



## Terry A Bang

March 1, 1943 - December 18, 2018

Terry A. Bang, age 75, of Corvallis, OR, formerly of St. Paul, MN passed through the gates of heaven on Tuesday, December 18, 2018. He died suddenly of a dissecting aortic aneurysm. Terry was a joyous, faith-filled gentleman who took the time to know his neighbors. He was finishing up his tenth year of driving for Meals on Wheels, played guitar and sang for St. Mary's 9:00 am Choir, and was director of their Resurrection Choir. He founded the St. Peter's Men's Group and then did the same at St. Andrew's Church in St. Paul, Minnesota. He played tuba in the Corvallis New Horizon Band, and bowled on several leagues for many years. He played and toured with the St. Paul Scouts Marching Band in his early twenties, and for 20 years sang and played rhythm guitar for his band, Sundown. Terry and Barb logged many hours on their Gold Wing, which he traded for his dream car, a blue Corvette, when they moved to Oregon. You could always find him with his beloved doggies who accompanied him everywhere, first, Miss Kitty and then her successor, Benji. He believed there was no other color than blue, insisting "Terry Bang Blue" was an actual color. Terry, our Santa, was the beloved husband of Barbara, and proud father to Mike, Scott, and Christina Bang, Joey (David) Kimdon and Katie Kimball, and a fun Grampy to Aria and Arbor Kimdon, Paloma Bang, and Barlow Kimball. He was the favorite (and only brother) to sisters, Jo Bang, Carli (Bill) Richard, Sue (Terry) Coady, and Marie (Paul) Schweizer, and a special person to first wife, Shirley Melaas, nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

Family and friends are invited to his wake with visitation, on Wednesday, December 26 drop in times from 5-7 pm at DeMoss-Durdan Funeral Home 815 NW Buchanan Avenue, Corvallis; Funeral Mass at 11:00 am, Thursday, December 27 at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 501 NW 25th Street, Corvallis. and burial on Friday at 11:00 a.m. at Crystal Lake Cemetery, Corvallis.

Plans for a Memorial Service in Minnesota are as follows:

Celebration of Life Friday, 7:00 pm, Jan. 11, 2018 Twin Cities Trapeze Center, 719 E Minnehaha Ave St Paul. Feel free to bring your guitars, etc, and wear blue to honor our "Terry Bang Blue".

Please share your thoughts and memories for the family at [www.demosdurdan.com](http://www.demosdurdan.com)

# Previous Events

## Wake with Visitation

DEC 26. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (PT)

DeMoss-Durdan Funeral Home and Crematory  
815 NW Buchanan Avenue  
Corvallis, OR 97330

## Mass of Christian Burial

DEC 27. 11:00 AM (PT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church  
501 NW 25th Street  
Corvallis, OR 97330

## Burial

DEC 28. 11:00 AM (PT)

Crystal Lake Cemetery  
Crystal Lake Drive, SE  
Corvallis, OR

## Celebration of Life

JAN 11. 7:00 PM (CT)

Twin Cities Trapeze Center  
719 East Minnehaha Avenue  
St. Paul, MN 55106

# Tribute Wall

BB

“ 1 file added to the album *Terry's Memorial DVD*



Barbara Bang - October 23, 2019 at 06:40 PM

BG

*I t is so loving! Brenda Gomez*

brenda gomez - June 05, 2025 at 04:58 AM



“ 0 file added to the tribute wall

January 04, 2019 at 11:50 AM

MK

“ *Dear Barb and family, I'm so very sorry to hear this news just today when I saw Katie's post on FB. I didn't know Terry well, but I could tell he was a quiet, kind, and gentle man. I'm at a loss for words, dear Barb. Please know I am thinking about you and praying that you feel God's peace and His loving arms around you at this difficult time. God Bless, Terry and all of you. Love and prayers, Melanie Kimball*

Melanie Kimball - January 04, 2019 at 11:20 AM

BB

*Thank you, my dear Melanie. I am certain Angie was there to show him around heaven. This is so horribly hard. Love you!*

Barbara K Bang - January 09, 2019 at 02:19 AM

PM

“ Terry played the Tuba in the New Horizons Corvallis Band and he will be sorely missed. He was also our gig meister setting up concerts for us at the Farmers Market, various adult care facilities and local schools. He was a real asset to our group. He was a king and gentle man. Tricia Martin

Patricia Martin - December 31, 2018 at 04:09 PM

SB

Hi Patricia, oh I love hearing that about his bowling! He did have that wild delivery. I would call my Dad and ask him often how his bowling went, and when he had a bad day, he would always say "I forgot how to bowl." One thing he always liked to say though, too, was even if he had a bad day, he would tell me the team did well. He cared a lot about the teams he was on. Thanks for sharing again. -Scott

Scott Bang - December 31, 2018 at 07:43 PM

SB

Ooops, this was meant for Nancy's post - sorry about that, Patricia - that is neat, too, hearing about him helping set up at the Farmer's Market for concerts. I appreciate the nice words about my "Pops"

Scott Bang - December 31, 2018 at 07:46 PM



Yes thank you Tricia! It's very special hearing how my dad affected others and the contributions the way to the community but I was even on aware of. And I sure wish I could've heard him play the tuba! I'm glad you had the opportunity to be in the band with him

Chris Bang - January 08, 2019 at 12:01 AM

NH

“ I just knew Terry a little bit, from a couple of summers' bowling on the Senior League in Corvallis. His bowling delivery was always fun to watch, the ball soaring 'way down the alley in the air and landing with a thump, but then it rolled on in to hit the pins right where he wanted it to. He was a nice guy and fun to be with.

