Michael Jay Terry

November 28, 1942 ~ February 5, 2016

November 28, 1942 was a marvelous day in the lives of Bob and Darlene Terry in Yakima, Washington. Their second son, Michael, was born. He would bring joy, laughter, strength and amazement into their lives.

Mike attended Klein School and Broadway Elementary in Yakima. His family moved to Kirkland, Washington when he was 14. He attended Kirkland Junior High and graduated from Lake Washington High School. He attended Everett Community College and Seattle University.

Mike went to work driving truck for Mid Mountain Contractors. He learned about the pipeline industry and progressed from foreman to estimator to management. He was successful in starting Pilchuck Diversified Services. Mike was well known throughout the industry.

His love for Corvettes began when he was young. It blossomed into a hobby that gave him great satisfaction and joy as he restored many cars. His most recent attention was drawn to three Corvettes, years 1957, 1961 and 1962.

Mike fully participated in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. His recent callings were Home Teacher, High Priest Leader, Stake and Ward Sunday School President. He served in three Bishoprics. At the time of his passing, he was Ward Clerk for the South Mountain 4th Ward.

Our family is deeply grateful to the nurses and doctors on East Eighth floor of the LDS Hospital who cared for and loved this incredible man during his fight with leukemia. Mike passed away on Friday, February 5, 2016, surrounded by his loving wife and daughters.

Mike is survived by his adoring wife, Melissa and six daughters and five sons-in-law: Cassie (Jim), Shanna (Mike), Trisha (Dave), Meghan (Chris), Mandy (TJ) and Courtney. He has sixteen grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents, brother and son-in-law.

His life will be celebrated on Friday, February 12, at 12:00 noon at the Draper Utah South Mountain Stake Center, 1911 East Gray Fox Drive in Draper, Utah. Prior to that, friends may greet family at 10:30 am before the funeral. The family will also be available after the funeral and invite all attending to join us for light refreshments.

Michael will be entombed at Sunset Hills Memorial Park in Bellevue, Washington on Saturday, February 20. Prior to that, friends may greet family at 10:30 am before the memorial service which will begin at 12:00 noon at the Bellevue Washington Stake Center, 14536 Main Street.

Michael Terry was a Man of Courage, a Man of Strength and a Man of Compassion.