



## Sgt. Curtis D. Hoover

October 9, 1987 - April 29, 2012

SGT Curtis D. Hoover, age 24, died suddenly on Sunday, April 29, 2012 in Clarksville, Tennessee. He was born on October 9, 1987 in Fort Huachuca, Arizona the son of SFC Stephen Hoover & Sheryl Dennison. Curtis moved to Albion, Indiana and attended Central Noble Middle School and later moved to Wisconsin and graduated from Kickapoo High School in 2006.

Curtis Served in the U.S. Navy Reserve as a Seabee and then joined the U.S. Army on April 1, 2008. He served as a sniper in the 101st Airborne Division 2/327INF, "NO SLACK". Curtis was an ambitious, smart and creative soldier who above all loved his family and his country. Among his accomplishments too numerous to mention was a 2130 meter shot made while deployed to Afghanistan. It was the longest shot made that Deployment and the 3rd longest shot in the history of the Afghanistan war. Curtis had his roots in Indiana but quickly adopted the Kickapoo Valley as his home after moving in 2001. He is loved by all and will be missed.

Survivors include his father SFC Stephen (1SG Stacy) Hoover of Hillsboro, WI; mother Sheryl Dennison of Auburn, Indiana; 2 brothers SGT Corey Hoover & SGT Dustin Hoover both of Hillsboro, WI; fiancée Lacey Falk of Richland Center; grandparents Donald & Sue Hoover of Rome City, Indiana; grandparents Gerald Beshore of Costa Rica; Barbara Dubois of Los Angeles, California; and the soldiers of the 2/327th INF "No Slack."

Funeral Services will be held on Sunday, May 6, 2012 at 11:00 AM at the Clary Memorial Funeral Home in Richland Center. Burial will be held in the Ash Ridge Cemetery with full military honors. Visitation will be held on Saturday May, 5, 2012 from 2:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the Clary Memorial Funeral home and also on Sunday from 10:00 AM until the time of services. On line condolences, life stories & pictures can be made at [www.clarymemorialfuneralhome.com](http://www.clarymemorialfuneralhome.com)

# Tribute Wall

DF

“ *still miss ya son*

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**dad - viola, WI - father** - May 02, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ *love and miss you sonf8cJs*

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**steve hoover** - May 02, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ *RIP Hero Curtis Hoover! You will always be remembered and you are loved always. Earth's loss, Heavens Gain!*  
*With love,*  
*Kenna*

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**Kenna Larson - Manti, UT - Fan** - November 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ *The world is a darker and lesser place with the loss of one of the best MEN I have ever met and had the pleasure of serving next to! To the Hoover family, I thank you for giving me the chance to meet and befriend Curt. My condolences to you all.*

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**Sam Hudson - Clarksville, TN - Friend/Brother** - July 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ I am a Blue Star Mom... Moose is in Fort Carson... I am from Menomonie WI, the loss of your youngman is a ripple in a huge family of hearts and faith and honor.. my heart just is so sad for you all.. please if you have time and need to reach out to us Blue Stars here in Wisconsin we are here for each other and love Our Gold Star Families so much.. anything we can do to help.. you scream this way and we hear you.. love prayers and Faith Ardith Ann Richter Blue Star Milwaukee WI

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**Ardith Richter - Milwaukee, WI - Blue Star Mom Army Strong - May 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM**

FD

“ I wish Curtis and I had more time but distance was a challenge. We talked to each other via FACEBOOK. He is a loss to family and country. Very few in the world stepped up like he did and the world will weep for the loss of a great soldier and man he was. He won't be forgotten. God bless him.

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**Fred M Du Bois - Tujunga, CA - step father to Sheryl Dennison - May 11, 2012 at 12:00 AM**

NW

“ Our thoughts and prayers are, and will be, with you and your family.

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**Nichole & Derrick Dawson - LaCrosse, WI - May 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM**

GB

“ Steve, Sheryl, Corey, Dustin, Don and Sue:  
Please accept my deepest sympathy on the tragic death of Curtis. I have many happy memories of Curtis from Albion Little League and Cub Scouts. I pray that our Heavenly Father will grant you comfort as you grieve Curtis, and I hope you will find comfort through the knowledge that Curtis and your family are being remembered by your many friends.

George Bennett  
Albion, Indiana

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George Bennett - May 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ Curtie, what am I gonna do now??? I am left with a Flag in a box and a big hole in my heart. I am filled with such grief and regret. I didn't get enough time with you, we didn't get to hang out this summer like we planned. I will try to lessen my sorrow with my love for you and remember the memories we shared. You are an inspiration for all and my hero. I love you Son. Sleep well.

