



Terrence "Terry" Joseph Luedtke

March 25, 1954 - February 28, 2025

Terry, age 70, was a lifelong resident of Hobart, Indiana. He graduated from Hobart High School in 1972 and later pursued studies in autobody and painting in Kansas City, Kansas. Once training was complete Terry returned to Hobart, where he began employment at Lennertz Oldsmobile as a painter's apprentice and worked his way up to the bodyshop manager. After health struggles, Terry moved to Sam's Tech as an office manager until his health conditions no longer allowed him to work.

Friday nights were a special time for Terry, as he could often be found in the end zone of the Brickie Bowl, cheering on the Hobart Brickies. His weekends were dedicated to watching Notre Dame and Chicago Bears football or cheering on his favorite NASCAR driver, Dale Earnhardt. Terry's interests extended beyond sports; he loved fishing, woodworking, painting, and drawing. He particularly cherished fishing trips with his father and brothers, where the memories created were as important as the catch itself.

Terry was preceded in death by his father, Charles Luedtke; his brother, Tom Luedtke; his Uncle, Les Luedtke; his Aunt, Janet Luedtke and his beloved fur babies Crystal, Ginger, and Babe. Survived by his loving wife Jean (Erwin) Luedtke, of 49 years; daughters Danielle (James) Coleman and Allison Luedtke; grandchildren Maggie, Olivia, and Grant Coleman; mother Joan Luedtke; siblings Debbie Luedtke, Dick Luedtke, Jim (Amy) Luedtke, and

Laura (Dave) Bull; along with many cousins, nieces and nephews. Terry's unconditional love will be missed by the family dogs Cooper, Missy and Fiona.

Throughout his 70 years, Terry faced many health challenges, but he was never alone in his journey. He was surrounded by the care and kindness of compassionate doctors and nurses. His family is deeply grateful to their extended family, friends, and the exceptional staff at St. Mary's Medical Center, particularly the nurses and staff on floors 2 West and 5 West. A heartfelt thank you also goes to Transitions Hospice and Tanya's Helping Home, whose staff treated Terry and his family with the love and compassion of their own.

Visitation will be held on Friday, March 7, 2025 from 4-8 PM at Burns Funeral Home in Hobart, Indiana (701 E 7th Street Hobart, Indiana 46342). Terry will be cremated, and the family is honoring Terry's wishes that no funeral service be held.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Hobart Humane Society or Tanya's Helping Home <https://tanyashelpinghomellc.godaddysites.com/>.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

MAR 7. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Burns Funeral Home - Hobart
701 E. 7th Street
Hobart, IN 46342
(219) 942-1117
info@burnsfuneral.com
<https://www.burnsfuneral.com/>

Tribute Wall



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Terrence "Terry" Joseph Luedtke.

March 06, 2025 at 09:51 AM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Terrence "Terry" Joseph Luedtke.



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“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Terrence "Terry" Joseph Luedtke.



March 06, 2025 at 08:20 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Terrence "Terry" Joseph Luedtke.

March 05, 2025 at 12:37 PM



“ *Meat & Cheese Wooden Gift Crate was purchased for the family of Terrence "Terry" Joseph Luedtke.*



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“ *I grew up with His Younger Brother Jim, we hung out together all the time and I got to know all his family. My heart goes out to all of the especially his Mom. Nothing more painful than losing a child no matter what the age. His Wife Jean also as they've been together for many years and this will be a new process for her. Much Love to all the family.*

Rhonda (Kirk) McManaway - March 03, 2025 at 01:53 PM



*Jean,
As you know, our friendship began many years ago at Bob Ray's dental office, with me as a patient and you as the head receptionist. We shared several personal experiences together. One you shared with me was Terry's health struggles. I always admired the love and care you gave your husband. As you know, I am out of the country until Sat. I want you to know that you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. I will be thinking of all of you on Friday, and wishing I were with all of you. Our staff will take great care of you. God bless you
Jean.*



Jim Burns - March 04, 2025 at 03:36 PM



Jean I am so sad for your loss. Your husband sounds like he had a wonderful spirit. We are all keeping you in our thoughts here at PFS. Condolences.

Arteaga

Arteaga - March 04, 2025 at 05:05 PM

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Sending prayers & love for you to find comfort in life every day in Gods graces. He will help you with the support and love you need. You and your family are in everyone's thoughts and prayers.

Julie Ann McCarthy

Julie M Mccarthy - March 05, 2025 at 12:43 PM