



Terry Lee Sallee

May 25, 1950 - November 21, 2020

Terry Lee Sallee, of Rapid City, MI, died on November 21st, 2020 at the age of 70 in the presence of his beloved wife, Toni Sallee. Terry was born in Dayton, Ohio and was the son of the late Burl Thomas Sallee. He was one of four siblings, Donna Russell of Charlevoix, MI, Judy Muma (Pat) of East Jordan, MI, and the late Jim Downey (Charlotte) of East Jordan, MI. He graduated from Ellsworth Community Schools in 1968 and directly thereafter joined the US Navy serving in the Vietnam War. He worked for 25 years with Gordon Food Service as a truck driver and later as a supervisor. After retirement he enjoyed the bantering of good-natured friends working at the Chief Golf Course in Bellaire, MI. Terry was a loyal, fun-loving, and generous man with a gregarious laugh that lit up the room. His love for his wife, children, grandchildren, siblings, nieces, and nephews was undeniable. When it wasn't golf season, he was yelling at the TV when the Detroit Lions were playing, planning for hunting season with his son, and spending time with his grandchildren. His two dogs, Ollie and Beavis, were never far from his side. Terry is survived by his wife, Toni and five children, Christopher Sallee (Bridgette) of Rapid City, MI, Dan Sallee (Jenna) of Broomfield, CO, Terry Melissa Sallee of Pensacola, FL, Tom Westerlin (Sherine), and Traci Zainea. He is also survived by his sisters and their families and 8 grandchildren, Henry (H-Bomb), Madeline (Maddie), Charlotte (Charlie), Nayla, Lyric, Terry (Buddy), Simon and Amelia. Services and burial will be held in Spring 2021. Arrangements have been entrusted to Kalkaska Funeral Home and Cremation

Services.

Tribute Wall



“ So sorry to hear about Terry's passing. Just found out today, Dec. 7th from a neighbor. I was a neighbor too, lived accross the road from him and Toni. He was the nicest person who would always say HI as I took my walks down Gillette Rd. He and Beavis would always greet me and we would talk about the latest Neighborhood gossip! My thoughts and prayers are with you Toni and the family.

Tom Lieb - December 07, 2020 at 05:13 PM

“ Lifting up much Love and Prayers for all of Terry's family and friends. I remember him with smiles and laughter and fun to be around. I loved the banterings between him and his sisters on facebook that would keep my heart and soul laughing for hours. Bringing happiness to all is a treasure and Terry had that ability. He was truly loved and cherished by his family. It will never be goodbye....but until we meet again. Remember him with His Love and laughter bc it will be those precious memories that will keep you solid in your faith and hope. May the Good Lord hold you all in the palm of His Hand and comfort you with the passing of your Husband, Father, Grandpa, Brother, Uncle and Cousin. Maybe he has the chance to see Little Nellie again who came to live with our family for years which we appreciated very much. Much Love, Jacquelline Somerville, Brandi & Samba Saidy (Hannah & JoJo) and Kurt & April Hughey (Izzy & Lil Jack).

Jacquelline Somerville - December 03, 2020 at 01:40 PM

JP

“ There are so many memories, so many amazing times our families shared: Tigers games, birthdays, holidays, sporting events, weddings, graduations.....my God this is just heartbreaking. Sending all my love to each and every one of you,
❤️ Jenn, Zach, Abby

Jennifer Platt - November 27, 2020 at 12:02 AM

BG

“ Bonnie Grover lit a candle in memory of Terry Lee Sallee



Bonnie Grover - November 26, 2020 at 08:42 AM

DS

“ *Nothing Gold Can Stay*
by Robert Frost

*Nature's first green is gold,
Her hardest hue to hold.
Her early leaf's a flower;
But only so an hour.
Then leaf subsides to leaf,
So Eden sank to grief,
So dawn goes down to day
Nothing gold can stay.*

I love you Dad!

Dan Sallee - November 26, 2020 at 08:34 AM