*Nancy Hyde*

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**Nancy Hyde** - December 23, 2018 at 04:27 PM

MB

*And he was a Lefty with a hook! Thx Nancy. God Bless you.*

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**Michael D. Bang** - January 07, 2019 at 08:43 PM



*Yes sounds exactly like him! I can just picture it! Fun to hear your bowling experiences with him Nancy, thank you!!*

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**Chris Bang** - January 07, 2019 at 11:58 PM



*Oh and if he didn't do well he always said "I forgot how to bowl today". But he always shared with me how his teammates bowled and how the whole team did. He cared about everyone. Always fun to hear about that each week*

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**Chris Bang** - January 08, 2019 at 12:04 AM

JK

“ We feel so privileged to have known Terry. He and Barb were among the first people we met at St. Mary Church. Their kind, friendly, welcoming demeanor immediately made us feel comfortable and “at home” in the community. Terry was a talented musician who shared his abilities in a joyful expression of service, made others feel comfortable doing likewise, and contributed greatly to the spiritual experience of others at St. Mary Church. We will miss him greatly and offer our deepest condolences to Barb and family.

*John Krochta & Marg Bartosek*

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**John Krochta** - December 22, 2018 at 07:15 PM



*Thank you John for sharing your memory of my Dad, it means a lot. God Bless, Chris Bang*

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**Chris Bang** - January 07, 2019 at 11:56 PM

BB

*Thank you, John and Marg, I so appreciate your support.*

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**Barbara K Bang** - January 09, 2019 at 02:20 AM

DW

“ To Barb (and family): I was saddened to read the recent obituary in today's GT regarding Terry's passing. Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you during this time of loss. How awesome, though, that he is now in heaven and hanging out with his Savior, and one day you will get to see him again. As a fellow barbershopper, I'm sure he's enjoying singing in that heavenly barbershop chorus or quartet!! Blessings and a big hug to you!!



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**Dan Wolfe** - December 20, 2018 at 02:22 PM

JM

*Barb and Family, My deepest and sincere condolences to you and your family. I know the loss when a loved one such as Terry leaves this earth but now in heaven. It was a pleasure to meet Terry when he would drive his Blue Corvette with Miss Kitty to bring you lunch. Much love to you, your family and friends!*

Janet Miller - December 22, 2018 at 12:28 PM

NR

*Chris, Barb, and Family, we are so very sorry for your loss. Terry was a vibrant gentleman who shared love and joy everywhere he went. Heaven has gained a great man! Some of our fondest memories, Terry and Barb sang at our wedding 20 years ago at St Andrews, he brought Bert into the men's group as a young 20 something, and of course, we love the Roselawn Memorial services. This was very meaningful to me because my dad and brother are buried there. Our favorite memories are the pizza and cake gatherings for either Terry or Barb's birthday. This is where we got to know Terry and Barb's kids well.*

Nadia Roers - December 25, 2018 at 09:17 PM

BB

*Thank you so much for all your kind words, it means so much. God Bless.*

Barbara K Bang - January 09, 2019 at 02:21 AM



“ 3 files added to the album Memories Album



DeMoss-Durdan Funeral Home and Crematory - December 20, 2018 at 01:35 AM

BR

*Be strong, Barb. We love you!* 😊💕🙏❤️❤�

Bill Richard - December 23, 2018 at 10:56 PM

KK

*I will miss seeing Terry and Benji on her magic flying carpet. I have my favorite patients and he was certainly one of them.  
My prayers are with you Barb and your family also. Kathy*

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**Kathy Kienle** - December 26, 2018 at 02:18 PM

JC

*I will always remember Terry and his kindness, when I returned to St. Marys Parish after living on the coast for many years. I joined his Choir, and was always amazed, how he could teach us a song in twenty minutes that the family had selected for their loved-ones service. He will be missed by many!*

*God bless you Barb and family.  
Joyce Chirrick*

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**joyce chirrick** - December 27, 2018 at 09:28 AM



*Barb,*

*Robin Tatro just sent me a message to see if I had heard about Terry's passing. We were shocked and sad to hear about it. You and Terry were always fun to be around and we missed you when you moved. You both shared your God given talent for music which made others so happy! Cherish your memories together. May God sustain you and your family during this time of adjustment without Terry.*

*You are in our prayers.  
Janell and Tim Ducklow*

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**Janell Ducklow** - January 01, 2019 at 02:42 PM

LA

*Barb and Family, Clair and I were so sad to hear of Terry's passing. I first met Terry when I sang with him in Music Makers. I will never forget your performance at the last NSP Alumni concert when you were Mr. & Mrs. Santa. You brought such joy wherever you performed. Thank you for sharing your musical talent with us. God be with you as you mourn your dear husband and father.*

*With our sympathy and love!  
Linda Atchison and Clair McReynolds*

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**Linda Atchison** - January 03, 2019 at 01:32 PM

BB

*I wish I could express how much it helps my heart to read your notes. I was so blest to be married to him for 31 years.*

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**Barbara K Bang** - January 09, 2019 at 02:27 AM