



Teresa Lynn Davis

May 26, 1963 - February 15, 2023

Teresa L. Davis was born in May of 1963, and spent most of her childhood in Johnson City, Tennessee. She spent her high school years in the Midwest, and

her college years in St. Louis, Missouri, receiving her Bachelor's and Master's Degrees in Piano Performance from the St. Louis Conservatory of Music. She then attended the Law School at St. Louis University where she received her law degree, and was admitted to the bar in Missouri.

In 1993, Teresa joined the Air Force, where she served six years as an active duty United States Air Force Judge Advocate, stationed primarily in Japan, and then transferring to Washington, DC. After her Active Duty service, she remained in the Air Force as a reservist until 2013. When she retired from the Air Force, she was at the rank of Major.

She was ultimately admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court, the United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces, and the Missouri Supreme Court.

After the Air Force, Teresa served as the Acting Assistant Director of the FOIA/Privacy Act Unit for the Department of Justice Executive Office for United States Attorneys, FOIA/Privacy Act Unit. She supervised six attorneys and more than twenty paralegals and staff assistants. She also created, directed, and appeared in monthly training videos broadcast through the Department of Justice National Advocacy Center, where she frequently taught courses on FOIA, the Privacy Act, and records retention.

In June 2003, Teresa and her Spouse moved to Charlotte, NC, where Teresa joined TSA as a Field Attorney for Charlotte, North Carolina and South Carolina. She also covered a temporary assignment in Atlanta between 2017 and 2019 as a Supervisory Field Attorney for Georgia and South Carolina. Since 2019, Teresa served as Ethics Counsel to the Transportation Security Administration, providing ethics guidance and advice across the agency. Teresa had always been very active in the Charlotte Community since her arrival in 2003. She worked on several committees and non-profit Boards, including that of the Charlotte LGBT Center and the Carolinas LGBT+ Chamber of Commerce, where she served as President. And in 2009, with the help of her Spouse and friends, she founded Charlotte's Reel Out Annual Film Festival, which is now going into its 24th year.

Teresa passed away peacefully on February 15, 2023, after a long illness.

She

is survived by her Spouse of nearly 24 years, Victoria, and her brother Michael Davis, of Atlanta, Georgia.

Cemetery Details

Cavin-Cook FH & Crematory

494 E. Plaza Drive
Mooresville, NC 28115

Tribute Wall

CJ

“ I was so saddened to learn of Teresa's passing. I was one of her piano students when she lived in St. Louis and we became good friends. Although we lost touch after she moved to North Carolina, I thought of her every time I sat down to play the piano. She was a very talented musician, a great teacher and a simply wonderful person. She will be missed by all who knew her.

Carol Jackson, St. Louis MO

Carol Jackson - June 18, 2023 at 12:55 PM

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Teresa spoke of you often. Thank you so much for your thoughtful remembrance!

Victoria Eves - January 23, 2025 at 06:17 PM

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“ I was lucky to work with Teresa when I was stationed in Okinawa. She was a terrific leader and mentor, and I will always remember her wonderful spirit. Teresa touched the lives of everyone at the 18th Wing Legal Office and we're all better off for having known her. My heart and prayers go out to her family and loved ones.

Peter Camp - March 07, 2023 at 01:17 PM

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“ To The Davis Family,

I had the pleasure of being in Teresa's company often during her time working with the TSA CLT team. Teresa was smart, talented, kind and funny especially once she got on a roll as I am sure you already know, and I am grateful to have known such an awesome person. Teresa, thank you for sharing you with us. Not to be forgotten.

Leticia Perez - February 17, 2023 at 06:57 PM