



## James Terry Laws

March 14, 1952 - March 8, 2021

James Terry Laws, 68, passed away at home, March 8, 2021 following a sudden illness.

Born in the Slater-Marietta community, he was the son of James Talmadge “Tab” and Alma Ledford Laws. Terry graduated from Slater-Marietta High School in 1970, The University of South Carolina in 1974 and received his Juris Doctorate from the University of South Carolina in 1977.

Those left to mourn his sudden passing include: the love of his life, his wife Meredith Chatburn Noon, two daughters: Courtnay M. Laws, who shares his love of the law and Jourdan Laws Casey (Rick Casey) who shares his love of music, along with one step-son: Connor Noon: and one grandson: James Patrick Casey.

Following his early career with larger law firms, Terry made the bold move several decades ago to establish his own law practice, and was especially proud of the fact that his daughter, Courtnay joined the firm, Laws & Laws several years ago.

Terry had a very successful career but never forgot his humble beginnings in the little close-knit community in and around the Slater mill village in northern Greenville County. Terry maintained and cherished friendships throughout his life that had begun more than sixty years ago on that storied mill hill.

Just last week, Terry participated in a memorial service for a lifelong dear friend, Gary Askew. Now he is also gone, but will not be forgotten by those who will long cherish his memory. Terry loved good food, good music, good

bourbon, and a good cigar. Those who knew him best know that he departed this earthly existence having enjoyed a life well lived.

A private memorial service will be held at a later date.

The family will be at their respective homes.

Online condolences may be expressed to the family at [www.thehowzemortuary.com](http://www.thehowzemortuary.com).

The Howze Mortuary, Travelers Rest, is in charge of the arrangements. (864-834-8051).

# Tribute Wall

MH

“ So sorry to hear of Terry's passing. I found out because I needed a real estate attorney and, of course, wanted to turn to an old friend from school days. I have happy memories of Terry and the Slater-TR gang. My heartfelt condolences to his family.

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**Marisel Hunkeler** - July 06, 2021 at 11:47 AM

SC

“ So sorry to hear of the passing of Terry. I worked for him years ago and he really taught me a lot about real estate closings. He will be truly missed by many. My thoughts and prayers go out to Meredith and his family.

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**Shelia S. Carter** - May 14, 2021 at 10:51 AM

KM

“ I just called the office and found out. I met Terry in 1991 when I was the youngest realtor in Greenville. He closed most of those deals in the early years and began helping me in my personal life with rental property. I am shocked to hear this. I am so lucky to have known him. Sincerely, Kim Mann

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**Kim Mann** - May 12, 2021 at 03:46 PM

 Scott Presley

“ So sorry to hear of Terry's passing. What a great person he was. Prayers go out to his family. God bless.

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**Scott Presley** - April 07, 2021 at 09:24 AM

HH

“ Meredith: Sean and I are so very sorry to hear of Terry’s passing. We feel so fortunate though to have spent that lovely evening together with you both so we could get to know him and see the close relationship that you shared. We send you our love and support and are here for you if you need anything... Heather

Heather Higbee - March 26, 2021 at 08:50 AM

TC

“ Meredith please accept my most sincere condolences to you, Courtney and the rest of the family. I’m so sadden to learn of Terry’s sudden passing.

Toni Coleman-Auston - March 23, 2021 at 12:38 PM

LH

“ May his rest be this day in Paradise. Heartfelt love to his family.



Linda DeGear Hardwick - March 18, 2021 at 09:05 AM

DC

“ We were saddened to hear of Terry's passing. Terry provided legal services for my real estate business as well as other legal services. He was always willing to go the extra mile and helped greatly in establishing my LLC when first starting out in real estate. I enjoyed many conversations about how and what we were going to do to save our "struggling Gamecocks" and even in those discussions his viewpoint was very wise! I consider Terry a good friend and will miss him.

*Meredith and Courtney, our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time!*

*Isaiah 41:10*

*Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.*

*Doug and Sandra Cothran*

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**Doug & Sandra Cothran** - March 17, 2021 at 06:24 AM

BR

“ I was shocked and saddened to hear of the passing of Terry. I offer m,y condolences to his family. I worked for Terry as a free-lance paralegal many years ago and still had to call him at times for my attorney to get files or advice. I pray that God gives you the strength, courage, and faith to travel this road that He has put you on. He will be missed by his colleagues, as well as his family and staff.



