



## Terry Givens

May 13, 1948 - January 22, 2016

Terry Givens, 67, of Murphysboro, IL., lost his courageous battle with cancer at 4:30PM on Friday January 22, 2016. Terry was born on May 13, 1948 in Raymond Washington. He was the son of the late Jim and Charlene (Glasco) Givens. He married his high school sweetheart Sue Layne on April 2, 1966 and raised his family in Murphysboro. Terry was a loving husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather. Terry never met a stranger and was loved by everyone whose life he touched. For many years he and his wife Sue volunteered as Santa and Mrs. Claus for many local charities. He was active in the Elks Lodge assisting with bingo and other various fundraisers. He was also an active member of the Carbon Lake Club and The Moose Lodge where he enjoyed visiting with friends. He was an avid fisherman and spent many days chasing catfish on the Big Muddy River with his dog Lucy. In his spare time, Terry could be found helping friends and family with various projects from welding to construction. He spent countless hours passing down his knowledge to others. He started his working career at the Southern Illinoisan as a linotype mechanic. He spent 19 years working in the coal mines of Southern Illinois and was a proud member of the UMWA. When his mine closed he drove a semi for Gilster Mary Lee. In the latter part of his career worked for the Township of Murphysboro Road District where he retired in 2011. Terry is survived by his loving wife Sue, daughter Angela and husband Chris Guetersloh of Murphysboro, daughter Teresa and husband Scott Cutler of Murphysboro, grandchildren Alee and husband Kyle Royster, Joe Guetersloh, John Guetersloh, Julie Cutler and Natalie Cutler, great-grandchildren Roxie and Clarence Royster all of Murphysboro, brother Tim and wife Donna Givens of Golconda, IL., and brother-in-law; Terry Smith of Dunfermline, IL. He was preceded in his passing by his parents, his sister; Connie Smith, and an infant sister; Gail Givens

Services will be at 11am on Wednesday, January 27, 2016 at Crawshaw Funeral Home in Murphysboro, burial will follow at Murdale Gardens of Memory near Murphysboro.

Visitation will be from 5 to 8pm on Tuesday, January 26, 2016 at Crawshaw Funeral Home in Murphysboro. Memorials are encouraged and may be made to the Elks Children's Care Corporation

# Cemetery

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## Murdale Gardens of Memory

137 Murdale Gardens Rd

Murphysboro, IL, 62966

# Events

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**JAN** **Visitation** 05:00PM - 08:00PM

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Crawshaw Funeral Home

1421 Walnut St, Murphysboro, IL, US, 62966

**JAN** **Service** 11:00AM

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Crawshaw Funeral Home

1421 Walnut St, Murphysboro, IL, US, 62966

# Comments

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“ This is Shirley Givens Anderson. You probably don't know me but I am a cousin of Terry's. I just read in the paper that Terry has passed. I just wanted to say that we haven't seen each other in years but I am saddened by is death. I'm sorry for your loss.

**Janice Waddell** - January 27, 2016 at 10:28 AM

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“ Sue, please know that you, Angela and Teresa are in my thoughts and prayers. John and I truly adored Terry, as did Johnny. He was a wonderful man and we have lost him and John way too soon. Let me know if I can help in any way, even if it's just an ear to listen, if you need someone. All my sympathy, Deb Hudson

**Deb Hudson** - January 27, 2016 at 08:14 AM

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“ Treg and Karla Brown purchased the Simply Lily for the family of Terry Givens.



**Treg and Karla Brown** - January 26, 2016 at 02:02 PM

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“ Doug and Susan Penrod purchased the Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- All White for the family of Terry Givens.



**Doug and Susan Penrod** - January 26, 2016 at 01:51 PM

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“ Sue - I was so sorry to hear of Terry's passing. Please know you are in my thoughts and prayers now and in the coming days.

Melinda Purcell - January 26, 2016 at 10:19 AM

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“ Judy (Brown) Hoffman and David; Rick and Sandi Brown purchased the European Sympathy Dish Garden for the family of Terry Givens.



Judy (Brown) Hoffman and David; Rick and Sandi Brown - January 26, 2016 at 10:01 AM

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“ Sending my condolences to the Terry Givens family. He gave it his all until the Lord took him home to heaven. Keep his legacy alive in your hearts, souls, and minds.....and try to keep his sweetness and charitable life on going from hereon. Nice to see a man so faithful in his family and community with such a graceful smile and kindness. Hugs and prayers... Karen McNeely McMinn of Carbondale IL

Karen McMinn - January 26, 2016 at 07:39 AM

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“ He truly was the best Santa ever. He shared with me how being Santa for S.T.A.R.T made his Xmas he loved the children but to hear a girl tell Santa she just wanted someone to love her. Needless to say Santa had huge cocodile tears that was the kind of wonderful man he was. Truly will miss him RIP SANTA

Anita Harris - January 25, 2016 at 09:58 PM

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“ Terry always had a smile on his face, I will always remember Terry telling me about how he ate his homemade bread, and how much Sue also enjoyed the bread, Love you all, Terry will be missed, Sue contact us if you need anything

Sandy Clarence Sherman - January 25, 2016 at 08:18 PM

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“ Sue, this is Norm Wayman. Joy and I are so sorry for your loss. She is in Houston taking care of her mother who had surgery. One searches for words at a time like this and sometimes they can't be found! So sorry, Norm and Joy.

**Norm Wayman** - January 25, 2016 at 01:11 PM