



William Terry Higdon

December 25, 2025

William “Terry” Higdon went to be with the Lord on December 25th, 2025, after a courageous battle with Dementia and Alzheimer’s. Terry was born on October 9th, 1947, to Art and Mary Ann Higdon in Paducah KY. He was the middle child of 5. Terry had 3 brothers Larry Higdon (+2020), Wayne Higdon (+2024), Artie Higdon and 1 sister, Rebecca Jean Romero. He grew up in Fancy Farm KY and El Monte CA. He graduated HS from Bishop Amat Memorial High School where he met his wife, Kathleen Higdon (Parkhill) (+2011). Terry worked as a Grocery Store Manager and later went through the Police Academy where he would work as a Police Officer for the city of Monterey Park. In 1967, they had their 1st child, Wendy Lynne Higdon (+2025), in 1971, had their 2nd child Margaret Ann Higdon (Maggie) and in 1972, their only son, William Jared Higdon. In 1978 Terry and Kathi and their 3 children moved to McAllen, TX where they both worked for the family construction company, Parkhill Construction. In 1980, their 4th child was born, Mary Katherine Higdon (Katie). In 1983, Terry would start his own company, TnT Maintenance, where he prospered as a General contractor and Remodeling specialist.

Terry had a passion for sports, thus becoming one of the top High School sports officials in the RGV (Rio Grande Valley) for Baseball, Football and Basketball. Working numerous big level and high-profile games from Brownsville TX to Eagle Pass TX. He also excelled as an NCAA College

Baseball umpire for over 25 years. He officiated sports for over 40 years as part of the SOA, (Southwest Officials Association) and TASO (Texas Association of Sports Officials) as well. He was inducted into the Mexican Baseball Umpires Hall of Fame (2012) before his officiating came to an end in 2018. He continued his business through 2021, as his Dementia progressed, he was unable to work as hard as he always had.

Terry was a jokester who loved playing poker with his buddies and endless card games with his family and friends. He loved to go to his two favorite places, Las Vegas Café and the real Las Vegas. He also loved going back to Kentucky every summer to see his family and friends during the “picnic” season. He had a great passion for cooking and baking as everyone could never get enough of his Pumpkin cake, Grapefruit pie, and Hershey chocolate cake.

Terry remarried in 2020 and is survived by Rosario Barrajas Vera Higdon and his children, Maggie Marcelli (David), Jared Higdon (Veronica) and Katie Higdon. He is also survived by his brother Artie Higdon (Leslie) and Becki Romero (Ned). Grandchildren include Tyler Kalusevic (Mirko) William Dalton Pruitt (Joanna), Jared Higdon II, Kylie Doerr (Cole), Victoria Higdon, Ben Leveck, Christian Hernandez (Dafne), Cameron Herrera, Hunter Herrera and Landon Herrera as well as 9 GREAT Granddaughters, as well as many dear nieces and nephews. Honorary Pallbearers are William Dalton Pruitt, Benjamin Leveck, William J Higdon II, Christian Hernandez, Cameron Herrera, Hunter Herrera and William Thomas Landon Herrera.

Visitation will begin at 10:00am on Saturday, January 17, 2026 at Kreidler Funeral Home in McAllen with a Service at 11am.

The Higdon family would like to thank Heather Yanez with Vida De Paz Hospice for all the care and attention she provided to William.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the American
Dementia/Alzheimer's Association for research

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 17. 10:00 AM (CT)

Kreidler Funeral Home, Inc.
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Tribute Wall

AJ

“ Alfredo Acevedo jr lit a candle in memory of William Higdon



Alfredo Acevedo jr - January 08 at 06:07 PM

DM

“ Many years ago, I was working as an umpire at Pan Am along with his son Jarred. It was Easter. Jarred invited the Crew over to the house and Mr. Higdon made us the best breakfast ever. He was always such a pleasure to be around and made us all feel so at home. Prayers to all who knew, loved, and will miss this gentleman that was full of spirit and grace.
Doug McClure



Doug McClure - January 05 at 10:57 PM



“ My heart is hurting right now after hearing this news. Terry was ALWAYS my favorite brother-in-law. Always had jokes but always sincere. He was an amazing man. My prayers are with you all and know that God has bigger plans for him and he's definitely in good hands 🙏🙏🙏🙏
Rhonda Gillihan (Amber/Robbie)

Rhonda Gillihan - December 31, 2025 at 05:28 PM

SL

“ *First of all I want to offer my condolences. Terry was a mentor to me for over 15 years. I remember the day he ask me to become a baseball official and I have never looked back*

Stanley Lindley - December 28, 2025 at 06:27 PM

CC

RIP Terry. Hanging out with the family during poker night was beyond fun. You are now have poker any time you want. To the Higdon family my condolences. He was funny and crazy pretty much all the time.

Cris Gracia Carreon - December 28, 2025 at 07:32 PM

SH

Our condolences to your family for the loss of Terry. There are no words that can express the loss of a loved one. My husband Roger and he were cousins and they had a great time together. Sending prayers for all of his family.

*Sincerely,
Sandy Hobbs and family*

Sandy Hobbs - December 30, 2025 at 01:23 PM