



## Terrie Lynn Usrey

June 11, 1952 - May 22, 2016

Terrie Lynn Usrey, 63, of Bloomington, passed away on May 22, 2016 at IU Health Hospital in Bloomington. She was born on June 11, 1952 in Indianapolis, Indiana, the daughter of Edwin and Mildred Clanton Shoaf.

Terrie was a 1970 graduate of Southport High School, and later graduated from IUPUI School of Nursing with her Bachelor's degree in 1978. She married Terry Ray Usrey on March 17, 1973. Terrie worked in nursing for many years, then was a hospice volunteer for over 15 years at IU Health Hospice. She enjoyed gardening, music, traveling, cooking, and being outdoors. She lived for her family and especially her daughter. She loved spending time with her extended family and friends.

She is survived by her husband, Terry R. Usrey of Bloomington, her daughter Brooke A. Usrey of Bloomington, sister-in-law's, Mary Usrey of Ellettsville, Deborah (Doug) Usrey, of Boulder, Co, Andrea (Jeffery) Schrock of Goshen. She was preceded in death by her parents, one brother Kenneth Shoaf, and her grandmother Mary Hudson.

A celebration of life service will be held from 4:00-6:00 p.m. on Monday June 6, 2016, at the Lion's Den Shelter, Upper Cascades Park, Bloomington IN. A private family burial was previously held at Pleasant View Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made in Terrie's memory to IU Health Hospice. You are

invited to share a memory or leave an online condolence to the family at [www.allencares.com](http://www.allencares.com)

# Tribute Wall

JB

“ I just learned that our dear Terrie passed away. I am stunned. How we loved Terrie! She Had the best heart and most generous giving spirit of anyone I've known. We met while working together at IU; she was pregnant at the time--happily so! We became friends and for many years stayed connected though living far apart. She came to CA to help my husband in his recovery from open heart surgery. Over many years we shared deep and reflective thoughts & ideas. I can luckily say that I just loved that girl. my life was made richer by knowing her & Terry.

Jennifer

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**Jennifer Bohrnstedt** - December 23, 2017 at 02:24 PM

LM

“ Terri - what a wonderful woman. I grew up with her daughter and always felt like she was a second mom to me by her hospitality with sleepovers and cross county team dinners. Always such a sweet, warm personality. She will be missed.

Lindsey Muller

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**Lindsey Muller** - June 01, 2016 at 07:15 PM

BJ

“ Terry - I'm so sorry for your loss. May you find comfort in the love and condolences of family and friends.

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**Bill Jones** - June 01, 2016 at 10:17 AM

MU

“ *May precious memores comfort you and Brooke.May the caring concern of family and friends carry you through this time of sorrow.Terrie Lynn was suce a special person and always there when you needed her. she worked so hard with her garden, canning, flowers.Her help with hospice and so much more*

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**Mary Usrey** - May 31, 2016 at 07:01 AM

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**Andi Schrock** - May 26, 2016 at 08:12 PM

MB

“ *My candle burns at both ends;  
It will not last the night;  
But ah, my foes, and oh, my friends-  
It makes a lovely light.  
Edna St. Vincent Millay  
Many people claim to burn their candle at both ends, but being busy is not the same as being totally involved and immersed in life. Terrie Lynn was a true candle burner. Whether it was her family, her friends, her animals or her garden, she gave everything all of her energy and her candle was very bright.  
People say as we age that we come to have a greater appreciation for experiences over material possessions. I believe Terrie always knew this. Brooke and Terry, you were her two greatest experiences. I am so very sorry for your loss.  
Mary Jane Brown*

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**Mary Jane Brown** - May 26, 2016 at 10:33 AM

RB

“ Heartfelt condolences to Brooke, Terry and the extended Usrey family for their shocking and sudden loss of Terrie Lynn.

*I was a young buck fresh out of IU when I first met Terrie. Then I mostly knew her as half of "T&T," this amazing married couple that lived their lives in a manner that I wanted to emulate. For the first decade of our friendship I was mostly focused on the Terry half of this couple as he became the older brother I never had, having grown up with two younger brothers. As I matured, and my perspectives widened over the next three decades I came increasingly appreciative of the Terrie half of the T's, as she became the sister I had never before had in my life.*

*Terrie became my role model for living life with an open, accepting, and forgiving heart that focused upon the positive attributes of people and life in general. She was not blind to the negatives, but somehow able to see past them and emphasize the good. It wasn't hard to be loved by her - you just had to be a person, or an animal, or a plant - that came into her life, then be receptive to her support and kind nurturing.*

*I'll miss her enthusiasm, and zest for life, that kept her heart and mind open to new ideas to discuss, new books to read, new bands to hear, new places to visit, new plants to grow, new trails to hike, new recipes to cook, but Terrie was mostly about finding new people to meet then learning to love and help them.*

*She fed me many healthy and delicious meals over the years and often I'd ask, "Is this food so darn good because you guys grew it yourselves, or because it is so fresh, or because of some special cooking technique?" Recently she took to answering these inquiries with the simple non-answer, "It is so good and healthy for you because I added an extra cup of love to the recipe." The first time I laughed, but then I became a believer.*

*Rick Brown*

**Rick Brown** - May 26, 2016 at 06:48 AM

ME

*My path intersected Terrie twice. In the mid-1980's we briefly worked as colleagues in the IU Office of Academic Computing, in the east end, second floor, of Student Building before it was remodeled and repurposed.*

*In later years, around 2005, I became Terrie's colleague as a hospice volunteer, and stayed in touch in training, annual dinners, and one memorable joint visit to a patient.*

*I laughed with the "extra cup of love" comment, because it was so classic. When the shock of her deadpan delivery wore off, we were faced with the reality that she was not joking.*

*I'll miss Terrie and grieve that the world is now a lesser place. My heart has been with Terry and Brooke this week and I know that those who knew her at hospice are grieving. That is our way. That was Terrie's way. She brought so much love to those in need. That will be one of her legacies, and to those families she will be remembered as a legend or an angel.*

*Mike Enyeart*

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**Mike Enyeart** - June 02, 2016 at 07:04 PM

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*My condolences to Terry, Brooke and the Usrey family. I was lucky to have Terrie volunteer at the Marlin library when I was employed there. Her kindness, competence, and dedication were things I will not forget. The school library was better off for her efforts, but more importantly, she set an example for myself, teachers, and students about how every person can make a difference.*

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**George Turchyn** - June 04, 2016 at 07:50 AM



*I am just now finding about Terrie's death and I cannot believe it. I am so very sad I missed her celebration of life. Terrie was an awesome person. She was such a very kind soul. She was the reason I liked goat cheese, and she made such a good goat cheese that it ruined me forever, as, after hers, all other goat cheeses paled in comparison. I used to trade her goat cheese for my refrigerator dill pickles. And I felt I was always making out in that deal.*

*She always had funny stories to tell me when she would come by the shop to get winemaking supplies for her & Terry's next vintage. I will miss her, her wisdom. and her smiling face coming through the door. Terry & Brooke, I know your loss is huge, but she was an awesome person & what a wonderful thing that you had her in your lives for as long as you did. Terrie, your light shines on and on. You will be missed, very much. -Amy B.*

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**Amy Butler** - June 27, 2016 at 06:57 PM