



Walter William Spear, Jr

October 27, 1962 - November 13, 2025

Walter William Spear Jr. was born on October 27, 1962, at Richards-Gebaur Air Force Base in Missouri. He passed away on November 13, 2025, at the age of 63. He is preceded in death by his parents, Walter William Spear Sr. and Janet and Roger Duncan.

Walter is survived by his devoted and loving wife, Yen Spear, and his daughter, Julie Schneider, her husband, Chris; his grandchildren Grady, Andi, and Sam, along with his brother Jon, his wife Tina and their three children. As well as many other family members who loved him.

Walter approached his work with unwavering dedication and took genuine pride in what he accomplished. His strong work ethic was a constant presence throughout his life.

As his family reflects on his journey, they rest in the unwavering truth of God's sovereignty, mercy, and compassion. They trust that Walter is now held in the fullness of God's love, a love not earned by perfection, but freely given by grace.

It is the family's hope that Walter's story points others toward the hope found in Christ: that no path is beyond God's reach, no heart beyond His kindness, and no life beyond His redemption. May those who read this be reminded that

God meets each person exactly where they are, offering forgiveness, peace, and the promise of eternal rest.

In keeping with his request, Walter will be cremated.

Tribute Wall

ME

“ *Michael Edmondson sent a virtual gift in memory of Walter William Spear, Jr*

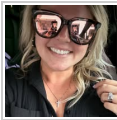


Michael Edmondson - December 02, 2025 at 09:40 AM

AW

“ *I work with Walter at UPS, he was such a joy to be around, his side kick was Gary and when I tell you we had the warehouse lit up with laughters and jokes oh my, we will miss him so much.*

Arethea Williams - November 23, 2025 at 06:33 AM



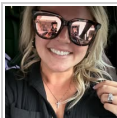
I can imagine!

Julie Schneider - November 25, 2025 at 03:52 PM



“ *I only knew Walter for a short time at the closing of his refrigeration career, he was the most knowledgeable and helpful person I know. We lost a legend... Rest in peace Brother we can handle it from here*

Daniel Laughlin - November 20, 2025 at 12:50 AM



I'm glad he was apart of your life even for a short time.

Julie Schneider - November 20, 2025 at 09:31 PM

RS

“ Love you like a brother. Won't be another “one more hour Wally” for this world. Talk about never leaving anyone behind. Was nobody I'd rather have by my side to work with. Sure spent a lot of sleepless days & nights getting it done. When everyone else would leave, Walter would be there “what's next”. He was a machine with no off switch! Will miss those long talks & laughs reminiscing. We would get tired just talking about it. Closest thing to a brother I ever had. Love you man.

Randy Stanton - November 19, 2025 at 09:40 PM



You're right - there was no off switch! Hardest worker there was.

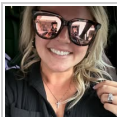
Julie Schneider - November 20, 2025 at 09:31 PM

DO

“ Wally was definitely an anomaly. He had a rough exterior but if you took time to get to know him and he let you in, you would come to realize that he was a sweet caring man deep down, he just didn't let anyone know that. He would cut up with me every chance he got and would aggravate me about using one of my screw drivers as a pry bar or a punch, he knew I hated that. I spent many nights working with him as well, he taught me a lot about the industry and a lot about life. I have a ton of memories that I will carry with me. He had a profound impact in my life and I hope he knows that. You will be missed my sweet friend. As we would say “see ya next time!”



Dennis Owens - November 19, 2025 at 06:22 PM



I'm so glad he impacted you so much. And you're right he'll see ya next time for sure

Julie Schneider - November 20, 2025 at 09:30 PM

JG

“ Wally was one of a kind! He will be missed by many folks! He and I spent many nights together doing pump downs and repairs all over the country. He taught me more about refrigeration than any manual ever could.

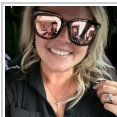
One particular night that stands out, we were at Bailey St across from Mercedes Benz stadium on a Friday night around 10pm. We were unloading the "van" to go get started and Walter looks at me and says, "you don't have to be here, I can handle this, go home". And then, as he stepped out of the van, he tripped and rolled across the ground. We laughed as we gathered up his tools and I told him there was no place I'd rather be on a Friday night than working on refrigeration equipment with my friend. From that moment on, I was no longer his boss, we became friends with a common passion.

He truly loved work and felt it was his contribution to make sure we could feed the world, whether it be producing chicken and bread or making sure the DC's were operating to get food shipped across the US.

And of course Wally knew that everyone else was an idiot. Especially all them dumbasses opening valve stems with channel locks!

I speak for all of Uni-Temp Refrigeration when I say that your memories will live on through us. You are a true legend to all of us!

Jamie Gilbert - November 19, 2025 at 11:08 AM



He definitely prided himself in his work. And the hardest worker for sure. I believe he will still be working in Heaven and God will make sure he carry's that work ethic on for eternity!

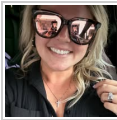
Julie Schneider - November 19, 2025 at 04:03 PM

KH

“ Wally worked with me at Tyson's in Cumming, GA for years. I cherish the times was shared. He was more than just someone who came to the plant to work for me. He was truly a friend. I will miss him a lot.

Kevin Hammond

Kevin Hammond - November 19, 2025 at 10:30 AM



No doubt you were a friend to him too.

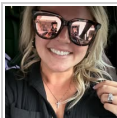
Julie Schneider - November 19, 2025 at 04:04 PM

KM

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Karl and Renee McCarthy - November 18, 2025 at 09:42 PM



True happy smiles!

Julie Schneider - November 19, 2025 at 04:06 PM



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Julie Schneider - November 18, 2025 at 09:22 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Walter William Spear, Jr.*



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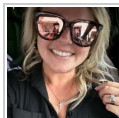
“ *I worked closely with Wally (as we called him) for many many years. We had a lot great times as we traveled to many places around the country. He was always fun to work with. I wish I could write about the experiences we had together, but there are just too many. He was a great refrigeration technician! Wally did you bring your service wrench with you!
I'm happy to have had him as part of my life.
Love you brother! God Bless!
Karl and Renee McCarthy*

Karl and Renee McCarthy - November 18, 2025 at 11:49 AM



*Russell Striplin
I worked with Walter at fisher refrigeration I learned tons of information from him I can assure you the world is a lesser place with him*

Russell striplin - November 18, 2025 at 05:57 PM



That's sweet of you! I remember he was called Wally and remember him talking about you too!

Julie Schneider - November 18, 2025 at 09:17 PM



Rest in peace wally , my condolences to the family and friends ..

Luis Deleon - November 19, 2025 at 05:55 PM

RS

Love you like a brother buddy. Won't be another "one more hour Wally" in this world. It was a pleasure knowing you, learning from you. A fountain of knowledge & he used it all. Can't remember anything he wouldn't tackle & most of the time win! I'll miss those long talks. Love you brother.

Randy Stanton - November 19, 2025 at 07:27 PM