



Sam Edward Carrell

May 9, 1947 - March 25, 2009

Sam Edward Carrell, born May 9, 1947, in Keokuk, Iowa, son of Clarence C. Carrell and Mildred Pflug Carrell. He passed away March 25, 2009 in Sugar Land, Texas. Sam graduated from Keokuk Senior High School class of 1965 and Grinnell College, BA Mathematics, 1969. It was at Grinnell that he met Ruth Schori the first day on campus their sophomore year. They were "Pinned" that Christmas and were married on Easter Sunday, April 14, 1968.

Sam was preceded in death by his parents and beloved Aunt Kate and Uncle Joe Buss.

He is survived by his loving wife of 41 years, Ruth, daughter, Debi and husband, David Heck of Richmond; son, Maj. Scott Carrell and wife, Susie, of Davis, CA; son, Maj. Richard Carrell and wife, Carmen, of Platte City, KS. His six grandsons were his greatest legacy, Austin and Adam Heck, Zachary and Luke Carrell, Scott and Sam Carrell.

After graduating from college, Sam taught math at Cardinal Stritch High School in Keokuk for 4 years and coached several sports. He then went to Rockford College, Rockford, IL as Admissions and Financial Aid officer. In 1975 he went back to Keokuk with Keokuk Steel Castings Company, launching a career in the steel castings industry which continued to the present. He moved to Pecan Grove in 1998 with The Richmond Foundry. He

later worked for Daniel Measurement and Supply in Houston and currently was employed with the Bradken foundry group, headquartered in Kansas City, KS.

Sam was a member of Calvary Episcopal Church and the Pecan Grove Plantation Country Club. He loved golf, sports, and cooking. He was a loving husband, devoted father and grandfather and loyal friend.

Memorials may be made to Calvary Episcopal Church, Richmond, Texas.

Funeral services will be at 4:00 P.M., Monday, March 30, 2009 at Calvary Episcopal Church in Richmond.

Visitation will be held from 5:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M., Sunday, March 29, 2009 in the Chapel of Davis-Greenlawn Funeral Chapel in Rosenberg.

Words of condolence may be left for the Carrell and Heck family at www.davisgreenlawnfh.com

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Davis-Greenlawn Funeral Home, 3900 B.F. Terry Blvd., Rosenberg, TX 77471, 281-341-8800.

Tribute Wall

SH

“ Dear Ruth - One thing I have learned of you above all else - You have a great wealth of supportive friends and loving family. We are all praying for you and your family. Please let us know if we can help in any way.

Susan & Bob Herke - April 15, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ Dear Ruth & family, I am so sorry to learn of Sam passing. He will always be in our hearts and memory.

Jim Paar - April 13, 2009 at 12:00 AM

YF

“ Hi Ruth,
I just heard about your husbands passing, I am sorry to hear about your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Yvonne Fonseca - April 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

GP

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you and I am so glad you can take comfort in all the lovely memories you and your husband have shared. May God Bless you and your family, Ruth

Gale Pashia - April 07, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CJ

“ I prayer and hope you find comfort and joy in all of the wonderful things you and your husband shared together in this lifetime. Ruth, now is the the time to lean on God to help you continue your this journey. Love you.

Curlie Beatrice Jackson - April 07, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ Dear Ruth, Debi, Richard & Scott:
I am terribly saddened by the loss of your husband and father. Sam was a terrific man, with qualities and character beyond compare. I will never forget Sam's gregarious persona, generosity and compassion. Both Sam and Ruth were witnesses and sponsors to my Baptism and Confirmation in the Episcopal Church, and I think you and your sons, Richard and Scott, for introducing me to Christ. May the Lord comfort and bless you during this difficult time. All of you are in my prayers. With love...

Matthew McCullough - April 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ I just wanted to send a quick note to let you know that your family is in my prayers. I had met Sam only a couple times, but it was so obvious through our conversations that he was very proud of his family. I am thankful for the brief time Sam and I worked together, and I will miss him. God Bless, Jay

Jay Hodge - April 03, 2009 at 12:00 AM

HV

“ Dear Ruth, Debbie, Scott and Rich,

I am so sad to hear about Sam's passing. There was so much love in your family I was lucky to live with. Tous ces très beaux souvenirs sont encore gravés dans ma mémoire, vingt ans après. Thank you for all that. I pray for you and Sam Véronique

HETET Véronique - April 03, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CE

“ It's been many years since I've seen your family, but have many fond memories of babysitting Debi and the twins when I was in high school and you lived on Park Lane. I was very shocked to see on the Daily Gate City web site that Sam had passed away. Just wanted you all to know I am very sorry for your loss.

