Jamieson of Sarnia Ontario.

He worked for various Architectural firms in Toronto until 1968, when he became a technological studies teacher in Scarborough, Ontario. In 1977 he graduated from the extension department of the University of Toronto with a Bachelor of Arts degree. In 1985 he was promoted to Technical Director with the Toronto District School Board, retiring in 1998, after a 30 year career in education.

During this time two children were born, Stephanie Diane in 1973 and Melissa-Anne in 1983.

In 1973 he purchased a cottage lot on Little Kennisis Lake in Haliburton and designed and built a tri-level cottage that the family still enjoys.

His marriage to Lila Jamieson ended in Divorce in 1994.

On June 22, 1996 he married Ellen Joan Carmichael and they currently reside in Newmarket, Ont.

More About ROBERT WRIGHT and LILA JAMIESON:

Divorce: December 07, 1995, Toronto Ontario

Marriage: October 10, 1964, Toronto Ontario

Notes for JOAN ELLEN CARMICHAEL:

Joan was born on October 25, 1951 in St. Thomas Ontario. After graduation from high school, she attended the University of Western Ontario, graduating with a Bachelor of Arts majoring in Mathematics.

In 1976 she obtained her Chartered Accounting designation. In 1975 she married Larry Pentz and was divorced in 1980.

2004:

She currently is the Controller for Vibro-Accoustics, an engineering / manufacturing company in Scarborough, Ontario.

2006:

She currently is the Controller for Fellowes Canada Ltd, a distributor of Office Products accorss Canada, based in Markham, Ontario

More About ROBERT WRIGHT and JOAN CARMICHAEL:

Marriage: June 22, 1996, Markham Ontario

Children of ROBERT WRIGHT and LILA JAMIESON are:

7. i. STEPHANIE DIANE⁴ WRIGHT, b. April 16, 1973, Pickering Ontario.

 ii. MELISSA-ANNE WRIGHT, b. May 04, 1983, Markham Ontario; m. MARK ROUSEAU.

Notes for MELISSA-ANNE WRIGHT:

Educated in Markham and Newmarket, Ontario. Upon graduation from Huron Heights Secondary School in Newmarket, she attended Humber College in Interior Design from 2002 to 2004.

Melissa has just graduated from George Brown Community College with a diploma in Events Planning from 2004 to 2006.

While employed at Windermere Lodge on Lake Rousseau on the registration and reservation desk during the summers of 2002 to 2004, she met Mark Rousseau, who graduated from Cambrian College in Sudbury in Culinary Arts.

Mark currently manages the Duke of York Restaurant in First Canada Place, Toronto. They became engaged at Christmas 2005 with the wedding planned for Sept. 2007 at Windermere Lodge in Muskoka, Ontario.

Child of ROBERT WRIGHT and JOAN CARMICHAEL is:

- iii. JENNA⁴ WRIGHT, b. October 27, 1999, Kingissep, Russia.

Notes for JENNA WRIGHT:

2002:

Attending grade 1 at Franklin Street Public School in Markham, Ontario. Jenna gets great enjoyment from playing piano.

4. MARION FRANCIS³ WRIGHT (*PRESTON JOHN², RICHARD PHILIP¹*) was born June 27, 1942 in Sudbury Ontario. She married RUSSELL GEORGE JOHN KIVINNEN September 28, 1963 in Sudbury. He was born August 29, 1938 in Sudbury, Ontario, and died August 29, 1977 in Parry Sound, Ontario.