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MOM - Auburn, IN - mother - May 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ Thoughts and prayers for your family... I cannot believe it has been almost 6 years since I have seen you guys. Dustin-I am so sorry for you and your family's loss...You and Curt's friendship my sophomore and junior years meant more to me than you could know. Sorry for my tardiness-I am not on FB-and just heard yesterday...

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Tamika Anderson - Richland Center, WI - May 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ *May your light remain with your loved ones forever and be an inspiration for many. May you rest in peace in the presence of our God and know you are well loved and remembered.*

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**Dianne Mercado Gubatan - Los Angeles, CA - Mother's Cousin** - May 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BI

“ *Steve and Family, I'm so sorry to hear about Curtis. I remember when he was at Grandma & Grandpa Hoover house in Albion. Curtis would play in our back yard on the "Eagle Nest". He was such a happy boy and he could make anyone laugh. Our thoughts and prays are with you and the family. May God watch over you all.*

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**Brad & Jennie Rollins - Albion, IN** - May 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ *You were such a fun person to be around, it's been years but I always had fun when we used to sneak out in the middle of the night by the laundromat in Viola and walk around town past curfew, when you guys turned a stop sign around haha, we were all troublemakers! Riding in your big truck listening to ICP. Needless to say, when you were around there were always fun times to be had! You were a great friend back in school and your family is in my prayers. You'll be missed Curtis.*

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**Casey Brown - La Crosse, WI** - May 07, 2012 at 12:00 AM

EI

“ *Sheryl, I just wanted to extend my deepest sympathies to you and your family during this time. My thoughts and parayers are being lifted up daily.*

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**Eunice - decatur, IN** - May 07, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ Steve:

*I'm not sure how this occurred and I dint hear about it, but unfortunetely that is what happened. I JUST found out today. I apologize for not being there for you! Julaine and I certainly would have been had I known. Very sorry to hear that horrific news! I know how proud you are of all your sons. God Bless !*

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**Don and Julaine Hartshorn - Tomah, WI - Friend/1-338th Comrad - May 07, 2012 at 12:00 AM**

CW

“ *We have all lost an amazing young man who could make anyone smile, and laugh. An amazing brother, son, friend, and soldier. Curtis you were taken from us way to soon, but to be able to be part of your life while you were here was priceless. thank you for memories Curtis, you will be loved and missed. RIP*

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**Christine - WI - May 07, 2012 at 12:00 AM**

DF

“ *Steve and Stacy,*  
*Even as a father of a service member serving overseas I cannot begin to fully know how deep the hurt must be. You always spoke of Curtis with the upmost of pride and respect, I know you loved him so much. I have been praying for your family and will continue to do so.*

*Danny*

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**Danny Hanson - Brookfield , WI - Friend - May 07, 2012 at 12:00 AM**

KC

“ *Wish we could have spent more time together. Are thoughts are always with the family*

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**Ken Gaff - Fort Wayne, IN - Cousin - May 07, 2012 at 12:00 AM**

BA

“ *There simply aren't words.... please know you are thought of and prayed for.*

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**Bobby Johnson - New Richmond , WI - acquaintance - May 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM**

DJ

“ *First of all, I am so sorry for your loss. I have prayed for your family with others from New Richmond, WI. I also want to thank you for Curtis' service to our country. May God draw you in at such a time as this.*

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**Doris Thaemert - New Richmond, WI - friend of Jo - May 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM**

JU

“ *steve and stacy, dustin and corey our thoughts are with you today..so so sorry of the bad news of curtis. the boys always wanted to pull my fingers*

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**jerry ackerman - prestonsburg , KY - uncle - May 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM**

KS

“ *Steve, I'm deeply sorry to hear of the loss of your son. My thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family. Unfortunately I won't be able to make the wake or funeral, but if you need anything or just want to talk, you know where to find me. May the Lord be with you during this sad time in your life.*

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**Kevin Parlow - Tomah, WI - Friend and co-worker of Steve's - May 05, 2012 at 12:00 AM**

NR

“ Words can never express how much my heart goes out to you all.  
My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Nancy Rogers - Woodville, TX - Mother of SSG Joshua Rogers - May 05, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ Rest in peace Curtis.

