



Terry Bradford Parrish

October 1, 1942 - January 11, 2019

Terry B. Parrish was born in Springfield, MO, on Thursday, Oct. 1, 1942. He passed away Friday, Jan. 11, 2019, at the Kansas City Hospice & Palliative Care facility. He was 76 when he succumbed to stage 4 lung cancer.

Terry attended Grain Valley and Van Horn High Schools. He was a brick mason by trade. He was a perfectionist when it came to making sure the walls were plumb and level, and the mortar joints were lined up properly. He also worked as a security officer after his retirement from masonry. He was particularly helpful to the KCPD on several occasions and received letters of commendation from their department.

Terry enjoyed hunting and fishing but never seemed to have enough time to do either to his liking. He constantly wanted to go target shooting. He would even go when he wouldn't participate; he loved being around others who liked to shoot. Three weeks before he passed-away he went to Bass Pro with his grandkids to watch them target practice. He had a rather eclectic collection of flashlights. The sizes varied from tiny pen lights to a four cell D battery Maglite. When it became difficult for him to walk due to the pain, he used a walker which he concealed a flashlight in a side pocket. He also gave a baseball cap with a flashlight in the bill as a gift. He was particularly pleased when he found out there was a flashlight app for his smartphone.

Terry was a very giving person. It didn't matter whether the individual was family or not. He especially enjoyed giving to people when he could meet a need. He received the nickname "Papa Claus" because he always brought something to give when he came over to visit; not just flashlights!

Terry was preceded in death by his brother Chris Ricketts. He is survived by his brother Sam Parrish, sisters Connie Raymond, Debbie McMinn, Jenny Justice, Becky Govea, son Brad and daughter-in-law Jamie, and son Brett. He leaves six grandkids; Rebekah, Hannah, Josiah, Sarah, Braden, and Grant. He also had two great-granddaughters, Lacey and Thea.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to one of the following non-profit organizations: Cancer Research Institute, Kansas City Hospice & Palliative Care, Wycliffe Bible Translators, Gideons International, the NRA, or Ducks Unlimited.

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Tribute Wall



“ *Brother, I'm sorry we never met. My condolences to all of his other family.*

Patrick Parrish - February 19, 2019 at 01:29 AM

NG

“ *Nicholas Ghovae lit a candle in memory of Terry Bradford Parrish*



Nicholas Ghovae - January 23, 2019 at 08:56 PM

NG

Uncle Terry,

I can still remember the sound of your voice, almost as if we've just spoken. You are watching over us each day with all of our beloved and will reunite with all of us in heaven.

Eternal love,

Nicholas

Nicholas Ghovae - January 25, 2019 at 01:13 PM

JJ

“ *Terry, God has called upon you leaving so many words left to say. Lasting forever are the memories from days gone by. Goodbye with love until we meet again in heaven.*
Your sister, Jennifer Justice



Jennifer Justice - January 20, 2019 at 09:15 PM

RG

“ *Dear Brad, Brett and Family My thoughts and prayers are with you all during this difficult time. Rebecca Ricketts Ghovae*

Rebecca Ricketts Ghovae - January 20, 2019 at 08:40 PM

RG

“ *Rebecca Ricketts Ghovae* sent a virtual gift in memory of
Terry Bradford Parrish



Rebecca Ricketts Ghovae - January 20, 2019 at 08:31 PM