



## Merrell "Gene" Terry

May 22, 1941 - May 21, 2017

Mr. Merrell "Gene" Terry, age 75, of Fairburn, GA passed away Sunday, May 21, 2017. Mr. Terry was a 35 year employee of the City of Atlanta, Dept. of Aviation, where he was a field maintenance supervisor. He was a lifelong member of Colonial Hills Baptist Church. He was a member of the bluegrass band, Honey Creek Boys and was an active participant of Tuesday Night Pickin' at Cedar Grove Community Center. He was a great husband, father, grandfather and friend to so many. Gene is preceded in death by his parents, Ellis Sanders Terry and Mattie Louise Terry; sister, Betty Hammock. He is survived by his wife, Angie Terry of Fairburn, GA; daughter, Jeannie Tuggle and her husband Ryan of Winston, GA; sisters, Hazel Thurman of Macon, Sandra Jaye of Stockbridge; brothers, Thomas Terry and his wife Rita of California, Charles Terry and his wife Frances of Union City, James Terry of Conyers; grandchildren Braedon "Brady" Lee, Gavin Lee; step-grandson, Triston Tuggle and several nieces and nephews. A funeral service will be held at the Chapel of Parrott Funeral Home on Wednesday, May 24, 2017 at 11 o'clock with Dr. Lester Cooper and Rev. Tim Rice officiating. Interment will follow at Holly Hill Memorial Park. Those wishing may sign the online guestbook at [www.parrottfuneralhome.com](http://www.parrottfuneralhome.com). The family will receive friends Tuesday evening from 4:00 until 8:00 p.m. at Parrott Funeral Home and Crematory, 770-964-4800.

# Cemetery Details

## Holly Hill Memorial Park

359 W. Broad Street  
Fairburn, GA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY **23**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Parrott Funeral Home & Crematory  
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Fairburn, GA 30213  
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## Funeral Service

MAY **24**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

RP

“ SUNDAY MORNING WE LOST A GREAT FRIEND. GOD CAME AND TOOK HIS TO BE WITH HIM IN GLORY , SINGING A LITTLE BLUESGRASS AT HIS FEET. I'VE KNOWN GENE FOR OVER 55 YRS AND THERE WAS NO GREATER FRIEND. CANNOT TELL YOU HOW MUCH WE LOVED HIM. RAY, ROSE AND FAMILY

Ray Phillips - May 24, 2017 at 08:07 AM

NL

“ Nancy Hammond Lambeth lit a candle in memory of Merrell "Gene" Terry



Nancy Hammond Lambeth - May 23, 2017 at 08:04 PM

NL

Angie, Jeannie and family,  
I'm sorry I can't attend the service as I had an angiogram today and won't be ready to get out tomorrow. I want you to know my thoughts and prayers are with you and I'm very sorry for your loss. Praise the Lord for giving you such a wonderful man and such great memories to carry on. RIP Gene.

Nancy Hammond Lambeth - May 23, 2017 at 08:10 PM

CB

“ Even though I haven't seen Gene in many years, I will never forget him, or his family. We were neighbors with his parents, on Bell Steet for many years growing up. My deepest condolences to Angie, his brothers, sisters and daughter. May God Bless Lasting memories,  
Charlene Chambers Bowman

Charlene Chambers Bowman - May 23, 2017 at 06:48 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Merrell "Gene" Terry.*



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May 23, 2017 at 02:19 PM



“ *Sandra and Larry Moody purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Merrell "Gene" Terry.*



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**Sandra and Larry Moody** - May 23, 2017 at 11:25 AM



“ *Everyone from the Williamson music Barn want to offer our condolences for gene he was a great musician And awesome singer he will certainly be missed*

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**Sandra williams** - May 23, 2017 at 10:57 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Merrell "Gene" Terry.*



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May 23, 2017 at 10:15 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Merrell "Gene" Terry.*



