



## Terry L. Balk

January 3, 1954 - February 9, 2018

Terry L. Balk, 64, of Kankakee passed away February 9, 2018 at St. Joseph Medical Center in Joliet, IL. He was born January 31, 1954 in Kankakee, IL to Sylvester and Rosalie (Sherrill) Balk. Terry married Lianne Wegrich June 5, 1982 in Aroma Park, IL.

He was employed by Armstrong World Industries. Terry enjoyed watching the Chicago Bears, Cubs and Nascar. He loved grilling out around the pool with his family and friends.

Terry is survived by his wife, Lianne of Kankakee, 2 sons and daughters-in-law; Michael (Megan) Balk of Bradley, Alex (Kathryn) Balk of Kankakee and his step mother, Gaynell Balk-Taylor of Gilman, IL. Also surviving are 5 grandchildren, Zander, Zavier, Kayden, Ember and Maggie.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and a sister, Rosemary Andrade.

The memorial visitation will be 11-1 pm Saturday, February 17, 2018 at Schreffler Funeral Home, Kankakee Chapel. The memorial service will follow at 1 pm also at Schreffler Funeral Home, Kankakee Chapel. Deacon Patrick Skelly will officiate. Burial will be in the Aroma Park Cemetery, Aroma Park, IL. Memorials may be made to Family Wishes.

Please sign his online guestbook at [www.schrefflerfuneralhomes.com](http://www.schrefflerfuneralhomes.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Aroma Park Cemetery

Sandbar Road  
Aroma Park, IL 60910

# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

FEB 17. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Schreffler Funeral Home - Kankakee Chapel  
1900 W. Court St.  
Kankakee, IL 60901  
(815) 932-2421  
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# Tribute Wall



“ Terry L. Balk

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February 03, 2023 at 04:30 AM



“ A good friend and a lot of fun to be around. I got to know Terry through his close friends Tony Wehrle and Danny Cote when we began playing together in our band, Blue Gin. Terry was always with us for those few years and was the constant source of comic relief we needed. He became our unofficial roadie, whom we somehow nicknamed "What They Do!" and enjoyed our music and made us laugh non-stop.

*I remember when Terry proudly pulled up in front of York Radio with his brand new Firebird, brown with burnt umber detailing. He took me for a ride for lunch and showed me what it could do. I was very jealous of that car.*

*Terry would stop in a lot at York where I sold stereos. I'll never forget the day he dropped by and asked me to put a brand new record on he had just bought, saying, "I think these guys might be something big." That record was Boston's first album.*

*Love you and miss you, Terry.*

*Thomas Beach*

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**Thomas Beach** - January 16, 2019 at 08:54 AM

SF

“ So sorry to hear of the passing of Terry. I will always remember the laughs we shared at Armstrong . I am glad to have known you and was able to call you my friend !

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**Steve Fournier** - February 21, 2018 at 03:53 PM



“ Terry was a Bull of a man who truly enjoyed life, and loved Leeann more than anything. I'M SO SORRY I missed this.

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**Horacio Acevedo** - February 18, 2018 at 03:05 PM

GB

“ So very sorry to hear of Terry's passing. I remember the times we all spent at Station House watching football. I am thinking of you.  
Peace

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**Genice Bailey** - February 17, 2018 at 12:07 PM

DW

“ Terry was always ready to have people come by and cook out, work on a car or a motorcycle and have a drink or two. We will miss him and his smiling face. Say hi to your Mon, Dad, sister and nephew for us. Till we see you again, take care Do.



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**Don and Leigh Wegrich** - February 17, 2018 at 11:30 AM

DW

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**Don and Leigh Wegrich** - February 17, 2018 at 11:24 AM

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“ Ozzy And Karen lit a candle in memory of  
Terry L. Balk



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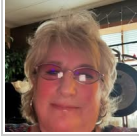
**Ozzy and Karen** - February 16, 2018 at 11:01 PM

SI

“ So many good memories to cherish! My dear brother in law and friend, I know you are celebrating with Mom, Dad, Paul and your Mom, Dad and Sister. Thank God that you were a part of my life, my being and my soul. Never forgotten, Terry! We'll meet again some day!  
Love and Hugs to you all. Thinking of you now, and always!  
(Aunt) Susie

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**sue idleman** - February 16, 2018 at 04:29 PM



“ *I am deeply saddened to come across this obit. Have not seen Terry for many years but still have many fond memories of him and his beautiful wife and classmate Leanne Wegrich Balk. My deepest condolences to Lee and all the family*



*Sincerely  
Alexia "Chambers" Helm*

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**Lëxië Suë** - February 16, 2018 at 04:10 AM

BC

“ *Leanne and family I am so very sorry to hear about Terry's passing. We know he is in Heaven with your Mom and all other loved ones that passed through Heaven's gates before him. I am out of state but will be back in Illinois next week. I will be by your way to give you a big hug. Again I am so sorry. Remembering the time we all went boating together and how we laughed for days afterward when I climbed back on the boat. I thought Terry was gonna bust a gut. Oops!!! Sendind prayers and love your way.*

