



## Derek Cooper

December 29, 1972 - September 13, 2016

Derek U. Cooper, age 43, went to be with the Lord peacefully on September 13, 2016, surrounded by his loving family and friends. He was a valiant fighter all the way to end of his cancer. He was born on December 29, 1972 in Toledo, Oh to Henry R. and Rosemary (Urbina) Cooper.

Derek graduated from Libbey High School and attended Owens Community College. He worked for HCR Manor Care as a cash posting specialist. Derek enjoyed playing his guitar and aspired to be a "hillbilly rock star". He was an active member of Gateway Baptist church and played in the Praise band. He loved the bible and would share the word of God with all who would listen.

Derek will be missed for his laughter and sense of humor, along with his kind, generous and helping presence.

He is survived by his son Collen Ray Cooper; Terri, his loving dear friend and caretaker; brother Ronald (Corina) Cooper; sisters Lilus Cooper and Tiffany (Frances) Dye; and father Henry Cooper. Derek was preceded in death by his mother, Rosemary and grandparents Eligio and Mary Urbina.

Friends may visit at the Coyle Funeral Home, 1770 S. Reynolds Rd. on Monday, September 19 from 2-8 p.m. The funeral ceremony will be held at Coyle on Tuesday, September 20 at 10 a.m. Burial will be at Calvary Cemetery. Memorial donations may be given to Derek's son, Collen Cooper. Please leave a condolence message and view Derek's video tribute at [CoyleFuneralHome.com](http://CoyleFuneralHome.com).



# Cemetery Details

## Calvary Cemetery

2224 Dorr St.  
Toledo, OH 43607

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **19**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Coyle Funeral Home  
1770 S. Reynolds Road  
Toledo, OH 43614

## Funeral

SEP **20**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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1770 S. Reynolds Road  
Toledo, OH 43614

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Derek was and will always be my best friend! I love him dearly! I always loved D! I miss him so much. Last six months we shared a lot of laughs together. We also shared heartache due to his cancer. He will always remain in my heart! D was a great father! Our son, Collen is a blessed young man to have a father of great faith in our lord!* ”

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**Terri** - September 25, 2016 at 12:11 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Derek Cooper.* ”



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September 19, 2016 at 08:55 AM

LA

“ Derek will be missed terribly at Gateway Baptist Church; especially by me. Derek & I had a brother/sister relationship as we were always bantering back & forth together. He loved OSU and I love U of M. We were always talking smack about our teams. Anything we could differ on we would & had a great time doing it. Derek played guitar in our Disciples in Sackcloth (D.I.S.) Men's Praise Band. One of the D.I.S. men who sang was planning on moving out of state. I tried to convince Derek to take his place on the microphone. I would tell him he would have to audition for the part to see if we wanted him singing. LOL Derek wanted nothing to do with that soooo you know I had to push it. Every Sunday & every song until the gentlemen moved, I was telling Derek to take the microphone. I would even joke around that I had a microphone & secretly hold it up while he was sitting in front of me at church. We had the best time joking around with each other. I will miss that so much! Derek you know I have to say this: GO BLUE!! Miss you my brother in Christ. I'm so glad you are no longer in pain & sitting with Jesus now. Laurie Smith

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Laurie - September 19, 2016 at 08:21 AM

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“ Nicole VanDenk lit a candle in memory of Derek Cooper



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Nicole VanDenk - September 18, 2016 at 09:44 PM

JF

“ God recieved another angel today I'm so sorry for the loss of your loved one derek cooper you will be missed I remember your laugh your great sence of humor and any time we had a family get together you was always the life of the party you could make any one laugh and to collen ray you had a awesome dad I'm so so sorry for your loss honey I'm always here if you need me .god bless to all of you we love you aunt janice & uncle ron

Janice fallon - September 18, 2016 at 11:45 AM

JF

“ Janice Fallon lit a candle in memory of Derek Cooper



Janice fallon - September 18, 2016 at 11:37 AM

KS

“ Kimberly Szczublewski lit a candle in memory of Derek Cooper



Kimberly szczublewski - September 17, 2016 at 11:05 PM

AD

“ Angela (Connerton) Dotson lit a candle in memory of Derek Cooper



Angela (Connerton) Dotson - September 17, 2016 at 12:11 PM

 Aaron  
Wozniak

“ I had the pleasure of hiring Derek at Great Lakes Crédit Union. He was such a genuine, nice person and I very much enjoyed working with him. I am extremely saddened to hear of his passing. Condolences to his family.

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**Aaron Wozniak** - September 16, 2016 at 11:43 PM



“ Full Heart was purchased for the family of Derek Cooper.



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September 16, 2016 at 09:55 PM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Derek Cooper.



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September 16, 2016 at 04:47 PM



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**Toni Martinez** - September 16, 2016 at 12:21 PM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**Toni Martinez** - September 16, 2016 at 09:02 AM