Notes for RUSSELL GEORGE JOHN KIVINNEN:

Russ was killed in a very unfortunate auto accident near Parry Sound, Ontario. The entire family were going for a holiday in Toronto to the C.N.E. Two of their children, Geoff and Mary, were also taken in the crash

More About RUSSELL KIVINNEN and MARION WRIGHT:

Marriage: September 28, 1963, Sudbury

Children of MARION WRIGHT and RUSSELL KIVINNEN are:

- 8. i. GREGORY RUSSELL⁴ KIVINNEN, b. July 21, 1964, Sudbury Ontario.
- ii. GEOFFREY JAMES KIVINNEN, b. August 18, 1966, Sudbury Ontario; d. August 29, 1977, Parry Sound, Ontario.
- iii. MARY KATHERINE KIVINNEN, b. January 05, 1972, Sudbury Ontario; d. August 29, 1977, Parry Sound, Ontario.

5. DOREEN³ WRIGHT (*PRESTON JOHN², RICHARD PHILIP¹*) was born September 11, 1950 in Sudbury Ontario. She married HARVEY RANSOM February 21, 1970 in Sudbury. He was born May 25, 1948 in Sudbury Ontario.

More About HARVEY RANSOM and DOREEN WRIGHT:

Marriage: February 21, 1970, Sudbury

Children of DOREEN WRIGHT and HARVEY RANSOM are:

- 9. i. RACHEL⁴ RANSOM, b. July 31, 1970, Sudbury Ontario.
- 10. ii. CHRISTOPHER RANSOM.

Generation No. 3

6. JENNIFER LYNN⁴ WRIGHT (*DONALD WAYNE³, PRESTON JOHN², RICHARD PHILIP¹*) was born January 08, 1973 in Fredericton N.B.². She married (1) CHRIS WILKINSON September 1999. He was born December 29, 1970 in

Woodstock N.B.. She met (2) MARTY DONALD LADDS Unknown. He was born August 16, 1970 in Fredericton N.B..

Notes for JENNIFER LYNN WRIGHT:

e-mail - 30/Nov 2001 from Jennifer Wright: jennymarty44@hotmail.com

First of all, I want to sincerely thank you for sending me the current results of the Wright family tree search! You cannot imagine what it means to me. I have felt so cut-off from my family roots all of my life as a result of growing up in a place so remote to all of you.

I hope your search for ancestral information remains as fruitful as it appears to have been to date. I possess a strong sense of family and wish I had been able to spend more time getting to know my extended family better than occasional visits have allowed.

I hope to see more progress as you add to the website you have created, it shall be interesting to see!

You mentioned that any incorrect information noted should be sent to you so: I did note that my birthdate is written as January 8, 1974. The correct date is January 8, 1973. I am presently in my second year at Saint Thomas University attempting a Bachelor of Arts Degree, Honours in Philosophy, Minor in Psychology program.

Chris Wikinson was born December 29, 1970 in Woodstock, NB, and I met him in April of 1991. We officially married in September of 1999, and I am now awaiting the judgement of divorce.

We have 2 children: Elizabeth Emily Wright, June 3, 1992, and Amber Angela Wilkinson, January 12, 1996. They continue to reside with me here in Fredericton, NB. They both seem to possess something in character I have heard termed "The 'Ol Wright Willpower", and are promising little prospects.

I am presently partnered with Marty Donald Ladds, born August 16, 1970, in Fredericton, NB, and he is attending the University of NB, attempting a Bachelor of Applied Arts degree.

Oh, one more thing, my parents separated in 1983, but did not officially divorce until I was 18 yrs old (early 1991).

I hope that helps, although I imagine your hunger for facts is mostly for ancestral facts. However, it is good to keep the tree up to date as much as possible in order to help future generations discover thier roots. Happy hunting, and once again, thank you so much for the information. Feel free to write anytime!

Jennifer Wright

Notes for CHRIS WILKINSON:

Chris is employed on municipal construction projects for the City of Fredericton.

More About CHRIS WILKINSON and JENNIFER WRIGHT:

Divorce: Pending (10/2001)

Marriage: September 1999

More About MARTY LADDS and JENNIFER WRIGHT:

Partners: Unknown

Children of JENNIFER WRIGHT and CHRIS WILKINSON are:

- i. ELIZABETH EMILY⁵ WRIGHT, b. June 03, 1992.
- ii. AMBER ANGELA WILKINSON, b. January 12, 1996.

