



Terry Hirtzinger

February 3, 1932 - June 27, 2015

Terry Russell Hirtzinger 83 of Enon, OH died Saturday, June 27. He was born February 3, 1932 in Springfield, OH, son of Russell and Marjorie Hirtzinger. Terry graduated from Springfield High School in 1949. He received his Bachelor of Sciences in Education in 1953 and his Masters of Education in 1958, both from Wittenberg College. Terry had earned 45 hours toward his PHD in Educational Administration from the Ohio State University.

Terry served in the U.S. Army before becoming a teacher at Tecumseh High School. After two years, he was appointed as Principal of Greenon High School where he served for seven years. Terry then joined Taylor Publishing Company in Dallas, Texas, where he served as Yearbook Representative for 50 years. Terry became one of the top ten leading representatives in the nation for many years.

Terry was a member of the Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity, member of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Springfield, member of National Education Association, Ohio Education Association and the Clark County Retired Teachers Association where he served as Past President. He was a member of Elderly United, Enon Community Historical Society and the Greenon Alumni Association. He served on the Mad River Greenon School Board of Education for nine years.

Terry had many hobbies that included gardening (raising tomatoes), reading, traveling, attending Bengals football games, Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra, Cincinnati Ballet and the Cincinnati Shakespeare Company and various theater and musical productions.

Terry was preceded in death by his parents, his loving wife of 60 years, Gwendolyn (Long) Hirtzinger and his son Gregory Allen Hirtzinger. Terry survived by two sisters Jenifer Dabe (Gary) and Betsy Jordon both of Springfield and by three children, Jeffery Terry Hirtzinger of Springfield, Vicky Lynn Deady (Michael) of Enon and Mark Steven Hirtzinger (Patricia) of Troy. Terry leaves behind eleven grandchildren and eleven great grandchildren that provided him so much joy.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Frank C. Long Scholarship Fund, Springfield Foundation, 233 N. Limestone St., Ste 201, Springfield, OH 45503

Cemetery Details

Enon Cemetery

6013 Dayton Springfield Rd
Springfield, OH 45502
(937) 864-2881

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 1. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Adkins Funeral Home
7055 Dayton Road
Enon, OH 45323
(937) 864-2288

Funeral Service

JUL 2. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Adkins Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Terry Hirtzinger



Adkins Funeral Home - July 01, 2015 at 01:47 PM

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“ we always enjoyed the hirtzingers and will greatly miss them!
enon community historical society

enon community historical society - July 02, 2015 at 05:18 PM



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Alex - July 01, 2015 at 09:32 AM

“ Once we got to the office Mr. Hirtzinger explained the problem, what we had done to cause it, and if it was serious enough, we had two choices. 1. Just bend over or 2. Just bend over and grab the desk. At that point we observed the largest paddle with holes in it known to man. Only two adjustment contacts were administered and we tried to leave the office as real men, with a small tear in each eye. But I have to tell you he never held it against us and never mentioned it again, This was something he did and I realized later in life it would serve me well as I was handling personnel of my own.

As and adult I served this county for 36 years and I have seen the various changes society has made, most not good.

I am so thankful to have met, and been a student, at Greenon while Mr. Hirtzinger was there. He taught us so many things that were important and we did not realize until way down the road of life.

My sincere condolences to each of you on Mr. Hirtzinger's passing. We have lost a great and gentile man who was respected by all, fair to everyone, and the type of man we need so much in today's society.

I know we all have heard the saying, " Those we the good old days" and I want you to know mine certainly were, and Mr. Hirtzinger was a great part of that experience!

Rest in Peace Mr. Hirtzinger, you guided us all, and we will forever miss you.

Vaughn McKenney Class of "64"

Vaughn McKenney - June 30, 2015 at 09:34 AM

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Terry and I were more than "boss" and employee...we were friends. We even considered partnering away from school in several business ventures. This all ended when he left to enter yearbook sales in November of 1962 and I left to join a rival yearbook company in January 1963. Terry and Gwen were dear friends and we worked and partied together during my short five seasons as head football coach, speech and English teacher at Greenon. Reading above, I often was Terry's "witness" to his discipline, and Vaughn was correct in assessing his non emotional approach to his punishment. After football practice, we would venture into the kitchen to get some leftover cherry cobbler...sit there, eat and talk over the school day. Later, I became a sales manager for Terry's yearbook company and visited his sales office many times to help with seminars, etc. He was an excellent business man and loved his customers as much as he had his students.

Terry was a good, loyal friend, and I am sad that we had not lived close enough these past 20 years to meet more often. Terry will certainly be missed and remembered by hundreds of former students and yearbook customers. May he rest in peace. Micky and I send our heartfelt sympathy to Vicky, Greg and Mark at this difficult time. May God bless.

Bob and Micky Hastings

Bob Hastings - July 01, 2015 at 08:54 AM