



### The Cardinal's Song

I know God must have sent my way  
*the Cardinal* that I saw today,  
that songbird with a crested head  
in the colorful, vibrant shade of red.

A sign from Heaven, could it be?  
A sign of hope to comfort me?

I felt a peace and such relief:  
God in His mercy had seen my grief.  
Perhaps the peace I felt was meant  
to prove this bird was Heaven sent;  
God truly wanted me to know  
that I could safely let you go.

So when I hear *the Cardinal's song*,  
I know you're home where you belong.

And even though we are apart,  
you'll live forever in my heart.



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In Loving Memory

## KEITH ELDON TERRY



**Keith Eldon Terry**, son of Donald and Wilma (Hockman) Terry, was born on February 8, 1943 on a farm near Jamison, Missouri. He entered into rest early Sunday, June 4, 2017 at his home in Essex, Iowa at the age of 74 years, 3 months, 23 days.

As a young man, Keith made his way to southwest Iowa and Shenandoah. At the age of 21, Keith enlisted in the United States Army beginning his service of our country on June 15, 1964. He was honorably discharged on June 14, 1967 as a Specialist 5<sup>th</sup> Class in the Armor Division.

The love of Keith's life was Julia Mae Vance, they were married for a number of years, before she was taken from this earthly world, far too early, in 1988. To this union two sons, Kevin and Lonney were born.

The second love of Keith's was automobiles. This was a passion that he passed on



to his son, Kevin and especially his grandson, Austin. Keith worked with Kevin Champ at Champ's Auto in Clarinda for over 25 years. After his health started declining, he was still very involved and instrumental in getting his grandson started in his own business, Austin's Automotive in Essex. For the last five plus years he was there daily to help out and troubleshoot any problems. He was a great influence, teaching Austin everything he knew about mechanics and was his biggest supporter.

Away from the shop, Keith loved to spend time with his grandchildren and great grandchildren. For many years the grandchildren would spend each weekend at grandpa's house building many unforgettable memories. His great granddaughter, Makenzi, was his "little sweetheart." He also loved to go on vacations with Kevin and Cheryl to visit Texas.

Preceding Keith in death were his wife, Julia; parents; two brothers; and one sister. Left to cherish his memory are his two sons, Kevin Terry and his wife Cheryl of Essex, and Lonney Terry and his wife Tracy of Red Oak, IA; five grandchildren, Austin Terry and wife Kayla of Shenandoah, Chessy Fahey and husband Jason of Clarinda, Chanda Landess of Clarinda, Christian Latham and Shayla of Clarinda and Dillon Terry of Red Oak; six great grandchildren, Cheyenne, Jersey, Makenzi, Raylan, Phoebe and Fynlee; other relatives and friends.

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### GRAVESIDE

### CELEBRATION OF LIFE

10:30 a.m.

Saturday, June 10, 2017

Rose Hill Cemetery

Shenandoah, Iowa

Wendy Osborn, Celebration Leader

### MUSICAL SELECTIONS

"A Mother's Prayer"

"Grandpa"

"My Old Man"

### URN BEARER

Austin Terry

### MILITARY HONORS

Shenandoah American Legion Post 88

### MEMORIALS

Keith Terry Memorial Fund

Following the graveside services, fellowship with the family will be held at Kev's Custom Paint & Detail, 828 W Thomas Ave, Shenandoah