



# Steiner Family Newsletter



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## The Broken Chain



*"We little knew that morning that God was going to call your name.*

*In life we loved you dearly, in death we do the same.  
It broke our hearts to lose you, you did not go alone;  
for part of us went with you, the day God called you home.  
You left us peaceful memories, your love is still our guide,  
and though we cannot see you, you are always at our side.*

*Our family chain is broken and nothing seems the same,  
But as God calls us one by one the chain will link again."*



Joseph Arthur Steiner  
7/10/1933 – 9/25/2007

Wayman "Bud" Troxel  
9/24/1925 – 10/2/2007

It was a special weekend at the Steiner household. Nan was preparing for a birthday party on Sunday. Dana, had turned "50" on the previous Thursday and they were to gather for a family celebration that weekend. Joe Steiner was at home on Saturday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>. He got up to answer the door and tripped and fell. So off to the hospital they went. After running tests, they determined that he had fractured his hip. The next day, Sunday, the surgeon operated and repaired the fracture. All seemed well on Monday morning. The doctors had come in that morning and told Joe that he could go home after he was able to get up and walk on his own. Nan thought it best for him to stay an additional day so that she could prepare the house for him. During the afternoon, Joe was very lethargic and it appeared maybe just wam out. The family questioned the nurses as they would check on him and no one seemed alarmed. So the family decided to let him rest and went to the cafeteria for a bite to eat. During that time, something terrible happened. Joe stopped breathing and in an instant he was critical. The hospital went into life saving mode. Once they got him breathing again, they moved Joe up to intensive care. As the family was being lead into see him, there was once again a crisis and a quick decision had to be made to save his life. They got him stabilized and the stunned family is finally able to see him. What has happened is still a mystery. He lingered in this state for the next 24 hours. During that time, he was aware that Nan, Dana, Tom, John and their families were there with him.

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In September 2005, the Troxel family planned a surprise "80" birthday party for Bud at the American Legion and many of us attended this wonderful party.

Two years later his family helped him celebrate his "82" birthday at St. Elizabeth Hospital. The past two years have been filled with many wonderful memories, but also with several hospital stays and medical treatments. Bud has been battling lung cancer. While going through chemotherapy treatments, he also developed some heart issues and diabetes. All of this had taken a toll on his weakened condition and he recently developed pneumonia. He was admitted to St. Elizabeth Hospital in early September. Joann and his children were by his side helping him make each day count. When Bud enter the hospital last month, the family knew that he probably wouldn't be going back home due to his worsening condition.

Bud lost his battle with cancer on Tuesday evening, October 2, 2007 after developing a staph infection. The entire Troxel family was by his side during the final hours.

Bud Troxel was surrounded by a very loving family. After this family suffered the loss of Katherine in 1989, Bud was blessed to find another love. He and Joann Poole were married in 1996. They enjoy 11 years together along with their families.

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## October Birthdays

Amber Holt (27)	10/1
Jessica Kemery (32)	10/3
Joshua Timmons (14)	10/3
Angela Troxel O'Brien (28)	10/4
Tara Briscoe Parker (35)	10/5
Allison Lancaster (22)	10/11
Raynaldo Gallegos (??)	10/16
Madison Moffatt (2)	10/17
Ricky Kemery (25)	10/24
Matthew Briscoe (7)	10/25
Corey Redinbo (19)	10/30
Aimee Steiner (22)	10/31

## October Wedding Anniversaries

Kim and Mark Weaver  
10/4/2004 – 3 years

Adrian and Irene Hawk  
10/5/1952

Mark and Renee Troxel  
10/9/1993 – 14 years

Mike and Lora Steiner  
10/11/2003 – 4 years

Jim and Selma Moore  
10/20/1945

Matt and Debbie Steiner  
10/22/1983 – 24 years



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About 8:00pm on Tuesday evening, September 25<sup>th</sup>, the family was told there was nothing else they could do to bring him back. Everything that could be done had been done and only the machines were keeping him alive. Nan and Joe had talk about this decision and she knew what he wanted. Joe Steiner died at 10:25pm on Tuesday, September 25, 2007.

Our hearts, thoughts, and prayers go out to Nan, Dana, Tom, John, and their families. There are really no words that can be spoken to soften the sorrow or lessen the loss that is felt from losing someone close to you. At the passing of a loved one, those of us that are left behind feel a profound sense of sadness, emptiness, and grief. Pangs of deep loneliness set in as we survivors envision a future without the deceased. After the first stabbing anguish of grief has been softened by time, may you find great comfort in knowing that Joe is safe and free from all tears, pain, trials, and troubles ... for now he is where nothing can ever hurt him again.

