



## Terrel J Berning

March 27, 1929 - December 19, 2016

Terrel Jack “Terry” Berning, age 87, of Evansville, passed away Monday, December 19, 2016 at the Heritage Center surrounded by his family.

Terry was born March 27, 1929 in Evansville to the late Henry F. “Bud” and Mildred (Baechle) Berning. Terry was a 1948 graduate of FJ Reitz High School, where he was a member of the basketball and track teams. He worked as a salesman for over 42 years for Walsh Bakery, Sunbeam Bakery and Lewis Bakery before retiring in 1992. He had also managed a service station at the corner of Franklin Street and Wabash Ave. He was a 50 year member of Evansville Masonic Lodge #64 and also a member of the Friends of Mesker Park Zoo. Terry was very active; he enjoyed playing golf, working on older cars, woodworking and making bird house kits for Mesker Park Zoo. He was also an avid outdoorsman, enjoying hiking, canoeing, biking and growing his azaleas and rhododendron. More than anything, Terry was a family man who enjoyed playing tennis with his wife and watching his children and grandchildren participate in their activities.

Surviving Terry are his wife of 67 years, Dorothy “Dot” Berning; a daughter, Barbara (Fred) Willman of Evansville, two sons, David (Joan) Berning of McBee, SC, Steven (Betsy) Berning of Racine, WI; a brother, Donald (Juanita) Berning of Evansville; sister-in-law, Doris Berning of Columbus, OH; seven grandchildren, six great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, Terry was preceded in death by a brother, Robert Lee Berning and sister, Byrde Mae Schroeder.

The family will hold private funeral services at a later date with burial in Memorial Park Cemetery. Pierre Funeral Home is assisting with arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Condolences may be made online at [www.pierrefuneralhome.com](http://www.pierrefuneralhome.com).

# Tribute Wall



“ *Terrel J Berning*

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January 16, 2023 at 06:53 PM



“ *Dot: I had gotten the news about Terry just a few weeks ago. I was saddened to read of his death. He was obviously a wonderful husband, father and good friends to many. I know it will be hard for you but all of your friends will be there for you. My sympathy to you and your family. Marty V.S.*

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**Marty VanStone (Mrs. Jack)** - December 27, 2016 at 08:08 PM



“ *Dot, Barb and family: Terry always had a smile and a kind word. A gentleman and a gentle soul. And he loved the Taco Salad at Fred's Bar, which is where I most frequently saw him at lunch in recent years. My thoughts are with the family. Peace and love.*

*Steve Bohleber*

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**Steve Bohleber** - December 25, 2016 at 09:18 AM



“ *Dear Dot and your Family,*

*We were so sorry and saddened when we heard of Terry's passing. Our memories of him is of a kind and cheerful man with a wonderful sense of humor. He will be surely missed.*

*Phillip and DeAnna Outlaw*

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**DeAnna Outlaw** - December 24, 2016 at 03:50 PM

BJ

“ Dear Dot and Family, Terry was a person who people really enjoyed. He had a positive attitude and a keen sense of humor. We express our sympathy to you and your family.

*Brenda and Bill Jeffers*

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**Brenda Jeffers** - December 23, 2016 at 10:34 AM

VH

“ Our sincere sympathy to the family upon Terry's passing. We both worked at Sunbeam (office) as Terry checked in at the end of each day.

*My mother (Velma) also worked at Lewis Bakeries (office) with Terry.*

*We both remember his good work ethic and friendliness !*

*May Terry now rest in the arms of our Lord and Savior as he was a good and faithful servant on this earth.*

*Velma Waterman and Linda (Waterman) Huebschman*

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**Velma Waterman and Linda (Waterman) Hueb** - December 22, 2016 at 10:30 PM

MS

“ Dear Dot, I am so sorry for your loss. I hope you remember me from the days of Mead Johnson and tennis. I remember you spoke of Terry often. You and your family will be in my prayers.

*Warmly,  
MaryJane Baine (Silvey)  
Chapel Hill, NC*

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**MaryJane Silvey** - December 22, 2016 at 08:36 AM