



## Terry Lynn Massengill

September 9, 1953 - December 7, 2023

Terry Lynn Massengill, age 70, passed away on Thursday, December 7, 2023, at his home in Republic, MO. He was born in Monett, MO on Wednesday, September 9, 1953; son of Donald Lee Massengill and Symantha “Joann” (Hartin) Dalton. He was a 1971 graduate of Aurora High School. After high school, he served in the Army where he was a “Gieber”, a part of a special group of guys who served in Giebelstad Germany 3rd/ 67th ADA A Battery 1970s. Mr. Massengill married Tina Alley in 2000. He enjoyed hunting, water skiing, playing games with friends and family, and completing crossword puzzles. He loved being a mechanic and helping others. He was an avid Chiefs fan and watched them regularly. Mr. Massengill enjoyed outside activities. He will be missed very much.

Surviving are the following: his wife, Tina of Republic, MO; two sons, Shawn Massengill of Iowa City, TX and Kyle Massengill of Republic, MO; two daughters, Tracy Massengill of Carthage, MO and Lisa Dziennik of Anderson, MO; two brothers, Dennis & Candy Massengill of Muleshoe, TX and Don & Sheila Massengill of Joplin, MO; one sister, Sherryl Souttee of Republic, MO; ten grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Mr. Massengill was preceded in death by his parents, Donald Lee Massengill and Symantha “Joann” Dalton; a son, Clifton Don Massengill; and a stepson, Robert Mapes.

Remarks from his Gieber buddies (who often called him "Puppet"):

Puppet....you will be missed.

RIP; Rest in peace Puppet;

Rest in peace Terry will never forget you;

Rest in peace Puppet.

Always a good guy and friend;

Rest in peace old roommate!

I'll never forget you!

Thank you for your service!

Memorial service, with full Military Honors, will be at Lakin Funeral Home on Saturday, December 16, 2023, beginning at 11:00 AM with Pastor Larry Herndon officiating. Arrangements are under the personal care and direction of Lakin Funeral Home in Pierce City, MO.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

DEC 16. 11:00 AM (CT)

Lakin Funeral Home  
501 N Elm St.  
Pierce City, MO 65723  
(417) 476-2626  
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# Tribute Wall

MB

“ Lots of fond memories playing baseball when we were kids. I never forgot about Terry dropping a baseball in the middle of a fresh made gooseberry cobbler. To the family I am sorry for your loss.  
*Monte Joe Bailey*

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**Monte J Bailey** - December 15, 2023 at 04:45 PM

GW

“ Prayers and thoughts for the Massengail family, Don and Tina so sorry for your loss.

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**Garry and Judy Williams** - December 09, 2023 at 10:52 AM

DM

“ Puppet best Army Battle Buddy of all times a true Gieber A Brother from another Mother you will be missed till the next time we see each other. You have Gained a Position with the other 15 known on the Giebers Honor Table at our next reunion . Lord Send your comforter to comfort this family at this time of need AMEN

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**Dennis G Mayher** - December 09, 2023 at 09:53 AM

PC

“ Tina, Don and the rest of the Massengill family. Sorry for your loss.

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**Peggy Coleman** - December 08, 2023 at 02:25 PM