



# Terry B. Holmes

JAN 31, 1951 - AUG 11, 2023



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## **Terry B. Holmes**

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**T**erry was the oldest child born to late Candies and Jewel Wheeler in St. Louis, Missouri on January 31, 1951.

Terry attended Catholic elementary school where she was deeply inspired by the school nuns to become Catholic at an early age.

Terry moved to Seattle Washington with her mother and brothers where she went on to graduate from Franklin High School in 1969.

Terry later returned to St. Louis, Missouri and married her childhood sweetheart, Charles Howard Holmes on October 22, 1971. To this union four children were born.

Terry attended mass at St. Engelbert Catholic Church faithfully, where they sacrificed to send all of their children to school. Terry took on a school cafeteria position and began volunteering at the church, which would become St. Elizabeth, Mother of John the Baptist Catholic Church. Over the years, Terry volunteered as a visitor for the sick and shut-in, photographer, Eucharistic Minister, Member of Blue Army, and The Legion of Mary prayer groups; longterm choir member and food pantry volunteer until it closed during COVID in 2020.

Terry would also visit the Pink Sisters' Chapel regularly where she would pray The Rosary or The Divine Mercy Chaplet. Terry fought to attend mass every weekend and on holy days, even when she became ill.

Terry was a kind soul that would offer rides to anyone she saw walking, to show her thanks to God for blessing her with a vehicle.

Terry worked for the Federal Government Record Management Center for the Veteran's Administration from 1987 to 2017. In



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January 2017, she retired after 30 years of service; Terry was often recognized for her great customer service.

Terry enjoyed her family, her friends, her pets, Motown, and Gospel music, and last but not least, her Chinese food (pork and noodles, extra onion to be exact). On the weekends, Terry looked forward to going to mass, going on a long drive, and sharing a meal with her kids and grandkids. Terry cherished every day of the last 31 years of her life that she got to spend with her youngest, watching Harry Potter, the Sound of Music, and It's a Wonderful Life.

Terry's health began to decline after her retirement and over time she reluctantly became partially confined to her home due to mobility issues. Terry's oldest child and youngest child took primary care of their mother's health and daily living needs to honor her strong request to remain in her home. Terry suffered a bad fall in August of 2022, she was diagnosed with Alzheimer's Disease in March of 2023, and was admitted to the hospital in early July 2023 for heart failure after an unrelated Emergency Room visit. Terry was moved to Skilled Rehab where she was placed on hospice and transitioned after three days on August 11, 2023.

Terry is preceded in death by her parents, Candies (Darlene) Wheeler, Jr. and Jewel V. and Gabriel N. Thompson.

Terry leaves to cherish her memory: her husband of 51 years ~ Charles Howard Holmes; daughters ~ Angela E. Holmes, Tracey R. (Jacques) Coleman and Christina M. Holmes; son/best friend ~ Christopher H. Holmes; granddaughter ~ Nia S. Coleman; grandson ~ Jordan A. Coleman; brothers ~ Candies (Debra) Wheeler III of Kent, Washington, Keith B. Wheeler, Sr. of Seattle, Washington, Gabriel N. Thompson, Jr. of Auburn Washington; aunts ~ Annette (Harrison) Hunter and Wanda Jean Smith of St. Louis, Missouri; Goddaughter and son ~ Michelle Vinson and Dwayne Simmons; her dog ~ Coco; and host of other family and friends.






# Events

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## Visitation

-  **Thursday**, August 24, 2023
-  9:30 AM - 10:30 AM CT
-  **St. Mathew the Apostle**  
2715 North Sarah Street, St. Louis MO 63113






