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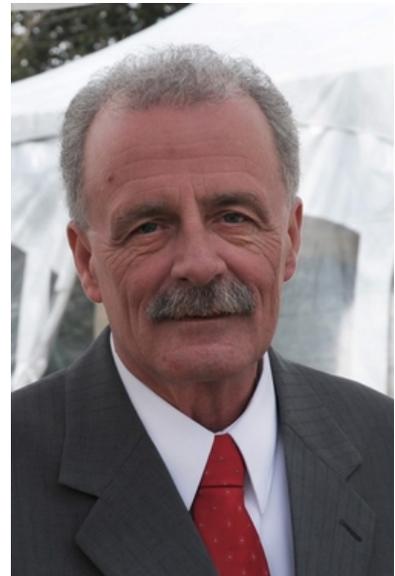


## Death of a Member

**Dear Jane,**

On April 8, 2009, we lost a member of Citizens United; Don Termin. His wife Tricia Dufford, who many of our members know very well for her playful and outgoing nature, survives Don. I can only speak for how I knew of Don.

Don was a quiet and considerate person. When I would visit with Tricia socially or for the Jost Scholarship program, he would always inquire how CU, my family, and I were doing. He would offer a cup of something hot to drink and then he would be off on some handy project, or resting for a shift at work. In that silence I never knew how very courageous he was, until we were entrenched in one of our more contentious protection disputes. It seemed that the opposition selected to focus their energies on lambasting me rather than debating the more salient points. You might expect a very outspoken member to come out in my defense or to be catapulted into action. Some surely were, but the person who took the time to write a very articulate and thoughtful letter to the editor was in fact Don. After that, I saw his silence in a much different way... he simply chose his words more sparingly and more carefully than most, and for that I am forever grateful.



He was very gifted in music. I had the pleasure of hearing him play a few tunes on his guitar and can assure you, many folks will miss those sweet sounds.

Thanks Don, I shall miss you and your kind spirit.

Obituary  
Donald E. Termin, 59  
Retired corrections officer

Donald E. "Don" Termin, 59, of Newport, died Wednesday, April 8, 2009, at the South Jersey Healthcare Regional Medical Center after a brief illness.

Mr. Termin was born in Philipsburg, Pa. He was a retired corrections officer with a rank of sergeant, working at Bayside State Prison in Leesburg. He attended Newport Methodist Church. Mr. Termin served in the N.J. National Guard. Don was a talented musician, playing the violin and guitar, and was a very gifted songwriter. Don was a strong supporter of the downtown Millville Arts district and Cumberland County art projects. He was a member of the Audubon Society and enjoyed bird watching and kayaking.

He is survived by his wife Tricia Dufford; stepdaughter Shannon DuVilla and her husband Chris of Newark, Delaware; three sisters, Grace, Carole and Janet; and three beloved granddaughters, Adison, Alyssa and Emerson.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday in the Rocap Shannon Memorial Funeral Home, where friends will be received from 9 to 11 a.m. in the funeral home. Burial will follow in Newport Baptist Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the Newport Rescue Squad, Newport Hall, Newport, NJ 08345.

Jane Morton Galetto  
President

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