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May 22, 2017 at 08:36 PM



“ *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Merrell "Gene" Terry.*



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May 22, 2017 at 08:26 PM



“ *Barbara and I did not see Gene that often, but he was always so genuinely friendly! He uplifted your look at life every time we saw him! Cedar Groove cannot ever be the same. Angie, We will pray God`s strength for you and all the Family, just think how many will truly miss him! Love from Jim& Barbara Turner*



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**jim & Brbara Turner** - May 22, 2017 at 06:58 PM

SG

“ Angie - we are so sorry to hear of Gene's passing. You and your family are in our prayers. I enjoyed Gene and his music group the night they played at Bethlehem. I know he is playing with the Heavenly chorus now. God bless you and your family.

Sally and Tommy Goforth

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Sally Goforth - May 22, 2017 at 06:44 PM

JL

Angie, I'm so glad I got to hear them the last night he was at The Barn ! I always enjoyed him ! He was a Sweetheart , and y'all are a Special Couple ! Love & Prayers Sweet Lady ! 💔

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June long - May 22, 2017 at 10:31 PM

EC

“ Angie and family, we are so sorry for your loss. We have prayed for peace for the entire family.

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Ed carr - May 22, 2017 at 06:07 PM

PM

“ Gene Terry was such an upbeat and warm personality. He was an encouragement to me in the music world and I really loved to play and sing with him. I pray that the God of all comfort will strengthen and encourage the hearts of his wife and family. Most of all Gene was a believer in Jesus! In John 11:25 &26 Jesus said to Martha, “I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?” Gene Terry believed this....so he lives on in the presence of Jesus! May peace and comfort be found by all mourning the loss of Gene in this marvelous truth! Pat Myatt

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Patrick Myatt - May 22, 2017 at 05:16 PM

WD

“ Gene Terry was my first cousin. He was a faithful Christian and Family man. He attended funerals and reunion and kept in touch. We will miss him. May God Bless and comfort Angie and Jeannie.

Wendell & Betty Dawson  
Watkinsville, GA 30677

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Wendell Dawson - May 22, 2017 at 04:49 PM

RW

“ Angie I really don't know what I can do. I don't know what I can say, but there is one thing I can do and that is pray. I certainly will be continuing to pray for you, Jeannie and the family. You and Gene are such special friends to me and I am so thankful for that friendship. You know I am here for you whatever you might need.

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Ruth West - May 22, 2017 at 04:23 PM

JE

“ MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS GO OUT TO THE LOVING FAMILY OF GENE TERRY. HIS GOING WILL LEAVE A BIG VACANCY IN SO MANY PEOPLE'S LIVES.MAY GOD KEEP HIS LOVING HAND ON ALL WHO ARE LEFT BEHIND .

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JEANETTE.MCLENDON - May 22, 2017 at 03:18 PM

PM

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Patrick Myatt - May 22, 2017 at 05:08 PM

SM

*It seems unbelievable that Gene is gone. He left a great legacy and many good memories. He will be missed. It's comforting to know he's with the Lord - what sights he must be encountering! One day there will be that sweet reunion. Prayers for the family and love to all. Sandra Moody*

Sandra Moody - May 22, 2017 at 07:20 PM



“ 79 files added to the album LifeTributes



Parrott Funeral Home - May 22, 2017 at 01:11 PM

SM

*Lots of great memories pickin with you Gene. I will miss you and think about you every time I pick up a guitar. Rest in peace my bluegrass brother I'll see you soon. Pick one for me in heaven and save me a dpot in the pickin circle.*

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**Steve Maloy** - May 22, 2017 at 04:33 PM

CJ

*“ Never have we known a more witty, naturally funny man. Talented in everything he did. Frank and I were privileged to call him friend and "kissing kin". He loved his wife and daughter devotion and loved the Lord and his church. Heaven is a little sweeter and a little more musical.*

*Frank & Cathy Jordan*

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**Cathy Jordan** - May 22, 2017 at 11:32 AM