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just enjoyed being together as a family. That was very evident by the all the photos that were displayed at the funeral home.

It is so difficult to realize that this husband, father, grandfather, brother, and uncle will no longer be present physically to share conversations, walks, hugs, or ideas with us. It is such a great loss because it involves losing a piece of yourself ... a part of what was a very important part of your life. Everyone and everything that we love becomes a part of us.

But it's important to realize that departed loved ones will always be with us. They live on in our hearts, in memories of their teachings, and in the lives of all who know them. They are very close to us in spirit, having only gone beyond the sound of our voices and the touch of our hands. While death brings sadness, we should also try to have a sense of joy for the loved one who enters into a "new home."

# More News.....

## Special Memorial for Joe Steiner

In honoring Joe Steiner's request, his family didn't have the usual funeral services for him. So to honor Joe Steiner, we thought it would be great to purchase a memorial brick for him at the American Legion Post 11 in Lafayette and Nan and the entire family are very pleased that we are doing this. The American Legion has a memorial wall and bricks can be purchased to honor veterans of any war. Uncle Joe was a veteran of the Korean War.

I have received several donations to this special memorial for Uncle Joe. If you are interested in making a contribution, please send your donation to me at the address below. When I place the order, I will prepare a special certificate for the family and list the names of family who have made a donation. I will take donations until November 1<sup>st</sup>. I hope you will send a donation to help honor Uncle Joe and his family.

Send donations to:

Pam Mow  
90 Moon Valley Court  
Lafayette, IN 47909

*If you have a questions, please feel free to call me at 7650430-4141 or email me at mowp@purdue.edu*



Examples of the memorial brick



### American Legion Post 11 Memorial Wall

Our family has several memorial bricks on this wall and several more our planned. See the names below.

#### Current Bricks

Thomas Steiner  
Wayman "Bud" Troxel  
Anthony "Tony" Troxel  
David Troxel  
Ronald Rhymer  
Cody Putman

#### Future Bricks

Jimmie Moore  
Henry Wagner  
John Steiner  
Joe Steiner  
Adrian Hawk

If you are interested in having a brick for one of your family members who is a veteran, please contact me and I will get you the information you need. It would be nice to have as many of the Steiner family on the wall as possible.

### Addresses and Emails

***I'm still in need of addresses and emails of family members. If you know of someone who would like to receive the Steiner Newsletter and isn't, please forward me their information so that I can add them to the mailing list.***

***If anyone needs a current Steiner address list, please let me know and I would be happy to send it to you.***

## UPDATE ON PVT BRISCOE

Dustin Briscoe has started basic training with the U.S. Army at Fort Knox, KY. He is into week three and doing well. He is scheduled to graduate on November 30 and begin AIT training immediately. He will be home from Dec 19 through Jan 3 for a holiday break and then back to Ft. Knox to finish his AIT. No work yet on where Dustin will be stationed. I have included his updated address to the right



### UPDATED ADDRESS

PVT Briscoe, Dustin  
1<sup>st</sup> PLT, F Troop  
515 CAV  
Fort Knox, KY 40121

## THOUGHTS AND PRAYER CORNER

Randi Hawk LAWSON (currently on a daily regimen of chemotherapy for Multiple Myeloma)  
Jim "Booper" Moore (currently being treated for diabetes)  
Henry Wagner (currently being treated for cancer & heart condition)  
Sandy Troxel Rhymer (just finishing chemotherapy treatments for lymphoma)

Several of our family have been treated for cancer during the past few years and are in remission or complete recovery stages. They are:

Steve Steiner, Arlene Steiner, Linda Keegan, and Nan Steiner. We are so pleased that they are doing well. Keep all of our family in your thoughts and prayers.

## *Holiday Messages for our Newsletter*

I know that we don't yet want to start thinking about the holidays, but it is October. I thought it might be really nice to use our December issue to share a holiday message with our Steiner family. So as you plan during for the upcoming holiday season, send some cheer my way and we will share it everyone in the family. (See my example to the right). Send me a picture in the mail or via email and the December newsletter will be full of holiday wishes. I look forward to hearing from EVERYONE!!



**Happy Holidays from our little Christmas Elves!**

## *Blasts from the Past*

