



Terrance McCullough

August 15, 1946 - February 26, 2006

Terrance McCullough -- Kankakee Visitation for Terrance "Terry" J. McCullough, 59, of Kankakee, will be from 4-8 p.m. Thursday at the Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home, west Kankakee, and from noon Friday at Wesley United Methodist Church, Bradley, until the 1 p.m. services. Rev. Tom Wilber will officiate. Memorials may be made to Juvenile Diabetes Research or to the family wishes. He died Sunday (Feb. 26, 2006) in Dallas, Texas, on a business trip. Mr. McCullough was a college athletic scout for the National Collegiate Scouting Association and an associate baseball scout for the Tampa Bay Devil Rays. He was born Aug. 15, 1946, in Kankakee, the son of John and Ardis Ziemer McCullough. He was a graduate of Mt. Vernon Township High School and Murray State University. He was a former member of the Limestone Little League Board and active in committees in Herscher School District. He was a member of Wesley United Methodist Church and enjoyed baseball, hunting, golfing, fishing, boating, motorcycling and snowmobiling. Surviving are his wife, the former Wendy Rogers, whom he married March 29, 1980, in Sioux Falls, S.D.; two sons and one daughter-in-law, Matthew A. and Nicole McCullough and John P. McCullough, all of Kankakee; his mother of Kankakee; four sisters and brothers-in-law, Donna M. and Vincent Giacchino of Bradley, Sue and Don Glenzinski of Kankakee, Kathleen and Douglas Smith of Bradley, Mary Beth and Robert McGrath of Kankakee; one brother and two sisters-in-law, Michael D. and Betty McCullough of Dandridge, Tenn. and Vickie (A.J.) Torres of Kankakee;

mother-in-law, Beverly Rogers of Minnesota; one granddaughter, Madysen; 14 nieces and nephews; and seven great-nieces and great-nephews. His father is deceased

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“ To Wendy, John , Matt, and the entire McCullough Family, We send our deepest sympathy and prayers at this time of your loss. Terry was a positive force for the Herscher and Limestone area for many things. He will be greatly missed. John and Judy Cooper & family

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“ Don and Darlene Ziemer

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“ I owe much of my love of baseball to Terry, who drafted me for his Limestone Minor League Team Preston Roofing when I was 8 years old. I can vividly remember the days playing ball with Matt, Mike Dyas and Drew Johnson. He was a great teacher and coach, and I am undoubtedly a different person today because of Terry. Caleb Benoit

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“ Wendy & Family,

I couldn't believe when Mom called and told us the news about Terry. He seemed like he was just really enjoying life. You are in our thoughts and prayers in this difficult time of sorrow.

We are sorry that we can't be with you but know that we are thinking of you always. We are told the Lord only gives us what we can handle but sometimes it is hard to bear.

We will Always remember Terry's wonderful smile.

Love Always,

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“ To Wendy, Matt, John, Artis and the entire McCullough family you have our sincere sympathy during this time. Terry was the Best Man at our wedding in 1967. He and I had been roommates at Murray that previous spring semester. Both Cynthia and I have known Terry since the 8th grade . He moved to Mt. Vernon and we became friends for life. I have talked to Terry several times over the years and have always enjoyed his positive attitude and love for his family. May GOD Bless and comfort all of you.
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“ I want to send my deepest sympathy to the McCullough Family. I met Terry when he started working for NCSA. Little did I know Terry already knew me. When I heard a "Perfect Game" guy was coming in for an interview at NCSA I immediately did some research. What a small world. It turns out I played for Terry when he started the Perfect Game League when I was a Jr. and Sr. in high school. He actually brought in my statistics from that season and I thought to myself, WOW, this man remembered me. I was equally thrilled when Terry thought enough of myself to send me a present in the mail. I received a Tug McGraw bracelet because I was a "baseball guy." What a compliment coming from the ultimate baseball guy. I will never forget you Terry.##imported-begin##Deon Dinsmore##imported-end##

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“ We are so very sorry to hear about Terry. He was a wonderful father, husband, brother and friend. We are blessed to have known him. Our deepest sympathies to the whole family and our apologies that we were not able to be there to express our sympathies in person.

Our thoughts and prayers will be with all of you during this very difficult time.

