



Theresa M. Lawrence

September 16, 1985 - September 27, 2022

Theresa "Terry" Mae Lawrence, 37, died peacefully, after a brave battle with cancer, on Tuesday, September 27, at Royal Oak Beaumont Hospital, where she was born on September 16, 1985 to Mark and Kimberly Baker. She was the devoted wife to Mark Lawrence and loving mother to her pride and joy, her sons James and Connor. She will be incredibly missed by her friends and family and all who knew her.

Ever the family gatherer, she planned annual trips to the apple orchard and the Christmas tree farm, memories the family will hold dear (and future ones to be done in her honor). She loved her "chips and dip", My Neighbor Totoro, and her childhood "blankie", an object of friendly teasing by her family. Terry was a loyal employee of Rochester Medical Group, where she worked for 15 years as a Medical Assistant and Division Manager and oversaw its most recent expansion.

Along with her parents, husband and sons, Terry leaves behind her close-knit siblings, Jenifer (Buzz) Johnstone, Emily (Andrew Obenauf) Baker, Zachary Baker, and Quentin (Rachel) Baker, along with her grandma Jean Turner; in-laws Steve, Laura, Matt (Sarah), and Tommy Lawrence; eleven nieces and nephews whom she adored; several aunts, uncles, and cousins; and her best friends of over 25 years Mary Pettey and Jaclyn Gaule. She was predeceased by grandparents Bob and Mary Baker and Duane Butts, aunt Corinne Turner,

uncles Bob Baker and Paul Baker, and cousin John Strauss.

Her family is incredibly blessed to have spent one last birthday and apple orchard outing with her. Terry loved and was loved by everyone she met. She lit up a room with her smile and touched the lives of so many. Her faith made her strong and she knew each day was a gift from God not to be wasted.

Visitation will be held Sunday, October 2, 2022 from 2-8 pm with a 6 pm Rosary at Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 705 W 11 Mile Road (4 blocks E of Woodward), Royal Oak, MI 48067. Terry will lie in state on Monday, October 3, 2022 from 10 am until the time of Mass 10:30 am at Guardian Angels Catholic Church, 581 E 14 Mile Road, Clawson, MI 48017. Burial will follow at White Chapel Memorial Cemetery in Troy.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the education of James and Connor Lawrence. Savings accounts have been established and checks can be made out to their names.

Cemetery Details

White Chapel Memorial Cemetery

621 W. Long Lake Road
Troy, MI 48098

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 2. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Directors-Royal Oak
705 W. Eleven Mile Road
Royal Oak, MI 48067
(248) 541-7000
royal@sullivanfh.com
<https://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com/>

Rosary

OCT 2. 6:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Mass

OCT 3. 10:30 AM (ET)

Guardian Angels Catholic Church
581 E. 14 Mile Road
Clawson, MI 48017

Tribute Wall

EB

“ Erin B. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Theresa M. Lawrence.



Erin B. - October 07, 2022 at 03:04 PM

IW

“ I never knew Terry Baker Lawrence. I knew her as Grace and that is the only name I've ever called her. I met her my sophomore, her freshman, year at Shrine High School and immediately upon meeting her, I blurted out, "Grace!" because she looked exactly like a character from one of my favorite TV shows. She thought it was hilarious and for 23 years, it is the only name she's ever allowed me to call her. She's Grace. My Grace. Our Grace. What started as a joke took on a whole new and more profound meaning when Grace was diagnosed with breast cancer. I've known strong people in the face of a scary situation but no one like Grace. No matter the highs, lows, pain, fear, good news or bad, she handled it all with so much hope, optimism, and faith. Even in the last few months, she didn't waver. She was no Saint and I know she must have been terrified at times but in the last few years, I realized that me calling her Grace wasn't just a silly nickname anymore. She truly embodied Grace under fire and I know I learned so much from her. Thank you for blessing my life. You will always be for me and due to your example to others, Grace. My Grace. Our Grace. I love you and miss you.

Inez Walker - October 05, 2022 at 08:54 PM

TT

“ Terry was my anchor when I started practicing at Rochester Medical Group. She was always happy to help and guide. To say I will miss her is such an understatement... Dr. Testai

Tisa Testai - October 03, 2022 at 03:26 PM

TG

“ Terry was a regular visitor to the Counseling Office at Shrine High School. She was always smiling and so full of energy. Terry was a ray of sunshine. I'm deeply saddened to hear of her passing. Such a tremendous loss for her family.

