



## Emil Anthony (Terry) Magel

April 17, 1945 - April 26, 2024

Frankfort – Funeral services for Emil Anthony (Terry) Magel, 79, will be held at Harrod Brothers Funeral Home, 312 Washington Street, Frankfort on Thursday, May 2, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. with The Very Reverend Mark Royster, Rector of St. Peter’s Anglican Church officiating. Burial will follow at Frankfort Cemetery. Visitation will be at Harrod Brothers Funeral Home from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. on Thursday.

Terry was born April 17, 1945, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania to George and Lucille Solomon Magel. He was a graduate of Duquesne University, earning a Bachelor’s Degree in English Education and a Master’s Degree in African Affairs. He also earned a Master’s Degree in Computer Science from Western Illinois University and a Ph.D. in African Languages and Literature from the University of Wisconsin at Madison where he was awarded a Fulbright-Hays Research Grant to support field research in West Africa for his Ph.D. dissertation.

During his career, he was an Associate Professor at Western Illinois University where he taught African Literature and Swahili. In 1989, he moved to Frankfort, KY to accept the position of Chair of the Computer Science Department at Kentucky State University (KSU). During his tenure at KSU, he also served as Dean of Professional Studies, Interim Vice President of Academic Affairs and Director of Distance and Continuing Education.

Terry was active in the Frankfort community, serving on the Board of the Frankfort Independent School System, on the Board of Directors and

President of the Emergency Community Food Pantry, on the Board of Directors of the United Way of Franklin County, as a volunteer with the Salvation Army and the Capital City Activity Center, Meals on Wheels Program.

Terry was preceded in death by his parents, George and Lucille Solomon Magel, and is survived by his wife, Sandra Parker Magel, his daughter, Laura de la Torre, his granddaughter, Gabrielle Chapman, his grandson, Cameron Chapman, his stepson, John Brandon Parker (Angie), his step-granddaughter, Kaitlyn M. Parker, and his brother, Dr. Donald G. Magel (Rose).

Serving as pallbearers will be family and friends.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Emergency Community Food Pantry of Franklin County, P.O. Box 48, Frankfort, KY 40602, or St. Peter's Anglican Church, 121 East Todd Street, Frankfort, KY 40601.

Arrangements are under the direction of Harrod Brothers Funeral Home & Crematory.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAY 2.** 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Harrod Brothers Funeral Home  
312 Washington Street  
Frankfort, KY 40601  
(502) 227-4526  
hbfh@harrodbrothers.com  
<https://www.harrodbrothers.com>

## Funeral Service

**MAY 2.** 1:00 PM (ET)

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