



## Terry E Thompson

August 6, 1957 - April 19, 2024

Terry E. Thompson, a beloved and active member of the North Judson, IN community, passed away on Friday, April 19, 2024, at the age of 66, surrounded by her loving family.

Her father, Kenneth, and her mother, Iva Jean, preceded her in death. She survived by her husband of nearly 38 years, Joe Thompson, her daughter, Kelly Anderson, and her two grandchildren, Preston Anderson and his wife, Lauren, and Miranda Anderson.

Terry was born to Kenneth and Iva Jean Russell on August 6, 1957, growing up in Medaryville, IN. She grew up with her brother Jerry Russell and attended West Central High School. She became a CNA and worked at Little Company of Mary, caring for the residents.

She then married Joe Thompson in June 1986. As her father, Kenny, became sick, Terry took on the burden of caring for him until his death in December 2001. Terry then cared for her mother, Iva Jean, until her death in November of 2008. Terry and her husband then took on the

ownership of her mother's dog, Sugar, and cared for her until her death. Terry is best known for being the life of the party and loved to talk and get to know everyone, especially a stranger. She also loved to keep people on their toes regarding her appearance. When it came to her hair, nails, shoes, and outfit, no one was sure what Terry might decide she wanted to wear next. Terry and her husband Joe spent many years attending local car shows, winning awards for her cherry red, gold-flaked Porsche and his yellow-flamed Mustang. She loved going to the mall with her husband and family, always looking for the next pair of shoes. For many years, Terry was very involved in local karaoke and kept a close group of friends with whom she would travel and perform. Her love of karaoke inspired her to start the Mint Idol competition during the annual North Judson Mint Festival on Father's Day weekend. Terry later went on to become the President of the Mint Festival for one year in 2012. At home, Terry enjoyed sitting and playing games with her family, watching television with her husband, talking for hours with her brother Jerry, and especially playing with her phone. Her husband Joe recalls the countless selfies she would take, showing off her new hair and nails. She would make a Superbowl bet with her grandson each year despite never following a game. This, however, never quite made a difference in whether or not she would win their bet, unfortunately for her grandson.

Terry's family has elected to have her cremated and has decided to forego funeral services for Terry and instead hold a Celebration of Life at a later date. In lieu of flowers for a funeral service, her family is asking to help cover the cost of Terry's cremation. When she was diagnosed with stage 4 cancer last year, she was not eligible for life insurance to cover these costs. The family has set up a GoFundMe page for her. The link to Terry's fundraiser is [www.gofundme.com/f/terry-e-thompson](http://www.gofundme.com/f/terry-e-thompson)

# Tribute Wall

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“ I am in AWE and so VERY sorry to find this out about Terry. We had many conversations and she remained in my prayers ALWAYS, and was never in any fear of asking me for prayers. I TRULY loved our friendship. I made many goodies for her when I lived in Indiana. My heart and soul and my many prayers will remain with the family ALWAYS and FOREVERMORE.



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**Carol Weddell Grubbs** - April 22, 2024 at 01:50 PM

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“ Awww sorry to hear this. Terry and I would sing together all the time. She'll be missed at the karaoke scene. She did alot for the town of North Judson volunteering on mint festival committee as well.

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**John Darnell** - April 22, 2024 at 12:13 PM