



Terry Ray Graeff

July 15, 1944 - February 18, 2017

Terry R. Graeff, age 72 of Murphysboro, passed away at 7:45 pm on Saturday, February 18, 2017.

He was born to Clifford and Elizabeth (Odenbricht) Graeff in Murphysboro on July 15, 1944.

Terry married Janet Warnken on September 12, 1968. They shared 48 wonderful years of marriage together.

He proudly served his country in the United States Air Force from 1962 and was honorably discharged in 1966.

He was a 1962 graduate of Murphysboro Township High School. He had retired from a career as an Industrial Electrician.

Terry was an avid fisherman and a great storyteller. He was a supportive husband, a caring dad, a doting papa, a talented electrician, a loyal friend, a racing fan, and a longtime member of his hometown's tourism committee. For years he travelled to sports and boating shows to promote Murphysboro. He was very proud of his hometown and was the third generation of Graeff's to live in and own the family's well known house on the hill. He was born in and passed away in that house. The hilltop that the home sits on will always be a

place where people think of him and remember his many stories. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

He is survived by his loving wife, Janet Graeff of Murphysboro; two precious daughters, Jamie (Mark) Wright of Clarksville, TN and Lacey (Justin) Caraway of Murphysboro; his adoring grandchildren, Ellie, Andrew, Holly all of TN and Jade and Solomon of Murphysboro; other relatives and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brother, Richard O. Graeff.

Graveside Services for Terry R. Graeff will be Friday, February 24, 2017 at 1:00 pm in Pleasant Grove Memorial Park with Mark Wright officiating. Full Military honors will be accorded.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to Lacey Caraway and will be accepted at the services and/or funeral home or by visiting FundRazr.com and searching In Memory of Terry Graeff. All funds will be used to assist with expenses.

Crain Pleasant Grove-Murdale Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Pleasant Grove Memorial Park

31 Memorial Dr.
Murphysboro, IL 62966
(618) 687-1145
crain@crainsonline.com

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **24**. 1:00 PM (CT)

Pleasant Grove Memorial Cemetery
31 Memorial Dr.
Murphysboro, IL 62966

Tribute Wall



“ *Terry Ray Graeff*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *Gezza Todd lit a candle in memory of Terry Ray Graeff*



Gezza Todd - February 23, 2017 at 08:20 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Terry Ray Graeff.*



February 21, 2017 at 01:42 PM



“ *Mrs Jerrie Coler purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Terry Ray Graeff.*



Mrs Jerrie Coler - February 20, 2017 at 08:23 PM

JC

“ Janet I was saddened to have seen your precious husband passed away. May God hold you and your family in His hands.
Your Facebook Friend,
Jerrie Carney Coler

Jerrie Carney Coler - February 20, 2017 at 07:31 PM

JM

“ Janet I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your husband. All of you are in my thoughts and prayers.
Janell Michel Brownell Kansas

Janell Michel - February 20, 2017 at 07:21 PM

61

“ We were saddened to hear about Terry. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Terry was such a supporter of us. We will miss him very much. Remember the good times. Your friends.
Jim Beaty and the Shawnee Muskie Hunters Chapter.

6189717806 - February 20, 2017 at 05:43 PM

JW

“ Oh Janet, my heart aches for you and your family. It has been a while since I have seen Terry but in my memories his outgoing people personality shines so brightly. He always had a friendly greeting and a warm welcome. You have been his rock dealing with health issues and I am sure he has always been your rock through the years. It seems a lot of years have slowly slipped away. May you take comfort in the many wonderful memories. I particularly liked seeing pictures of him with grandchildren. They must have recognized what a special man he was. Of course my memories are stronger if you go back 50 years.
Sending our best thoughts to you.
Jane Westermeier and Rick

Jane Westermeier - February 20, 2017 at 05:14 PM

FM

“ Janet, I am certainly saddened to here that Terry has passed! He was such a wonderful person and Certainly a great friend to Marc! My condolences and praying for you and your family!

fleda mccooy - February 20, 2017 at 03:58 PM

CP

To the Graeff family. We are saddened to hear that Terry passed away. Such a good friend to everyone he met. Cherrish the good times and hold them close to your heart's as we will. Jim Beaty and the Shawnee Muskie Hunters Chapter. Our prayers are with you.

CertaPro Painters - February 20, 2017 at 04:45 PM