Love,

Bob, Jamie, Jill and Kert Glenzinski##imported-begin##Bob & Jamie Glenzinski##imported-end##

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“ Where to start...I have many great memories with Terry and the McCullough family. ¶½Terry has been around my family and I since I can remember. ¶½Through my baseball career, he was there to tell me where I had a glitch in my swing but anything that he said I would take to heart and do my best to improve on what he said. ¶½He was always a laid back hard working person who would do anything for anyone and that is what I admired the most. ¶½He taught me many things but the most important one he taught was how to treat people. ¶½Whenever me and Matt had a beef with someone or something he always said take a step back and look at the situation. ¶½Terry was a great person with a great family and I am very thankful for having known him for such a long period of time. ¶½If you guys ever need anything at all you know you can always call me anytime and I will be there. ¶½I love you guys!!!!##imported-begin##Todd Barber##imported-end##

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“ My Uncle Terry was just an undescrivable person. You needed to meet him in order to get what I am talking about. Uncle Terry was Uncle Terry..... that's the only way i can think of saying it. I remember how he would say the things that would make me laugh like when i was in fourth grade and i had my first "girlfriend" Uncle Terry goes up to me in front of everybody and says: "So DJ, Tell me about this girl who is your firend" I WAS SO EMBARRASSED! but now i look back on it and laugh because thats who Uncle Terry was a person who made you laugh no matter what he was doing. I know my Uncle is up there somewhere and he's whatching over me and making sure i excell in everything i do. I miss you Uncle Terry.....##imported-begin##Donovan Joseph Torres##imported-end##

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“ We are so sorry for your loss. i½Terry was a wonderful person and touched so many lives. i½We all share in your sorrow. i½May God be with you all.##imported-begin##Jenny & Scott Goodpaster##imported-end##

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“ Dear Wendy, Ardis, Matt, John and the whole family. i½We are so sorry to hear about Terry, and want you to know that are thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.##imported-begin##Darrell & Connie Nell##imported-end##

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“ I'd like to extend my sincere condolences to Wendy, Matt, John, and the entire McCullough family.

I remember Terry always being the cool head among us coaches as well as the strategic thinker before game time. I also remember how Terry and Wendy always graciously offered their home for meetings and social gatherings for all to enjoy. Terry will be greatly missed by all who had the pleasure of knowing him.

Although I'm not in Kankakee much and I have not seen any of you for some time I do think of all of you.

May GOD bless and comfort all of you.##imported-begin##Larry McIntyre##imported-end##

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“ McCullough Family,

I wanted you to know that Terry touched my life in the past year. ĩ½Terry had one thing he was passionate about, LIFE! ĩ½What a great thing to say about a person. ĩ½Terry loved life and everyone at NCSA loved Terry. ĩ½

With Love,

Matt Haveman

NCSA Football ĩ½ĩ½##imported-begin##Matt Haveman##imported-end##

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“ Dear Wendy, Matt & John, I just want to say a few things about my dear friend, Terry. He was the kind of person who from the moment you met him, you loved him. I always felt comfort around him. He always had such a warm, friendly welcome. I will always cherish the fun loving nights at the McCullough's house. The minute I walked in the door, I knew I'd be there for a long time. Just visiting with you guys was so much fun. We would sit in your family room for hours and didn't want the night to end. With Terry, we could talk about anything from childhood days to baseball to growing old. I always told Terry I loved being with him because he was older than me, and usually I was one of the older ones in a group of people. I know he got a kick out of that! Also, the baseball traveling days were a blast, we all had so much fun! I'm sorry I had to miss his wake & funeral, but my mom & dad's 60th anniversary was celebrated last week in Florida, so all of us surprised them by going down there. I know Terry would be happy for me to go. He loved Florida. Wendy, I just want you, Matt & John to know how much I will miss such a wonderful human being. He loved life and gave it his best at all times. I love you guys dearly and please call if you ever need anything. I hope you know we're here for you. Todd called me when I was in Florida and told me you all gave absolutely beautiful eulogies at Terry's funeral. May God Bless and comfort you all at this time. You are in my thoughts & prayers everyday, Sincerely, Mary##imported-begin##Mary Barber##imported-end##

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“ How can I begin to express the loss I feel with Terry's sudden passing? Terry was not just my brother, he was my best friend. Terry was my senior by 10 years and was simply ALWAYS my hero. He was larger than life to me. I was always amazed at the presence he had in any room or group of people. People were naturally drawn to him. He always made himself available to friends and family for any need they might have. Terry was always a calm voice of reason in any situation. He would simply summarize the opinions of everyone else, state his own, and hopefully help everyone come to a joint decision. Terry was an "instrument" of change and improvement. He was never satisfied with the performance of himself or others. He knew that everyone can always do a little more. When someone complained to him about their lot in life, Terry would simply respond with "What are you doing to change it?" If someone said I can't do that, Terry would respond with "have you tried, or have you done you best?" Terry simply never gave up on anything or anyone and was ALWAYS a POSITIVE voice of encouragement. I am the man I am largely because of the impact Terry and my Father had on my life. Knowing he is able to look down on my 24/7 will make better. I simply don't want to let him down. I will deeply miss his counsel and friendship. I take comfort knowing he is in a better place, fishing with our Father again. While I regret he's no longer just a phone call away, I also take comfort knowing I can now simply look up and speak to him anytime I want. "I LOVE AND MISS YOU GUY!!"###imported-begin##Mike McCullough##imported-end##

