



Mr Wayne Michael Brittain

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Wayne Michael Brittain of Towson, Maryland, 86, beloved husband of Sandra Brittain for 63 years, passed away suddenly on December 22.

Wayne was born on January 8, 1939 in Valdese, North Carolina. He earned a bachelor's degree in nuclear engineering from NC State and a master's degree in physics from Drexel University. Wayne worked as a nuclear engineer for Martin Marietta, which later became Teledyne Energy Systems. After 39 years, he retired; however, he continued to work for the company as a consultant several days a week into his late 70s, valued for his inventive thinking, historical knowledge, and extensive experience, including work on the original Mars Viking Landers and the recent Curiosity Rover.

Wayne was a high school athlete, playing baseball, basketball, and football. He was an avid sports fan, cheering on both college and professional teams, especially the NC State Wolfpack, the Orioles, and the Ravens. He loved working on cars, and his pet project for many years was restoring an old Jaguar. Wayne was an electronics and computer guru, always happy to troubleshoot problems and to put together computer systems for family and

friends. He will be remembered for his devotion to his wife and family, his brilliant mind, his sense of humor, his love of music, and his ability to creatively figure out innovative fixes for any car problem, home repair, or technology issue.

He is survived by his daughters, Lisa (Sean) Potochney, Meredith (William Fagan) Brittain, and Julie (Benjamin) Perry, and his grandchildren, Brian and Amy Potochney, Claire Fagan, and Colin Perry. He is also survived by his brother, Mark (Beth) Brittain. He was predeceased by his parents, Ned and Margaret Brittain, and his sister, Margaret Gail (Carl) Gray.

Family and friends may call at the Mitchell-Wiedefeld Funeral Home, 6500 York Road, Baltimore, Maryland 21212, on Monday, December 29th from 11 a.m. to noon. A funeral service will follow at noon. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the charity of your choice in his name.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 29. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Mitchell - Wiedefeld Funeral Home, Inc.
6500 York Road
Baltimore, MD 21212
(410) 377-8300
general@mwfuneralhome.com

Prayer Service

DEC 29. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *My deepest sympathies, Sandra. I will keep you and your family in my prayers.*

Jessica Tye - January 06 at 10:35 AM

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“ *Wayne was a great guy and we were blessed having him in our family. Prayers for his family. God Bless.*

Nick Potochney - December 24, 2025 at 01:21 PM

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Cynthia E Scola - December 24, 2025 at 12:06 PM

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Wayne was my manager in the 1980s and was always polite and professional. When I became the impromptu leader of "stop smoking in the workplace" he supported my efforts and applauded my courage. I will always have fond memories of Wayne.

*My condolences,
Tony Shefchek*

Tony Shefchek - December 30, 2025 at 03:06 PM