Bob Cumming - Auburn, IN - Work colleague & friend of mother - May 05, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Curt,  
You will be deeply missed. I will never forget about all the times back in high school. There was never a dull moment, no matter what we were doing. You could always make it interesting whether it was sitting around with a couple of friends while you told your in depth story. Or just taken a cruise up to Richland Center for something to do. You were the type of person I knew I could call day and night and no matter what time it was, you were always ready to go. You've never been the one to complain or talk bad about anything or anyone. You are the type of person I would want my son to be. You may not have lived as long as you should have but you left one hell of an impression on everyone you've met that will not be forgotten. You will be in my thoughts and prayers.  
See you soon little buddy.  
Nevsimal

Josh Nevsimal - La Crosse, WI - Friend - May 05, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ Thoughts and prayers are with your familyX

Corey and Jessica Immel - Auburn, IN - Friend - May 05, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ We are very sorry to hear about Curtis. You're in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Craig, Janet, Alex & Kaylie Hart - Wolcottville, IN - cousin** - May 05, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ We're so sorry to hear about Curtis. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

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**Craig, Janet, Alex & Kaylie Hart - Wolcottville, IN - cousin** - May 05, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ My deepest sympathy to all family and friends.  
Curtis will live on forever in the hearts and memories  
of all those he has touched.

*Godspeed Curtis*

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**Stig Meyer - Onalaska, WI** - May 05, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ Words could never say what I feel. I have come to grip, that I have lost my brother. To say that any one who calls you a friend, lost a friend. To say that a nation morns, the nation does not know the meaning of morning. Curt you were by far the greatest friend anyone could have fatham to know. Curt you were the greatest soldier a MAN could ever strive to become. Most importantly, Curt my brother, you were the greatest SNIPER this country could imagine and the greatest ANGEL GOD will ever recieve.

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**Kyle and Kate johnson - Friend, Brother** - May 05, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ *To the family and friends of Curtis Hoover, our deepest sympathy. We are proud of his achievements and courage.*  
*Metal Technologies Auburn Casting Center*

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**Corey Immel - Auburn, IN - friend of mother** - May 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ *curtis u will be missed. u were a good friend.*

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**mindy kidwell - viola, WI - a friend from school** - May 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ *I wanted to express my deepest sympathy to Steve and the Hoover family. I have so much respect and appreciation for Curtis and his family's service to our country. Thank You. Rest in peace Curtis.*

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**Michael Ackerman - Prestonsburg, KY - cousin** - May 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BE

“ A few things stand out in our memories of a lot of time with Curtis, and Dustin, too. Meeting the new neighbor ,Steve and his 3 boys in the summer of 2002. Watching the boys grow into their high school years. Their humble nature, and appreciation for simple favors. A favorite...they shared several rabbits with us that they shot during hunting season, saying they didn't know how to cook them. So we all shared a simple rabbit pot pie. They declared it the best meal ever! Curtis always did his best while working for us, but he had fun, too. He wanted to help us and others. The day after the Viola tornado, he drove a tractor and dump wagon the 7 miles to Viola to help with the clean-up and was dissapointed to be turned away. We found another way into town and he worked hard helping those that needed help.

It's hard to believe he is gone. He was doing what he wanted with his life. To Steve, Stacy, his mom and brothers,and grandparents, you are in our thoughts and prayers. We just are not meant to understand why these things happen, and it hurts. You have our deepest sympathy.

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**Brad and Ginger McCauley - Viola, WI - neighbor, former employer - May 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM**

JA

“ Sgt. Curtis D. Hoover- Thank You for the service to your country. You will be missed by many loved ones. I give my dearest simathy to the family. He will be greatly missed.

Jeff Joseph SFC retired US. Army

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**Jeff Joseph - Neighbor & Brother in Arms. - May 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM**

SM

“ May his light keep shining now that his soul is at rest. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family during this time.

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**Sara Brown - Auburn, IN - Friend of Sheryl - Mother - May 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM**

NF

“ Our hearts pour out to your family. There is nothing harder in this life than the death of a child. May God grant you peace and comfort to get you through these moments.

*Terry & Nikki*

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**Nikki & Terry Marker - Worthington, IN - Family friend - May 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM**

KF

“ Curtis,

*You will be dearly missed. You were a truly great guy thank you for tagging along with Dustin and helping make great memories that will last a life time. It is such a shame your life was cut short. I will miss you and always remember you and the great time we all had at prom.*

*Kelsey*

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**Kelsey K - Lowell, WI - Friend - May 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM**

MC

“ You were a wonderful person. I remember when we would come home to grandma and grandpa's. You always made us feel so welcome even after all the years that we were gone. I hope that mom will meet you at heavens gates. I love you and will miss you.

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**Melynda Ables - Vilonia, AR - cousin - May 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM**

DG

“ I remeber when we first moved into town and you mooned our next door neighbor Norma. Later she caught you peeing behind the big tree in the front yard. you had your first fishing rod that dad had bought and we were fishing on Lake Erie for perch. I had my back to you and when I turned aeoun you were holding up a minnow trying to bait a Seagul. You almost lost your rod over the side too.