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**Beth Rainey** - March 16, 2021 at 03:15 PM

BA

“ My condolences to Meredith and the family. I came to know Terry in law school and we graduated together. He was a fine person and an excellent attorney.

Barry Alford - March 16, 2021 at 02:55 PM



“ We are so sadden to hear of Terry’s passing. He has assisted us for many years and was ALWAYS personable, caring and helpful. Prayers for the family. Doug and Laree Moody

I - March 16, 2021 at 02:20 PM

CR

“ We are so sorry to learn that Terry has passed. He provided many services for my family and for my Real Estate closings. A great person , very caring for others and he will be missed . Prayers for his family during this difficult time



Connir Rice - March 16, 2021 at 08:10 AM

BM

“ To the family of Terry Laws, I am so very sad to hear of Terry's passing. I have known Terry for many years and have great memories of him. We worked together at the Nelson, Mullins Law Firm in the late 1980's. He left in 1991 to form his own firm and I followed him as his paralegal. We worked together for 13 years and he was a good employer and friend. Please know that you all are in my thoughts and,most importantly, in my prayers.

*Beth Mitcheltree*

Beth Mitcheltree - March 15, 2021 at 06:20 PM

AL

“ To the Family of Terry Laws, we are so sorry to hear of the sudden passing of Terry. He will be missed by many.  
Keeping you all in our hearts and prayers.  
In Gods Love  
Grover Taft Anderson  
Sheree York  
Jill Luckenbaugh

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**anita jill luckenbaugh** - March 15, 2021 at 04:06 PM

JE

To Merideth Noon and Jourdan and the entire family so very sorry for your loss. Continued thoughts and prayers for you all 🙏🙏

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**Jeanette Eassy** - March 15, 2021 at 09:25 PM

JG

“ Janet Buchanan Gravely lit a candle in memory of James Terry Laws



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**Janet Buchanan Gravely** - March 15, 2021 at 11:33 AM

SC

“ We are so sorry to hear about Terry's passing. We are praying for Meredith, Courtney, and the rest of the family.

James and September Crawford

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**SEPTEMBER CRAWFORD** - March 15, 2021 at 09:44 AM

SC

“ So sorry to hear about the passing of Terry. I will keep all of you in my thoughts and prayers.

Shelia Stroud Carter - March 15, 2021 at 09:42 AM

MP

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with Terry's family. I've known Terry since high school and we went to USC together. He was a great guy and would help you in any way he could. Rest in peace my friend, you will be missed. Mike and Teresa Phillips

Mike Phillips - March 13, 2021 at 11:59 AM

CE

“ I was shocked and saddened to learn of Terry's passing. I've known Terry for many years and enjoyed working with him and his staff on many real estate closings over the years. Terry was also a close friend of my cousin Gary Askew who had recently passed. We send our deepest sympathy to Meredith and the entire family.

Charlotte Ellison - March 13, 2021 at 10:15 AM

JE

Meriwether Noon I am so very sorry for your loss. This is so sad and please know my heart is breaking for you. Jourdan I am so sorry for your heartbreak to. Thoughts and prayers for your family. ❤️🙏🙏

Jeanette Eassy - March 14, 2021 at 09:32 PM

VW

“ Virginia Weathers lit a candle in memory of James Terry Laws



Virginia Weathers - March 13, 2021 at 09:23 AM

DR

“ Lots of prayers to the family. Don and Nancy Rholetter

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**Don and Nancy Rholetter** - March 13, 2021 at 09:17 AM

DR

“ We send our prayers to Terry Laws family.  
Don and Nancy Rholetter



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**Don and Nancy Rholetter** - March 12, 2021 at 09:22 PM

MP

“ Mike and Teresa Phillips purchased the Sweet Tr  
anquility Basket for the family of James Terry  
Laws.



