



Terry Lee Benford

June 22, 1948 - June 24, 2018

Terry Lee Benford passed away peacefully on the morning of June 24, 2018 surrounded by family at home after a three and a half year fight with liver cancer. Terry led a full life of service with a career in the military, working to serve vets in an academic setting after the military, to being a dedicated member and volunteer at his home church. To anyone that knew him, Terry was known for his servant's heart, his snarky humor, and his fierce love and dedication to his family. He would frequently tell anyone that asked, all he needed to be happy was to be with his friends and family (although close friends knew to throw in a good steak and Jack Daniels to be a cherry on top). Terry is survived by his wife, Peggy, son and daughter in law, Patrick and Dawn Benford, daughter and son in law, Cathy and Mike Rogers, grandchildren, Elizabeth Benford, Thomas Rogers, Dillon Rogers, other extended family and friends, and various four legged fur children. Terry leaves behind a legacy of love and service that his loved ones will carry on in his honor.

A Memorial service will be held 2 pm Saturday July 7, 2018 at Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd 200 W. College St. Terrell, Tx 75160.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JUL 7. 2:00 PM (CT)

Good Shepherd Episcopal Church
200 W. College St.
Terrell, TX 75160

Tribute Wall



“ *Terry Lee Benford*

October 08, 2023 at 07:43 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Terry Lee Benford.*



July 07, 2018 at 08:08 AM



“ *Terry was living proof that service is a privilege, not a chore. It gives back more than it consumes. Here was my model for selfless service both when I was a teenager and as a retiree now. God bless you and your family, Terry.*

John Sone - July 06, 2018 at 08:17 AM



“ *Nancy , Andrea and Susie purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Terry Lee Benford.*



Nancy , Andrea and Susie - July 02, 2018 at 06:44 PM

Jl

“ Terry welcomed us to Collin county in 1989 when he was an E7 and John was an E5, so well. He looked so much tougher than he was. I was grateful for Terry every year he and John worked together. (And Peggy is the best plus 1 I've ever met-your friendship is enduring). We are available for ANYTHING you need Peggy! 962-467-0007. Thank you Jesus for your sacrificial love, for the promises you never fail to keep, and the JOY we can find in YOU!

jill - June 29, 2018 at 07:39 PM

MS

“ Peggy, remember El Centro when met Terry? We had some fun times. I share your sadness at this time. You and your family are in my prayers.

Marilynn Simoneaux

Marilynn Simoneaux - June 27, 2018 at 09:28 PM



“ Man could Terry talk, he was not shy , sent him to Home Depot one Sat. morning for filters for the church. It had been a couple hours and I called him to find out which HD he gone to. He was still at the one in Terrell talking to someone. That was just the way he was, didn't miss a opportunity to visit with people. I don't think he ever met a stranger. Always ready to give a neighbor a hand, Could always count on him helping with stuff at the Church. He was a good friend and it saddens me that he has gone, but he is free of pain. He had put up a long hard fight against cancer and now he is able to rest in peace. Loved him like a brother and the world has lost a Good man!!!!

Mike Lewis - June 27, 2018 at 04:34 PM

MF

“ Mom Hopkins and family. purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Terry Lee Benford.



Mom Hopkins and family. - June 27, 2018 at 03:12 PM



“ Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Terry Lee Benford.



June 27, 2018 at 01:53 PM

DC

“ I didn't know Terry as well as others, but what I remember of him, he was a good man, a great soldier, and one that knew what needed to be done and did it, whatever it was, with gusto. May his body rest now, while his soul worships the living God in His presence, until that Great Day. Grace and peace to his family. We'll see you when we get home.

*Dave and Kathy Cox
York, PA*

David Cox - June 27, 2018 at 12:59 PM

RF

“ We will always remember the summer you and Paggy and a string of visiting grands helped us move into our home. At the end of the first day, Peggy remarked, “You know, Mother Diana, we are not here for the day, but for the duration.” Yes, that is you, Terry. You were not here just for the day, but for the duration. You never gave up, ever.

Thank you for your service, Terry, to us, your family, your church family, your nation, your cancer researchers, and to your God. May God bless you I your new home even as you blessed so many in your earthly one.

From his obituary: “Terry leaves behind a legacy of love and service that his loved ones will carry on in his honor.” Indeed, the most fitting legacy for this servant of God!

Rev. Diana and Paul Freeman and Family - June 26, 2018 at 03:49 PM