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“ I don't even know what to say. I know I speak for myself and my brother when I say that we were blessed to live near the McCullough family. Terry was a great guy, and gave both myself, and my brother tons of guidance over the years. I will never forget the first time I dealt with him during a little league game where I was talking to a player on his bench while waiting to bat. He didn't like it too much, but a few days later he saw me playing catch and stopped to apologize. It has been since last halloween that I have seen any of the family, but I will never forget.##imported-begin##Seth Knupp##imported-end##

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“ Mrs. McCullough and the McCullough Family,
I wanted to send my condolences to you and your family. I did not know Terry personally but we had talked on the phone last week. We were due to meet in Dallas on Sunday. We were shocked to hear of his passing.
I can tell you that we hit it off right away on the phone and I immediately felt a connection to him. Having talked to some of his co-workers at NCSA they all said he was just that sort of man that everyone liked and looked up to. My parents once lived in Kankakee and I am a product of Rich East High School in Park Forest. Being a life long Cubs fan, I was looking forward to meeting your husband and swapping Chicagoland stories.
I have two teenage daughters and a younger son. Although our conversation was only twenty minutes long, I could hear in Terry's voice a true commitment to helping young kids in his current endeavor. It was that commitment and honesty in his voice that caused me to take notice and agree to meet with him here in Dallas. My wife's name is also Wendy. Terry managed to slip you into our conversation also. That same sense of commitment was in his voice when he mentioned your name.
I could feel something was wrong on Sunday when we met with the NCSA folks. I can tell you the staff here was very shook up over your husband's passing. He obviously touched the lives of hundreds of people in a positive way. We have chosen to participate in the NCSA program mainly because of your husband. Not because of his passing but because he seemed to genuinely care and believed in what he was doing. That is a rare trait in people these days. He made the comment that after he failed at retirement? he went to work for NCSA. Obviously, his life was full of successes and those are what people remember about a man. I am sure he was a great husband and father and will be missed by all who knew him.
Our heart felt condolences,
Paul, Wendy, Melanie, Emily and PJ Arden
Dallas,
Tx.##imported-begin##Paul Arden##imported-end##

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“ I always thought of Terry as a Dad. I hung out with his son John all the time when we were younger. I will always think of John as a brother and I will never forget all the good times we had. Terry was a wonderful man and was always smiling and laughing. I will never forget that about him and I know that his family will keep his smile going. I love all of you and I want you to know that I am always here along with my family. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Stacy Patti##imported-end##

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“ To all the family, we send our deepest sympathy and prayers at this time of your loss. ĩ¿½##imported-begin##Nick & Shirley Africano##imported-end##

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“ My condolences to the McCullough Family.##imported-begin##Erica Farman##imported-end##

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“ Mrs. McCollough and family:

I had the pleasure of working with Terry several times over the last year. In fact, he and I worked together on his first road trip to Cortland, NY a little over a year ago. I've met a lot of people in a lot of different contexts, locations, and cultures. I can think of no one I've met that was any more decent, caring, competent, friendly, grounded, and giving than Terry. I will miss him. I also know that if all of us had the choice to leave this life doing what we loved and living every day to its fullest, we would choose that exit. Even though Terry left us way too soon, he left on top and he left positively touching more lives than most of us ever will.

I know this is a tough time and life will never be the same. I hope it's a small comfort that Terry's memory will be firmly with me the rest of my days and I know he'll be in a lot of people's memories for a long time to come. I'm comforted by the knowledge that Terry is with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. God bless you.
With heartfelt condolences,

Keith & Aileen Babb

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“ Terry was a person who had the passion for baseball. We truly enjoyed being on the Little League Board with him. It is dedicated volunteers like him who has helped to make Limestone Little League one of the best around. He will be sadly missed.

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“ I just wanted to share some of my feelings about Terry. Wow, what a great man..... he was always such fun to be around. The stories we shared....the laughs we had the two of us "spooning" on airport chairs or eating at a scary diner in the middle-of- nowhere New Jersey at 4am! The topper....sharing an egg McMuffin with Ter at the Kansas City Airport as April 25th came at midnight, and I turned 30 years old..... Always a true professional.....always taking the extra time with families, and ALWAYS sharing his knowledge and experience. The way he always spoke about Wendy, his boys, his daughter-in-law and his new grandchild.....I loved listening to Terry talk to his sons on the phone..... i½ending EVERY call telling them, I love and miss you guy". This is such a loss, and I will miss him very much. He was an absolute one of a kind, and I will never forget him. As much as I learned from him professionally, I learned much more from him personally, and he will have a profound, lasting effect on my life. It was an honor and a privilege spending time with him. The world is a better place for having him in it, if only for 59 years.....far too little time, but time he spent well loved, working hard, doing things the right way. I love you Terry. Keep an eye on us up there :)###imported-begin##Carey Schueler##imported-end##

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