Notes for AMBER ANGELA WILKINSON:

Amber survived a serious bout of Meningicocal Menigitis in 1998, that has left her with a hearing impairment.

7. STEPHANIE DIANE⁴ WRIGHT (*ROBERT PRESTON³, PRESTON JOHN², RICHARD PHILIP¹*) was born April 16, 1973 in Pickering Ontario. She married DAVID GEDDES June 06, 1998 in Souffville Ontario. He was born July 15,

1969 in Scarborough Ontario.

Notes for STEPHANIE DIANE WRIGHT:
email from Steph 2001:

Educated in Pickering and Markham, Ontario. Upon graduation from Markham District High School, she obtained a five year Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree and a concurrent Bachelor of Education Degree from York University in 1997.

She is currently (2001) on staff of Sir William Lyon MacKenzie Secondary School in Richmond Hill, Ontario.

On June 6, 1998, she married David Geddes who is a I.T. supervisor at Insystems Technology in Unionville, Ontario.

On March 19, 2001, their first child, Shannon was born.

More About DAVID GEDDES and STEPHANIE WRIGHT:
Marriage: June 06, 1998, Souffville Ontario

Children of STEPHANIE WRIGHT and DAVID GEDDES are:

- i. SHANNON DELANEY⁵ GEDDES, b. March 19, 2001.
- ii. RACHAEL SHAUGHNESY GEDDES, b. February 27, 2003.

Notes for RACHAEL SHAUGHNESY GEDDES:
Great news:

It is with great pleasure to inform you that Stephanie & Dave Geddes have a new baby sister for Shannon. Rachael was born at noon on Thur Feb 27 @ Markham-Stouffville Hospital, weighting in @ 9lb 6oz. Both mother and baby are doing fine and will be back home on Sat.

Grandfather Robert

8. GREGORY RUSSELL⁴ KIVINEN (*MARION FRANCIS³ WRIGHT, PRESTON JOHN², RICHARD PHILIP¹*) was born July 21, 1964 in Sudbury Ontario. He married LINDA RUGGERS December 01, 1990 in London Ontario. She was born December 28, 1962 in London Ontario.

More About GREGORY KIVINEN and LINDA RUGGERS:
Marriage: December 01, 1990, London Ontario

Children of GREGORY KIVINEN and LINDA RUGGERS are:

- i. BIANCA JENNY⁵ KIVINEN, b. December 25, 1994, Toronto, Ontario Canada.
- ii. ANGEL SARAH KIVINEN, b. March 03, 1999, Richmond Hill, Ontario Canada.

9. RACHEL⁴ RANSOM (*DOREEN³ WRIGHT, PRESTON JOHN², RICHARD PHILIP¹*) was born July 31, 1970 in Sudbury Ontario. She married DAVID WILLIAMS September 16, 1995 in Sudbury. He was born September 21, 1968 in Sudbury.

More About DAVID WILLIAMS and RACHEL RANSOM:
Marriage: September 16, 1995, Sudbury

Child of RACHEL RANSOM and DAVID WILLIAMS is:

- i. MACKENZIE CAVID⁵ WILLIAMS, b. March 16, 1998, London Ontario.

10. CHRISTOPHER⁴ RANSOM (*DOREEN³ WRIGHT, PRESTON JOHN², RICHARD PHILIP¹*) He married SHELLY ANN PAUL August 14, 1999 in Sudbury. She was born April 21, 1976 in Sudbury.

More About CHRISTOPHER RANSOM and SHELLY PAUL:
Marriage: August 14, 1999, Sudbury

Child of CHRISTOPHER RANSOM and SHELLY PAUL is:

- i. KAITLYN ANN⁵ RANSOM, b. March 11, 2005, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario.

Endnotes

1. Family documents held by Robert H Esselmont.
2. e-mail from family member.