Trish Guarino - October 02, 2022 at 09:03 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Theresa M. Lawrence.



October 01, 2022 at 12:50 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Theresa M. Lawrence.



October 01, 2022 at 09:00 AM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Theresa M. Lawrence.*



October 01, 2022 at 12:01 AM



“ *I will always be grateful for Miss Terry that's what I called her when I went to the doctors she took the time to listen to my concerns and she was always a phone call away when I needed questions about my medical treatment thank you for being the best you will always Hold a special place in my heart may you rest in peace my friend*



renea meyers - September 30, 2022 at 11:22 PM



“ *Bob, Carol, Maggie, Joe purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Theresa M. Lawrence.*



Bob, Carol, Maggie, Joe - September 30, 2022 at 09:01 PM



“ *Cathy Pope purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Theresa M. Lawrence.*



Cathy Pope - September 30, 2022 at 05:37 PM

CF

“ *Crystal Schwamb & Family purchased the Fall Fantasia for the family of Theresa M. Lawrence.*



Crystal Schwamb & Family - September 30, 2022 at 04:43 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Theresa M. Lawrence.*



September 30, 2022 at 02:25 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Theresa M. Lawrence.*



September 30, 2022 at 12:40 PM

KC

“People come into your life for a reason, a season, or a lifetime” I'm so thankful James and Graham were our reason. They became fast friends as toddlers in daycare and brought us together to meet for their first playdate. Over the years we have enjoyed many playdates, gaming, video chats and laughing (and shaking our heads) at how silly our boys are and will cherish each smile :) Our heartfelt condolences go out to Mark, the boys, and everyone who knew Terry.

- The Chervenak Family (Kaye, Chris & Graham)

Kaye Chervenak - September 30, 2022 at 10:52 AM

RM

“ Renee Moeller purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Theresa M. Lawrence.



Renee Moeller - September 30, 2022 at 10:50 AM

LC

“ Lori (Work Mom) Cooper purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Theresa M. Lawrence.



Lori (Work Mom) Cooper - September 30, 2022 at 07:09 AM



“ Rochester Medical Group purchased the Rose Remembrance for the family of Theresa M. Lawrence.



Rochester Medical Group - September 30, 2022 at 07:02 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Theresa M. Lawrence.



September 29, 2022 at 09:41 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Theresa M. Lawrence.



September 29, 2022 at 07:04 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Theresa M. Lawrence.



September 29, 2022 at 06:27 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Theresa M. Lawrence.*



September 29, 2022 at 04:45 PM



“ *Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish Family purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Theresa M. Lawrence.*



Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish Family - September 29, 2022 at 03:34 PM



“ *The TKMNA Accounting and Finance Team purchased the Celestial Love for the family of Theresa M. Lawrence.*



The TKMNA Accounting and Finance Team - September 29, 2022 at 02:09 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Theresa M. Lawrence.*



September 29, 2022 at 01:22 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Theresa M. Lawrence.*



September 29, 2022 at 12:20 PM



“ *All of the Shrine School community is praying for the family. You are in our hearts.*

James Mio - September 29, 2022 at 12:05 PM



“ *I loved being your Aunt. I wish you could have come across for a visit. You and Pete always cracked me up. God speed, TC. So much love to your husband, your sons, your parents and siblings, and all the cousins, nieces, nephews, aunts, and uncles (so many!) you have left behind.*



Grace Adams - September 29, 2022 at 11:50 AM

LN

“ Terry and I really just met when you returned to from medical leave. I'd already heard of her and how much the office missed her. Upon her return she found out I was a recent breast cancer survivor and soon to go back out for follow up surgery. Terry prepared me for what was to come. It sort of scared me BUT to see her standing upright and strong was reassuring at the same time. I never seen her again. We were pink sisters sharing a bond only some would understand. I added her to our prayer list on Monday and will now continue to pray for the family. I'm so saddened by the loss. Terry will forever remain in my memory
Lu (Lucretia)

Lucretia Newsome - September 29, 2022 at 11:23 AM

CR

“ Terry I'm really going to miss your crazy but and all our fun times together. It was definitely a pleasure to get to know you and be your friend and of course desk buddy!!! R.I.P. Girl 💕💕



Crystal - September 29, 2022 at 10:42 AM