



Terry Lee Dempsey

December 8, 1966 - February 17, 2022

Franklin County Circuit Judge Terry Lee Dempsey, age 55, of Spruce Pine, passed away on Thursday, February 17, 2022 at UAB Hospital after a brief illness.

Dempsey touched the lives of so many people, but most importantly touched the lives of his family and friends. Dempsey played many roles throughout his life, but above all, he was a loving father, son, brother, and friend. He will be greatly missed by so many and will forever live on in our memories.

Long before Judge Dempsey was elected as the Circuit Judge in Franklin County for the 34th Circuit, he graduated from Belgreen High School in 1985 as Valedictorian of his class. Dempsey then went on to graduate from Northwest Alabama Junior College in 1987, then from the University of Alabama in 1989 with a degree in Political Science, and finally from the University of Alabama School of Law in 1992 with a Juris Doctor degree. He then went on to practice law in Russellville as a partner at Lowery & Dempsey. The visitation will be 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Monday, February 21, 2022 at First United Methodist Church of Russellville. The service will follow at 2:00 p.m. with Bro. Bo Loyd and Bro. Todd Owen officiating the service. Burial will follow at Mtn Home Cemetery (Glasgow Corner).

He was preceded in death his grandparents, Braxton & Katherine Dempsey and Virmon & Estelle Hatton.

He leaves to cherish his memory, his fiance' Julie Allen; children, Braxton Lee Dempsey, Katie Dempsey Cantrell (Collier), Gracie Dempsey, Emma

Dempsey; parents, Sharline & Terry Dempsey; sister, Karen Jones; nephew, Alex Jones; niece, Abby Jones; aunts & uncles, Perry Wayne Dempsey, Donald Hatton (Dorothy), Dorothy Cooper (Jim), Shirley Duncan (Norris), Bobbie Hatton, Cecil Waldrep; and a host of friends.

The pallbearers will be Jeff Bowling, Joey Rushing, Collier Cantrell, Tim Sornberger, Joey Yarber, Alex Jones, Kevin Blackburn, and Andrew Bailey Pennington.

The family would like to extend a sincere thanks to the many friends for your prayers, texts, visits, and words of comfort during this time of our lives.

In lieu of flowers, we ask that you consider donating towards a scholarship in his memory. Donations can be mailed to 2036 Highway 52, Russellville, AL 35653. A scholarship account will be set up at a later date.

Spry Memorial Chapel assisted the family. To have us sign the book for you, please free to call or to leave private condolences, please visit our website at www.sprymemorialchapel.com.

Tribute Wall

CS

“ I?m so sorry for your loss. My prayers and thoughts are with your family and friends.

Carolyn Bragwell Smelser - February 21, 2022 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ So sorry for your loss. Terry was such an wonderful person.. he will be missed!

Kim Smith - February 21, 2022 at 12:00 AM

J9

“ Terry was a great man? He was very fair to others and always willing to help others as well??.



Johnny Law kixs 96 - February 21, 2022 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ To the Dempsey Family, we are sorry for your loss. Our thoughts & prayers are with you during this time. Jim & Debbie Hitt--Joy Fuller



Joy Fuller - February 21, 2022 at 12:00 AM

PT

“ As a judge and an attorney I was in Judge Dempsey presence on several occasions. It was always a pleasure to consult with him and discuss many things. I always valued his opinion, suggestion, guidance, and advice. I will miss our meetings. I'm sorry for your loss. I will miss him too.

Pride Tompkins - February 20, 2022 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ We were so saddened to hear of Terry's passing. He touched so many lives and will be missed by all those that knew and loved him. May he rest in Peace.

Doug and Denise Fretwell - February 20, 2022 at 12:00 AM

AW

“ We want to say how sorry we are . Our county has lost a good respectable man.
You all will be in our thoughts and prayers for days to come.
May God comfort you all with his loving spirit.

Alan & Debra(Britton) Winsted - February 20, 2022 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ No words can express how sorry I am for the family's loss. Terry was always such a nice man and always treated everyone around respectfully and with kindness. I will co tiniest to pray for this sweet family.



Teresa Whitten - February 20, 2022 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ So sorry for your lost. Terry was a very special person and was loved by so many.



Christy Hasheider - February 20, 2022 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Precious memories of years shared at BHS.💎

Teresa Allen Warmkessel - February 20, 2022 at 12:00 AM

KA

“ Sorry for your loss. Your family is in my prayers.💎

Kim Pounders Allen - February 20, 2022 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ Sorry for your loss!



Kay and Steve Hargett - February 19, 2022 at 12:00 AM

RD

“ To the family of Judge Terry Lee Dempsey with my deepest condolences i join with you the family in greiving aiso, Terry was a very good friend of mind and i will always be thinking of him

Rev. Charles A. Dale - February 19, 2022 at 12:00 AM

BP

“ I count it an honor of knowing Judge Dempsey. I could always have a conversation with him. Will be missed.

Buford Parker - February 19, 2022 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Family,
So sorry for your loss. Will pray God's comfort for you all in the coming days.
Jane Keeton McManus

Jane Mcmanus - February 19, 2022 at 12:00 AM

NH

“ You will be missed for all your kindness. Rest In Peace. To all the family you are in our prayers 💎



Norma Farthing and son Michael Howell - February 19, 2022 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Always such a kind- hearted gentleman! I worked at Wal-Mart with him in the 80s. He'd walk me to my car when we closed. Every meeting since then, he'd smile and call me by name. Such a pleasure to have known him. My heart breaks for you. My prayers for you are frequent.

Jane C Howard - February 19, 2022 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ Rest easy my friend. You were loved by all, and all will remember your kindness.

Ronnie & Avelina Fretwell - February 19, 2022 at 12:00 AM