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**Don Hoover - Albion, IN - Grandpa** - May 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ gotta remember when the Kickapoo girls made their trip to state. It was one of the regional or sectional games the the hoover boys brought that corsica up to one of the games. somewhere on the trip they lost dash lights and head lights and something else went wrong with that car. Well needless to say when that car quit workin it got shot at by just about everything in their weapon arsenal at home. You will be missed Curt, and my condolences to the family. The Kickapoo Class of 2006 lost one hell of a friend.

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**Ben Campbell - La Farge, WI - Friend/classmate** - May 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ I remember you mooning Norma, our next door neighbor in Albion. Then she caught you peeing on the tree in the front yard . I also remember fishing for pearch on Lake Erie. You were holding a minnow over your head trying to bait a Seagul. Too many sad, good and great memories to list.

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**Don Hoover - Rome City, IN - Grandpa** - May 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ You were an amazing person. You talked to everybody, and could cheer up anyone's day. You made us all proud. This is proof that God takes the best. Rest in peace.

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**Marissa Ledman - Viola, WI** - May 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ Hey Curt... what can I say... there are so many memories.. I remember when the four of you first moved into the valley and I met you all when I was bartender at L&J's years ago. I have so many memories... You guys (all of you) coming to the Quik Stop to hang out with me, all the hugs, the laughter, the stories of your travels after joining the military... I love you boy... I love you and your brothers. I know that you are alright now and I pray that your family are alright as well.

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Rebecca Hiemstra - MN - friend - May 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ I remember the first time i came over to your guys house i stayed the night but it was me dustin and curt both twins wanted to show me something in the shed accross the house we smoked a cigarette steve yelled at us to come back inside steve also yelled at us again about and quote steve said u fu\*\*\*\*\* better not be smoking them da\*\* cigarretes we had some good times shootin guns bull\*\*\*\*\* about women or this and that we rode motorcycle together we fished drank smoke cigarretes we had fun graduation 2006 both twins came over and we went paintballin out in the woods man that was a blast curt new when i was down he would always get me to smile i remember u used to always say dont be dumb and do somethin stupid ya curt you were a great guy and friend ill always remember curtis hoover at age 24 still young and had a good future ahead of him R.I.P hoover vacuum, hawaian phillipeano mexican aka love always curtis hoover

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David Remole - Viola, WI - Friend - May 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM

NT

“ Lacey, you and Curtis were *THE* coolest neighbors. We will miss you both and we pray for strength and serenity during this especially hard time. You have our numbers if you ever need anything! (Neicy says: You know I got you, no matter what, no matter when my fellow Wisconsinite :))

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**Neicy, Mike, and Marvin (the neighbors) - Clarksville, TN - May 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM**

JU

“ steve and stacy..sorry to here the bad news of curtis..our thoughts are you .jerry.emma and mike ackerman

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**jerry ackerman - prestonsburg, KY - uncle - May 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM**

JF

“ I will really miss you, you were such an amazing person...

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**Jena Welsh - Readstown, WI - friend - May 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM**

MF

“ Sheryl, you are my best friend and the worlds best mother. I love you so much. And know how much you love your boys and always will. You have talked about them non stop in the 7 years I have known you. I feel like I know them and I have never met them. I am so sorry for your loss and I will not even pretend I know what you are going through right now. Just know how much you have ment to me and shelby and kurt we will always be here for you whatever you need.

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**Maryann Kromer - garrett, IN - best friend - May 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM**

LM

“ Your son and mine shared many happy times at Fort Campbell - fishing, grilling out, "just hanging" . Andrew is the oldest of our four sons - but I think he might have said he had 5 brothers - he felt that way about your Curt. Curt was a good friend to a man whose friends are few and cherished. As a military family I know you've faced the possibility of losing a son in combat, and made peace with that. But this is harder somehow.....for everyone. Please know that your family is in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Laura Barnett - Lake Mary, FL - SGT Andrew Barnett's mom** - May 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ i will never forget the chubby lil boy who followed this cubby lil girl around askin when he was gonna get his turn on the horse and all the stories he loved to tell on his dad that his dad never knew about but always gave us the greastes laughs. i will never forget watchin dustin and curt polish off a 7 lb meat loaf plus all the fixens

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**lyndsey - topeks, IN - cousin** - May 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ Curt and Lacey

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**Katie Karper - Ontario , WI** - May 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ All of my favorite guys :)

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**Katie Karper - Ontario, WI** - May 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ The boys at the wedding.

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**Katie Karper - Ontario , WI** - May 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ *Steve and Stacy, Corey and Dustin, and family, words cannot express our sympathy for the loss of your son and brother, Curtis.*

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**Dana Powell - Amery, WI** - May 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM