

## *Jerome 'Jerry' Tarrien*

November 5, 1951 - September 23, 2014

Jerome "Jerry" Tarrien was born in Detroit on November 5, 1951 to Eugene and Ellen (nee-Bell). One of seven children, Jerry graduated Berkley High School and then went on to Ferris State University where he earned a Bachelor's degree in the Engineering program. At Ferris State Jerry met the love of his life, Susan Warring with whom he would enjoy 41 years of marriage. Together they settled in the Waterford area and raised two daughters. In 2013 Jerry was diagnosed with esophageal cancer and after a courageous fight, he lost his battle and died peacefully at home with his family surrounding him on Tuesday, September 23, 2014.

After college, on a whim, Jerry stopped by the WXYZ Channel 7 studios to see if there were any jobs. Thirty-five years later, Jerry was the chief videographer. Full of amazing stories, having met the famous and the infamous, he would tell stories of funny times, sad times and scary times (bullets flying).

Jerry is survived by his wife Susan, daughters; Michele Formanczyk (Andrew) and Kelly Tarrien. Also his beloved two year old grandson, Ryan, siblings; Joan Curry, Robert, Gina Brimmel, Jackie Hughs, Greg, Lori Bellanger-Marinelli. He was preceded in death by both of his parents.

Visitation will be Thursday from 4:00 until 8:00pm and Friday 2:00 until 8:00pm A.J. Desmond & Sons (Vasu, Rodgers & Connell Chapel), 32515 Woodward (btwn 13-14 Mile), Royal Oak.

Funeral Mass Saturday, 10:00am at St.. Mary's Catholic Church, 730 S. Lafayette Ave., Royal Oak. Visitation at St. Mary's begins at 10:00am.

Memorial tributes to the American Cancer Society.

[John and Sharon Dunlap](#)

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We are so sorry for your loss. Our daughter Kym attended Mercy High School with Michelle. Last evening, we shared great memories. Dinner with Jerry and Michelle

prior to the Father Daughter dances. Also, recall the limo ride to your home for Michelle. Please know you all are in our thoughts and prayers.

[Richard Miller](#)

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Jerry

We met on the streets many years ago doing stories for competing stations and you were always gracious and willing to lend a hand.. I still remember this past spring in Atlanta working the Final Four, rushing around to get the shot done but time to say hi and shoot the breeze. You were awesome photographer, truck guy and just a great man in the business.. God be with you..

## Funeral Home

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### **A.J. Desmond & Sons (Vasu, Rodgers & Connell Chapel)**

32515 Woodward Ave (btwn 13-14 Mile)  
Royal Oak, MI US

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## Visitation

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### **A.J. Desmond & Sons (Vasu, Rodgers & Connell Chapel)**

32515 Woodward Ave.  
Royal Oak, MI US 48073

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 **Thursday, September 25, 2014**  
4:00 PM - 8:00 PM

 **Friday, September 26, 2014**  
2:00 PM - 8:00 PM

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## Funeral Mass

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### **St. Mary Church**

730 S. Lafayette @ Lincoln  
Royal Oak, MI US 48067

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 **Friday, September 26, 2014**  
10:00 AM

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 Visitation at Church begins at  
9:30am

## Cemetery

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### **Roseland Park Cemetery**

29001 Woodward Ave. at 12 Mile  
Berkley, MI US 48072

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 **Saturday, September 27, 2014**

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