



Terry Charles Gautreaux

January 22, 1955 - October 19, 2012

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Rayne - Memorial service will be held at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Saturday, October 27, 2012 at 1:30 p.m. for Terry Charles Gautreaux, 57, who died Friday, October 19, 2012 at his residence in Rayne with family beside him, leaving a profound mark on those who knew and loved him, and leaving this world with one less honorable person.

Interment will be Thursday, November 1, 2012 at 1:30 p.m. in Restheaven Cemetery, Baton Rouge, LA.

He survived by his mother, Lois P. Gautreaux of Baton Rouge, life-long partner, Albert Owers of Rayne, brother-in-law, David Falcon and nephews Jordy and Brian Falcon of Brusley, LA, as well as his extended family: Louise and Woodie Bernard, Kelli, Jeff and Julian Eberle, and Mark, Dana, Riley and Ashton Miller.

His death follows those of his father, Charles Gautreaux, sister, Susan Falcon.

He was born Saturday, January 22, 1955 in New Orleans, LA,

Son of the late Charles Henry Gautreaux and Lois Marie Pourciau Gautreaux.

Terry's professional career spanned 20 years as a graphics designer in Lafayette's advertising community and the past 12 years as a noted interior designer. Those fortunate to have worked alongside him know that he brought beauty into their homes and laughter into their lives. Although a native of Baton Rouge, Terry was a parishioner of St. Joseph Church in Rayne where he volunteered as a teacher of the RCIA program, and, for a period, extended his decorating talents adorning the church's altar with his flower arrangements on many special occasions and holidays. His talents were surpassed by his character qualities-turning strangers into friends, treating everyone with the same level of respect, and offering himself as a great listener and advisor. A loving and giving friend, son and brother, Terry lived his life often saying, "When they replay the video tape of my life at the gates of heaven, I want to like what I see--mostly, I want Him to like what He sees."

A rosary will be recited Saturday, October 27, 2012 at 1:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church.

Friends will be received at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Rayne, LA. Saturday, October 27, 2012 from 12:00 p.m. until service time.

The Gautreaux family expresses sincere gratitude to the physicians and staff of University Medical Center, Oncologist in Crowley and to Hospice of Acadiana. In lieu of flowers they request that donations be made to: Hospice of Acadiana, Inc., 2600

Johnston, St., Ste. 200, Lafayette, LA 70503-3240 or to Miles Perret Cancer Services, 2130 Kaliste Saloom Rd., Suite 200 Lafayette, La 70508. Masses are also accepted.

Friends may view the obituary and guestbook online at www.gossenfuneralhome.net.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Gossen Funeral Home, Inc. of Rayne, LA, (337) 334-3141.

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Tribute Wall

HK

“ I'm in such disbelief that our Terry is gone. So happy I had the chance to spend that afternoon with Terry. I truly thought he was the one to beat this illness. Terry has been my dear friend since USL art classes put us together. I'll always be grateful for my class schedule that allowed our meeting to happen.
Like my husband Kevin said, "the world has lost a genuinely good&kind person"...we need more like Terry... he was so real. Albert & Lois, my heart breaks for y'all.

Henri & Kevin Moore - October 29, 2013 at 04:06 PM

RP

“ Please accept my sympathy to the loving Family & Friends in the painful loss of your dear Terry. He lived a full life and will be so missed by all who knew & loved him. May you find a measure of hope, comfort & peace in the following Bible Verses.
Rev21:4-5 "AND HE WILL WIPE OUT EVERY TEAR FROM THEIR EYES AND DEATH WILL BE NO MORE, NEITHER WILL MOURNING, NOR OUTCRY NOR PAIN BE ANYMORE THE FORMER THINGS HAVE PASSED AWAY."

Rita Perry - October 29, 2013 at 04:06 PM

RH

“ My family and I are so sorry to hear the news that Terry has passed. To me he was a lovely, multi-talented man with a gift for making me laugh. I am so glad he came over and had supper with us. Even though Mark and I have been married for 30 plus years, I had not heard of any of their childhood stories. We talked for hours and I got to see and appreciate a deep wisdom that Terry possessed. He was happy doing work he was gifted at and loved by those he held dear to his heart.

Terry also knew my mom and sisters from a "retail" type beginning but only found out he was Mark's cousin later. They were saddened by the news of his passing and agree that his legacy of friendship will always be remembered by everyone that was fortunate enough to know him.

He will be greatly missed.

Rhonda Gautreaux - October 29, 2013 at 04:06 PM

CH

“ Dear Albert,

I was so sorry to hear of your loss. Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.

Carole Hebert Hoffpauir

Carole Hebert Hoffpauir - October 29, 2013 at 04:06 PM

FA

“ I knew Terry through RCIA. He was a very special person. He always had a big smile on his face and a loving greeting every time I met him. I did not find out about his illness and death until a week after he died. It really took the wind out of my sails. God bless Terry and Terry's family.

Faye Jeffers - October 29, 2013 at 04:06 PM

GM

“ So sorry to hear of Terry's passing. I went to high school with him and yes, he was very talented. Missed him all these years and sharing his talents, travels, etc. with his classmates. Wishing all who knew him and loved him my prayers. He shall always be remembered with his wonderful smile. Gayle Schroeder Mistretta

Gayle Schroeder Mistretta - October 29, 2013 at 04:06 PM

MM

“ Terry was such a positive influence on our family. His values, patience, and kindness will always live through our memories. We treasure his love of art that has influenced our children. Albert our heart goes out to you and we love you.

Mark and Dana Miller - October 29, 2013 at 04:06 PM

DI

“ Terry was a talented young man and became a valuable member of our team and business family. Thoughtful, and compassionate, a kind and generous person. He was well respected as an artist in the advertising community and much liked by all who knew him as a good person.

*For sure, he is in heaven.
God Bless,
Dick Barra*

Dick Barra - October 29, 2013 at 04:06 PM

HL

“ I'll always remember Terry as a very good, kind hearted person. I am very saddened to hear of his passing, yet comforted to know he is no longer suffering and that he is resting in peace. He will certainly be missed.

Harold Letz - October 29, 2013 at 04:06 PM

PA

“ Albert, Mrs. Lois and family,
Terry was someone I had so much respect and admiration for. He was so deeply rooted in his faith, had such a great love for his family and friends, was so witty, and had a hearty and infectious laugh.
He is gone way too soon but I have a feeling he is stirring things up in Heaven right now.
He will be missed. Rest in peace, my friend.
Until we meet again...

Pam Landaiche - October 29, 2013 at 04:06 PM

TO

“ I knew him when I first started working at B&C Storage. He was a great person and Loved his family. We talked many times about his Sister. I pray for his family he has left behind. He will be missed.

Toni RichaRD - October 29, 2013 at 04:06 PM

GL

“ I had the good fortune of working with Terry at Calzone, a Lafayette advertising agency. Terry was always supportive and available, no matter how crazy our schedule was. He had a great sense of humor, which could quickly diffuse a tense situation. I'll always remember hearing his laugh through the walls of our office.

We had a lot of conversations at work, some more personal and spiritual. Terry had a way of making those around him feel special and cared for.

I just thought of Terry last week I see now that it wasn't a coincidence. I wish I could have been able to visit him more recently, but I'll be grateful when our paths cross again.

Glen Gauthier - October 29, 2013 at 04:06 PM