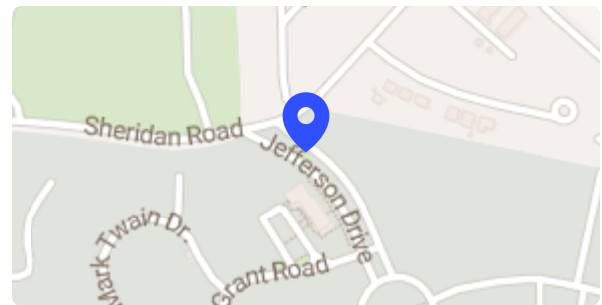
## Service

-  **Thursday**, August 24, 2023
-  10:30 AM - 12:00 PM CT
-  **St. Mathew the Apostle**  
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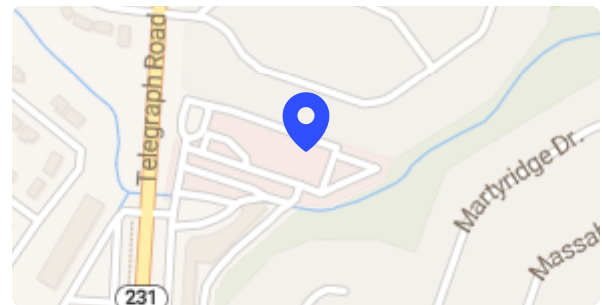
## Burial

-  **Thursday**, August 24, 2023
-  1:30 PM - 1:45 PM CT
-  **Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery**  
2900 Sheridan, Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery MO 63125



## Repast

-  **Thursday**, August 24, 2023
-  2:15 PM - 4:30 PM CT
-  **Andre's Banquets & Catering South**  
4254 Telegraph Road, St. Louis MO 63129




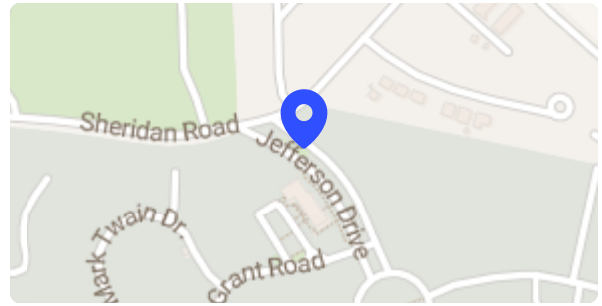


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## Cemetery Details

 **Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery**  
2900 Sheridan Rd, Saint Louis MO 63125





# Tribute Wall

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**McClendon Mortuary And Cremation Services** shared the funeral program for Terry B. Holmes.

August 25 at 9:07 AM



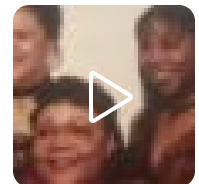
**Toni P.** sent a sympathy card to the Holmes family.

August 29 at 5:06 AM



**Christina\_Holmes** shared a video to the **Terry Tribute** album.

August 24 at 11:20 AM



**Karen Robinson** August 24 at 2:22 PM

I will miss you My friend. I thank God for you in my life. Take your rest. ❤️



**Audrey Brown** lit a candle in honor of Terry.

August 24 at 6:28 AM



**Audrey Brown** August 24 at 6:31 AM

Terry will be truly missed. A good person with a Heart of Gold. My true friend of many many years.



**Anonymous** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Holmes family.

August 23 at 3:01 PM





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**Anonymous** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Terry.

August 23 at 3:01 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Truly Beloved Bouquet to the Holmes family.

August 23 at 1:06 PM



**Anonymous** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Terry.

August 23 at 1:06 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Holmes family.

August 23 at 4:30 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Holmes family.

August 22 at 11:29 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Pink Potpourri Bouquet to the Holmes family.

August 19 at 2:10 PM





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**Anonymous** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Terry.



August 19 at 2:10 PM



**Christina\_Holmes** posted:  
Funeral Service <https://tinyurl.com/THolmesFuneral>

August 18 at 1:06 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Sentiments of Serenity Spray to the Holmes family.



August 18 at 10:54 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Holmes family.



August 18 at 7:48 AM



**Anonymous** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Terry.



August 18 at 7:48 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Sacred Duty Spray to the Holmes family.



August 17 at 8:17 AM



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**Your Childhood Friend Debbie Proctor** sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Holmes family.

August 17 at 8:08 AM



**Your Childhood Friend Debbie Proctor** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Terry.

August 17 at 8:08 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Holmes family.

August 15 at 4:30 AM





# Media

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Terry B, Holmes Tribute



**Karen Robinson** August 24 at 2:22 PM

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## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Terry by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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