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**Mike and Teresa Phillips** - March 12, 2021 at 05:32 PM

AB

“ Courtney:

*I am shocked and saddened to hear about your dad. He helped my husband and me with all of our real estate closings; Jimmy really respected him. Will be keeping you and the rest of your family in my prayers in the coming days, weeks, and months. The hole he leaves will never close but hopefully wonderful memories will help comfort you and ease your pain over time.*

*Annalynn Barnett*

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**Annalynn Barnett** - March 12, 2021 at 05:16 PM

SS

“ Susan Southerlin lit a candle in memory of James Terry Laws



Susan Southerlin - March 12, 2021 at 04:58 PM

SS

“ Love and prayers to the families May he rest in place  
Susan Southerlin



Susan Southerlin - March 12, 2021 at 04:48 PM

GC

“ This week has been one of disbelief for me. Terry has been my real estate attorney for my family and many of my clients for over 20 years. He was the sharpest, most capable, trustworthy, witty, charming soul - always with a good story at the closing table and a dry sense of humor. He treated my clients like family. He always greeted us in the lobby with “Good morning, folks Terry Laws. Y’all come on back. Watch your toe on that board now - I don’t want anyone to trip.” ❤️ He was so proud of his daughter Courtnay, who practices law with him. He always joked about the love of his life, Meredith, saying “I married the competition”. I feel a huge sense of loss. Courtnay and Meredith, I am lifting you and your entire family up in prayer. I am also praying for the wonderful ladies in his office, who always treat me like family as well.

Gina Calvin - March 12, 2021 at 04:16 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of James Terry Laws.* ”



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March 12, 2021 at 02:04 PM



“ *Courtney and Meredith, our hearts break for you both and your families. Steve and I are thinking of you and praying that you find comfort in your faith, and in the love of your families and friends.* ”

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**Susan Englert** - March 12, 2021 at 12:18 PM



“ *To me, Terry was always a true "Southern Gentleman". His gentle demeanor combined with charm and caring for people will always leave a mark on my soul. My thoughts and prayers are with Meredith, Courtney, and the whole family.* ”

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**James Anderson** - March 12, 2021 at 11:14 AM



“ *Jewel Milk Dockery lit a candle in memory of James Terry Laws* ”



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**jewel milk dockery** - March 12, 2021 at 07:24 AM

DP

“ Dennis just spoke with Terry several weeks ago and this is such a shock. Terry was a great friend in our high school years and was always ready to “catch up” when we ran into each other. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family. Dennis and Polly Poole

dennis poole - March 11, 2021 at 09:53 PM

GB

“ Gaynell Loopet Bayne lit a candle in memory of James Terry Laws



Gaynell Loopet Bayne - March 11, 2021 at 08:47 PM

RB

“ So sad to hear this news. Terry was a friend of long standing. We worked together many years on title matters and closings. There was not a better closing lawyer in Greenville. Courteous, friendly and always eager to help, always easy to get along with. He will be sorely missed by his fellow lawyers. I will not forget him. Please accept my sympathy at this time of loss.

Ron Barbare  
Fellow attorney

ron barbare - March 11, 2021 at 08:07 PM

MS

“ I went to school with Terry my thoughts and prayers are with his family and friends. I pray for your comfort and peace. God Bless all of you.

Martha Staton - March 11, 2021 at 04:46 PM

JA

“ Prayers for the family 🙏  
*I attended school with Terry from the first grade and we remained friends through the years. I worked at BTR and used Terry often for mortgage closings. He was always so kind, always professional and enjoyed helping people. He will be missed.  
Blessings in Christ 🙏*

Judy Brown Alford - March 11, 2021 at 04:37 PM

JA

“ *Judy Brown Alford lit a candle in memory of James Terry Laws*



Judy Brown Alford - March 11, 2021 at 04:32 PM

RG

“ *Prayers for the family. Terry was a wonderful man. He will be missed.*



Ruby Childs Goldsmith - March 11, 2021 at 04:18 PM

RJ

*Our thoughts and prayers go out to Terry's family He was a long time friend from grade school on . May you Rest In Peace my friend . Roger James.*

Roger James - March 12, 2021 at 09:10 PM

SW

*Terry helped us close on our first home here in Greenville, over 20 years ago, and our paths crossed again many years later after I got to know you, Meredith. I loved that Terry could hang with the approx. 100 women that would invade your home to network! He was always so gracious, with that Southern charm and sense of humor. God Bless him and hold tight to all your memories.*

*Stacie Wallice*

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**Stacie Wallice** - March 23, 2021 at 08:40 AM

SF

*Just was made aware of our loss....Terry was one of the good guys! His presence will be missed.*

*Sandra Williams-Freeman, friend and associate*

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**Sandra Freeman** - April 22, 2021 at 03:06 PM



*I was so sorry to hear about Terry's passing. He was always great to work with and I always enjoyed our time together. Condolences to Meredith, Courtney and the family.*

*Jack Heckman*

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**Jack Heckman** - May 28, 2021 at 01:23 PM