



Terry Jay Defore

December 29, 1959 - August 24, 2021

Terry Jay Defore, 61, of Center Point, passed away on Tuesday, August 24, 2021 at Monroe Hospital in Bloomington. He was born on December 29, 1959 in Brazil, Indiana; the son of Kenneth “Max” and Willa Ruth (Haviland) Defore.

Terry graduated in 1978 from Clay City High School and later obtained his certificate education in welding from Ivy Tech Community College. Terry was a lifetime expert welder and owned and operated his welding business, T and C Repairs for nearly 20 years.

Terry was a member of Soul Harvest Church in Cloverdale and enjoyed tending to his small cattle farm. In addition, Terry enjoyed tractors, especially John Deere, Indiana University Basketball, and woodworking. His greatest time spent was with his grandchildren, always making them laugh.

Terry is survived by his wife, Melanie, whom he married on March 25, 2016; children, Nicholas (Tessa) Defore and Jennifer (David) Schroer; grandchildren, Elia, Nora, Silas, Henry, Daniel and Levi; mother, Willa Defore; stepchildren, Tiffany (Dan) Harrison and Lauren (Josh) McCaslin; step-grandchildren, Gabriela, Luke, Timothy, Hannah, and Isaac. In addition, Terry is survived by his brothers, Steve, Rich, Mark, Ron and Ken; along with many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, Kenneth "Max" Defore; and his grandparents.

A private family service will be held. A Celebration of Life Service to the public will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Terry's memory to Soul Harvest Church in Cloverdale or Cory Community Church in Cory. Allen Funeral Home and Crematory, 4155 S. Old State Road 37, Bloomington have been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences, photos and memories may be shared with family and friends at www.allencares.com

Tribute Wall

LI

“ *Lissa lit a candle in memory of Terry Jay Defore*



Lissa - September 01, 2021 at 11:46 AM

CE

“ *Terry will be truly missed here at Macallister. He was an amazing welder. I dont think we could find anything that he couldn't fix or make. Always looked forward to seeing him work his magic. Terry always had smile on his face and enjoyed our many conversation. Macallister has lost a friend. Terry thank you for all of the years of hard work and friendship.*

Chris Esteb - August 30, 2021 at 01:34 PM

GR

“ *Your laughter and friendship will be missed. You were so loved by my family and we always enjoyed your presence. We are saddened by your passing. Thank you for leaving such a wonderful legacy behind in the form of amazing children and their families. You will live on in their gifts and talents. Rest in peace knowing "Well done thy good and faithful servant."*

Gloria Rogers - August 29, 2021 at 12:11 PM

FC

“ So sorry for your loss. He was always pleasant to be around, he will be missed!



Fred Collins - August 29, 2021 at 11:37 AM



“ Kathy Dorman lit a candle in memory of Terry Jay DeFore



Kathy Dorman - August 29, 2021 at 07:42 AM

BF

“ Melody and family,
My heart is breaking right now ! This loss of yours and we the friends of Terry is so overwhelming!! He was just the nicest funny guy!!! His presence in church at Soul harvest will be missed by all!!!!
Bernadine Fortner 😭

bernadine fortner - August 28, 2021 at 12:44 PM

SL

“ My thoughts and prayers to all.

Sandy (Pugh) Lucas - August 27, 2021 at 04:33 PM

DB

“ We are very sorry for your loss Melanie, and family, met up with Terry back in the PDF days, my first thoughts, this guy's really serious about his welding, he gave me some of his knowledge which helped me be a better welder, and with his humor, he looked at me and said, not gonna teach ya everything I know rookie, we had an appreciation for each other ever since, very few people in this world like this guy, our thoughts and 🙏's
Dan & Linda Barr



Dan Barr - August 27, 2021 at 12:17 PM

SU

“ Our thought and prayers to the whole family.
David, sondra(Steiner), Lindsey and Carlee Unger



sondra unger - August 27, 2021 at 09:50 AM

CR

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.
Mike and Cindy (Dalton) Richardson.



