



Terry Lee Colvin

May 15, 1953 - May 27, 2017

Terry Lee Colvin of Dayton Nevada, passed away in his home on Saturday May 27, 2017. Terry was born May 15, 1953, in Albuquerque New Mexico, and lived there until the age of five when his parents and baby sister relocated to Livermore California. Shortly after the move to California, the Colvin family added another sister and built a life in Livermore. Terry loved people, animals, music and cars. Throughout his childhood he brought home kittens, birds, snakes, rabbits and once, a crawdad. Occasionally, he brought home people. One thanksgiving when he was about sixteen, he was downtown and passed a man just sitting at the bus station. That man ate thanksgiving dinner with our family. He had a strong and enduring faith in Christ that he shared with others, gave him strength in difficulty, peace for the end of his life on earth, and hope for eternity with Christ. This is the kind of person Terry was all of his life. He had a kind and generous heart. He would give you his last dollar or any possession he had. He would also tease his sisters unmercifully and swindle us out of our allowances and sell us trinkets. He loved fast cars and motorcycles. Around age thirteen he began to play the guitar. He took some pointers from our dad, but mostly he was self-taught. throughout his life, he played for soloists, choirs and in several bands. He went on to learn the banjo, bass guitar, piano and drums. He also sang quite well. He graduated from Heald College and worked as a maintenance mechanic for Hoecsht Celanese and as an electronics technician for Syva Company. He enjoyed his work and made many friends that became lifelong relationships. He was a beloved son, brother, uncle and friend. He had no children of his own, but loved and spoiled his nieces and nephews. He spent the last two decades in his home in Dayton Nevada, surrounded by the privacy and beauty of the desert mountains. He is survived by two sisters and their husbands; Jim and Karen Davenport of Livermore Ca. and Jim and Lisa Fisher of Manteca Ca. Terry also leaves, one nephew, five nieces, and eleven grand nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents, Hugh and Ruth Colvin of Livermore Ca. We love you Terry, you left us too soon, you will be missed. A private burial will be held at Roselawn Cemetery in Livermore CA.

Comments



“ The attached photo is how I remember Terry. Our many camping trips to Spicer, Union and Utica reservoirs were great times. I will miss him.

Skip - September 01, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ I'll miss Terry. Had many good times with him.

Bill Schmelzer - August 31, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ Rest in Peace old buddy. I have good memories of opening of trout season on the Middle Fork of the Tuolumne River and some fall fishing trips to reservoir. Hot August nights in Reno. Take care.
Doug

Doug - June 11, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ Lisa and family....I am terribly sorry for your loss. I pray you will find peace and comfort from our Heavenly Father and will rejoice in knowing you will be reunited with your beloved Terry someday soon.

Theresa Hutchens - June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ Karen, Lisa and family,
I'm sorry to hear about Terry's passing. We know he is in a better place with the Lord, and not suffering. God bless you.

Teresa Kidwell - June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ We didn't see much of you after you grew up, but we remember you well from your childhood days. We will miss you.

Your family in Bardstown, Ky.
Aunts and cousins

Aunt Peggy and Aunt Ramona - June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ I met Terry when we worked together at Syva in Cupertino, CA. We had music in common and I played in one of Terry's band with him. We were called Dr. Jet. Terry played bass in that band and I was one of two guitar players. Terry was an awesome guitar player - better than me. He also inspired me to learn bass. He was a gentle soul who had only kind words for those around him.
We will all miss you brother.

john estep - June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ Terry It doesn't feel right signing this guest book for you. I want you to know how much I will and do miss you and your constant phone calls. I love you so much. Rest in painless peace Dear Brother.

Lisa Fisher - June 07, 2017 at 12:00 AM