



## Theresa Anne Freeman

May 14, 1950 - April 11, 2026

Theresa Anne Freeman (Terry), 75, passed away peacefully on April 11, 2026, leaving behind a legacy of laughter, "schemes," and a legendary radiant smile. A native of Stoneham, Massachusetts, Terry was one of eight children who famously crowned herself "Queen" of the family. Her childhood escapades became the foundation of the vivid stories she told her own children—tales that always managed to highlight the best qualities of her parents and siblings, even when mischief was involved.

A lifelong educator, Terry had a unique gift for connecting with students who needed grace the most. While she often joked about her lack of artistic skill, she was a visionary of creativity, recruiting others to help bring her imaginative teaching projects to life.

Terry "never met a stranger." Whether through her "gift of gab," her prolific letter-writing, or her signature facial expressions that said everything words couldn't, she stayed connected to friends across the globe. She was happiest when a long walk could be paired with a long conversation, always pausing to point out the beauty in the quiet details of the world.

Terry was known for her "Terryisms," her quick wit, and a home that was always open for a cup of tea and a chat. She was a master communicator who maintained decades-long friendships through hand-written cards and marathon phone calls. If you walked with Terry, you didn't just get exercise; you got a guided tour of the "interesting things" the rest of us often miss. A dedicated teacher and a devoted mother, Terry's heart belonged to her

grandchildren. She was their biggest fan, attending every event with pride and dreaming up elaborate holiday decorations to ensure every milestone felt like magic.

Terry is reunited with her beloved husband, Michael Freeman; her parents, J. Joseph and Theresa Meegan; and her siblings, Kathleen Goodhue, Thomas Meegan, and Elizabeth Martelli.

She is survived by her daughters, Suzanne Scott (Jason) and Kimberly Chapman (Richard); her cherished grandchildren, Hunter, Sierra, and Liesel "Elsie"; her siblings, Robert (Janet) Meegan, Helen Meegan, Maryellen Meegan, and Rose (Neil) Lerer; and a large circle of beloved nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be on Tuesday April 21, 2026 5:00pm to 7:00pm at James A. Dyal Funeral Home 303 S. Main Street Summerville, SC

Celebration of life service will be on Wednesday April 22, 2026 11:00 am at St. John the Beloved Roman Catholic Church 28 Sumter Avenue Summerville, SC 29483.

Interment will be at Plantation Memorial Gardens 3345 S. Live Oak Drive Moncks Corner, SC 29461.

# Cemetery Details

## Plantation Memorial Gardens

3345 S. Live Oak Drive  
Moncks Corner, SC 29461

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 21. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

James A. Dyal Funeral Home  
303 S. Main Street  
Summerville, SC 29483  
(843) 873-4040  
<https://www.jamesadyal.com>

## Celebration of Life Service

APR 22. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. John the Beloved Catholic Church  
28 Sumter Avenue  
Summerville, SC 29483

# Tribute Wall



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Theresa Anne Freeman.*



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April 21 at 06:27 PM



“ *Mrs Freeman was my First Grade teacher at Summerville Catholic School. She was always very nice, encouraging and passionate about teaching. She wanted nothing more to watch us not only succeed in the First Grade but in life. She will be missed. Sending my condolences, thoughts and prayers to the family.*

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**Jason McFarland** - April 21 at 05:24 PM



“ *Terry was one of the kindest, sweetest souls I've ever met, and the world is a little less special without her here.*

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**Matt Nichols** - April 21 at 04:58 PM



“ *Michael, Kathy, Zack and Ashley Freeman purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Theresa Anne Freeman.*



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**Michael, Kathy, Zack and Ashley Freeman** - April 21 at 02:58 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Theresa Anne Freeman.*



April 21 at 02:46 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Theresa Anne Freeman.*



April 21 at 07:41 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Theresa Anne Freeman.*



April 20 at 11:16 AM



“ *Suzanne and Kim, please accept my condolences that the loss of your dear sweet mother Terry. She was a great teacher and a good friend. I enjoyed working with her at Summerville Catholic School. It was because of her my son had a chance of having a good life. She was patient, kind and selfless with all of her students. She understood that each one as an individual and focused on their abilities rather than their disabilities. ~ Diane Marr*

**Diane Marr** - April 19 at 03:05 PM

JM

“ Terry was a dear friend through high school & college. We worked summer jobs together & spent summer weekends laughing the days away. She was, without a doubt, one of the kindest, sweetest people I ever knew.  
My thoughts & prayers for her family.

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**Jan Marrocco-Merlino** - April 19 at 12:09 PM

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“ Tim & Janet Larkin purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Theresa Anne Freeman.



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**Tim & Janet Larkin** - April 19 at 11:59 AM

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“ Terry has been a pesky neighbor, one of my dearest friend for over forty years and I will never forget her. Now I have no one to come over to borrow something, if it was sugar Tom would get something sweet out of it. I loved going over for a cup of tea and listening to her stories. We think of her and Mike often and will always miss them.  
We watched all three of her grandchildren grow up and now we have Hunter the oldest living next door so we still get to keep an eye on them for Terry.  
We love and miss you Terry, Love Diana and Tom Walstrom

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**Diana and Tom Walstrom** - April 19 at 11:13 AM

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*Terry was a very sweet and funny lady. We knew her through St John the Beloved and SCS. Gary worked on her computer time to time. She will be missed, especially her smile. Sincere condolences to her family. With love, Gary, Sue and Drew Nosotti*

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**Susan Nosotti** - April 19 at 11:48 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Theresa Anne Freeman.*



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April 19 at 11:06 AM