Cindy Richardson - August 26, 2021 at 10:59 PM

FH

“ *Frank R. Hoffman lit a candle in memory of Terry Jay DeFore*



Frank R. Hoffman - August 26, 2021 at 10:50 PM



“ *A Great guy and friend who always made me smile. I will miss you my friend but I know you are in a w Glorious Place.*

Steve Watler - August 26, 2021 at 10:12 PM

PH

“ *So sorry for your loss, prayers foe the family!*



Paulette Hungerford - August 26, 2021 at 07:49 PM

CG

“ *I'm so incredibly sorry to hear about Terry's passing. He was always so kind and just an amazing man. Terry would give me crap about being from Northview when I would go to the shop. The good Lord sure took a good one. I know he's in a better place bit he will sure be missed. Sending hugs and prayers to all his family and friends!*



Carrie Garrison~ - August 26, 2021 at 04:58 PM

BC

“ I have many fond memory's of not only time spent with him while he would be would be doing some welding for me but the great times we shared at church during the time he attended with us. He was a special friend and will be missed not only by me but the many people that knew him. We will keep you in our prayers during this sad time and I know God will be with you. We love all very much.

Love Bob and Erma

Bob Clifton - August 26, 2021 at 04:20 PM

TE

“ So sorry. Terry will be greatly missed. Love and prayers to all.



Teri - August 26, 2021 at 02:48 PM

SO

“ With our sympathy, Chuck & Sherri (Steiner) Orman. Sorry, I noticed I made a typo on my other message. God bless you all!

Sherri Orman - August 26, 2021 at 02:43 PM

KS

“ Terry you were a great guy and will be missed by many. Godspeed my friend

Kerry at MacAllister

Kerry Stout - August 26, 2021 at 01:28 PM

JO

“ Always had a great time with Terry. We talked sports and family. He was a loving and caring man. Always good to my family and sister Melanie. May God Bless your soul and your spirit be free. Blessings for your family. Love always your brother-in-law and my wife Jeff and Sue Owens.

Jeff Owens - August 26, 2021 at 11:44 AM

KA

“ Kathy lit a candle in memory of Terry Jay Defore



Kathy - August 26, 2021 at 07:58 AM

AS

“ Amber Skalak lit a candle in memory of Terry Jay Defore



Amber Skalak - August 26, 2021 at 03:37 AM

RD

“ God bless Terry and family 🙏

Rick Drake - August 26, 2021 at 12:57 AM

J Tim Query

“ I grew up with the Defore boys down the road. Played a lot of basketball at our house and went swimming in the lake across from their house. Condolences to the family. — Tim Query



J Tim Query - August 25, 2021 at 10:49 PM

MC

“ Prayers for peace and comfort. I will always remember Terry's smile in high school.
Curtis and Michelle Crafton

Michelle Crafton - August 25, 2021 at 10:02 PM

LW

“ Terry was a kind, funny, and all around loving man. Rest In Peace
🙏

LaFonda Woolf - August 25, 2021 at 09:32 PM

JM

“ Sorry to hear this. Terry was my neighbor when I (John) was growing up in the Coal City area. We extend our sympathies to Willa and the whole family. Praying for the family's comfort. John and Penny Megenhardt



John Megenhardt - August 25, 2021 at 09:14 PM

TE

“ Have known the Defore family since 1966; grew up in church with them; church softball games, youth group skating parties & hayrides. My heart breaks for the family. Love & prayers for the entire family. ❤️



Tammy Griffin Ewbank - August 25, 2021 at 09:13 PM

LM

“ Sorry for your loss, will keep the family in our prayers.
God Bless,
Darlene and Larry Megenhardt

Larry Megenhardt - August 25, 2021 at 09:11 PM

JL

“ Our favorite word that Terry used to call our boys and even our grandsons was hoocheypucker. Our love to this beautiful family.
Michael and Janette

janette ledgerwood - August 25, 2021 at 07:06 PM

SH

“ Sonnie Horn lit a candle in memory of Terry
Jay Defore



Sonnie Horn - August 25, 2021 at 06:35 PM

RL

“ Terry always had kind words to say when I talked to him. He will be missed May God Bless the Family.

Robert and Rita Lamb - August 25, 2021 at 06:06 PM

SO

“ So sorry for your loss. Our thoughts & prayers
are with you all.

With out sympathy,

Chuck & Sherri (Steiner) Orman



Sherri Orman - August 25, 2021 at 05:20 PM