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**Betty Cornin** - February 15, 2018 at 04:37 PM

VC

“ *Our sincere condolences in the loss of Terry. Mike and Vickilynn (Fox) Costa. I was in his HS Class of '72.*

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**Vickilynn Costa** - February 15, 2018 at 12:10 AM

Lyn  
Glover

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Lyn Glover - February 14, 2018 at 11:27 PM

DB

“ Terry (Boz) was a good friend for many years, outside of work and also at Armstrong. Terry will be missed by all his friends and Lianne you are in my prayers along you two sons and daughter in laws.



Dave B. - February 14, 2018 at 07:43 PM

LC

“ Li. Haven't seen you or Terry in years but have great memories. Praying for you and your family in this dark time. RIP Terry. Godspeed. Linda and Tom Cyrier



Linda Cyrier - February 14, 2018 at 07:36 PM

MB

“ Minnie Brewer Brewster lit a candle in memory of Terry L. Balk



minnie brewer brewster - February 14, 2018 at 07:09 PM



“ *Dear sweet Li and family, So sorry to hear about Terry's death. Will be praying for your peace and comfort. Ruth McGrath Bohlman*

Ruth Bohlmann - February 14, 2018 at 04:50 PM



“ *Lianne and family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time of your loss. May god be with all of you.*

*Chris McGowan Benoit  
Richard McGowan*

Chris Benoit - February 14, 2018 at 01:27 PM



“ *Ruth Donaldson lit a candle in memory of Terry L. Balk*

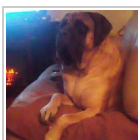


Ruth Donaldson - February 14, 2018 at 10:16 AM



*So very sorry for your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers Alex.*

Ruth Donaldson - February 14, 2018 at 10:16 AM



“ *Rest in peace now Terry. You will be missed, yet, we still have our memories.*

*David, Sherry and Matthew Rashenskas*



Sherry Rashenskas - February 14, 2018 at 09:53 AM

TA

“ Tom & Judy Andersen lit a candle in memory of Terry L. Balk



Tom & Judy Andersen - February 14, 2018 at 09:11 AM

TA

Li and Family,  
So sorry to hear about Terry. Our deepest sympathy.  
Tom & Judy

Tom & Judy Andersen - February 14, 2018 at 09:13 AM

DM

RIP Terry! Lianne, Sue and I are so sorry to hear of Terry's passing. I have special memories of the fun times we shared. He was always a great time, full of laughs.

Dave McIntire - February 14, 2018 at 05:14 PM

MC

“ Marc Christensen lit a candle in memory of Terry L. Balk



Marc Christensen - February 14, 2018 at 07:19 AM

Lyn  
Glover

“ He was my Brother in Law but really my Brother, my friend, my protector. Now he's my Guardian Angel. He came into my life when I was 7. He was always the cool guy with the fastest, coolest car and the coolest motorcycle. He took me waterskiing for the first time, and taught me what Rock N Roll is. He was THE Partyman, always good food, good beer and good company. And he loved my sister more than life itself.

*I hope he's with my Mom now, and with Paul...what a great place to be.*

*Love you, Terry. Rock on! Godspeed, Brother. Until I see you again.*



*Lyn Wegrich Glover  
Nephew Jonathan Glover*

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**Lyn Glover** - February 14, 2018 at 05:21 AM

GM

“ Gene McHugh lit a candle in memory of Terry L. Balk



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**Gene McHugh** - February 13, 2018 at 09:22 PM

GM

*My sympathies to the family. An Armstrong friend, Gene*

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**Gene McHugh** - February 13, 2018 at 09:23 PM

VD

“ *Li and family I'm so sorry to read about Terry. My sympathy, love and prayers are with all of you today and always. I know he will be missed. May he R.I.P. Li I'm hear for you.*  
*Virginia*



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**Virginia R Dominick** - February 12, 2018 at 02:22 PM

CD

*Li Im so sorry to hear about Terry. May God bless you and the Boys and family. So many memories fun we all had*

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**Cindy. Blaylock ( Duncan)** - February 13, 2018 at 11:21 AM

CD

*Love ya lady.*

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**Cindy. Blaylock ( Duncan)** - February 13, 2018 at 11:25 AM

EP

*Leanne prayers and hugs. We had so many great times I'm so sorry to hear of this. God Bless you Terry and ur family. Love Libby.*

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**Elizabeth Libby Hileman Potter** - February 14, 2018 at 07:11 AM



*RIP Terry, Condolences to Lianne and the Balk family. Class of '72 has lost one more.*

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**William Hardesty** - February 14, 2018 at 10:48 AM

LY

*RIP Terry.....May God look over your Family*

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**Larry Yoakum** - February 14, 2018 at 01:08 PM