Cathy English - April 03, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ Rich, Scott, Debbie, Ruth and Family,

I was so sorry to hear about Sam. My prayers are with you and your family. He was a wonderful man...a truth that is evident in the character and kind heartedness of his children. I know he will be truly missed by you and the countless lives he has touched over the years. My heart is breaking for you all.

Kris Carlson Heinz - April 01, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ To the Ruth and the boys- I just read about the loss of Sam, and I extend my condolences to you and yours. I would like you to know that you all will be in the prayers of my family. You should be very proud of Sam and his life. He was a good man, and I am glad I got to be around him the little bit I did as I was growing up.

Stacy Weber - April 01, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ Ruth and family-

I am so sorry to hear about your loss. Sam was a great man with a big smile and big heart. I have such wonderful memories growing up with your family. You kindly opened up your home to all of us. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Sarah

Sarah Pendergast - April 01, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ Ruth,

It was an honor to know Sam both as a fellow foundryman and as a friend. I'm still a little stunned over his sudden passing and give you, your family, and friends my deepest condolences. Sam was always a upbeat person with a lot of vigor for life, golf, work, and helping out other people. He will certainly be missed. If there is anything I can do to help your family during this difficult adjustment period please let me know. Wishing you and your family the best in the future.

John & Lynn Kujawa - March 31, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ Ruth,

Jan & I are deeply saddened by the passing of Sam. The last time we were together was in Hawaii when you both stayed at our condo. We will always remember that weekend. Take good care of yourself and family during these difficult times. May God bless you and your family.

Dick, Jan & Lisa Haley - March 31, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ To Scott and Rich along with your loving mom. I am very sorry for your loss. A great father and husband he was and he will surely be missed. I hope I can send my deepest sympathies and hope that all these messages of remembrance will help soothe the pain. May God bless your families and keep them strong. Your friend, Brad

Brad Seaver - March 31, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ Our condolences to Ruth and family. Lori and Doug from the Hawkeye Restaurant.

Lori Brilon - March 31, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DK

“ Sam was the best Math teacher I had at Stritch. He could really want you to enjoy it! I agree with Peggy Parameter - it was always a riot being around Sam and Tiny Evans. Will pray for your family.

Denise P Kay - March 31, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SU

“ Ruth and family,
I am so very sorry to hear about Sam's passing. He sure was a great guy and I know that you all will miss him terribly. Keep all your good memories of Sam close and use them whenever you to. You are in my prayers.

Sue Umthun - March 31, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ *Ruth,
On behalf of our entire organization please accept our sincere sympathy for your loss. Although the loss of a loved one is difficult, please remember that memories, unlike people, do last forever ... cherish the memories. Our prayers are with you and your family.*

Bob Black - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

ID

“ *Dear Ruth,
How sad for you to lose your Sam. Take comfort in knowing this nice and kind gentleman as a part of your life, giving you great children and grandchildren to cherish.
With heartfelt sympathy,
Ida Porter*

Ida - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ *Ruth, I'm so sorry to hear your sad news. You and I have never met but I love your son, Scott & his family and I am so sorry you must go through this sad time. I hope your happy memories and the love of your family & friends will carry you though this time. God Bless.*

Aunt Maggie - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BQ

“ Dear Ruth,
I'm so sorry and shocked to hear about Sam. I was so glad when I opened my e-mail and saw your name cause although we are not constantly in touch I always have you in mind and think about writing to you more than I actually do. Lots of memories came to me of my stay with you and the last time I talked to Sam through Skype. I'm really sorry that I won't make it to see him again as I have been thinking about visiting you for some time and was really looking forward to the moment I could do it.
I'll pray for him and for you all.
Lots of love,
Bego

Bego Quintana - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

IA

“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to you Scott! Our hugs go out to the kids as they miss their grandfather.

Inigo, Wendy, Natalia, Elias Arroniz - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CJ

“ Dear Ruth,
We are in deep sorrow to learn Sam's passing away. We got to know Sam in Januray 2005 and respect Sam as a great friend and an expert in our business. We had many trips together in China and USA and those wonderful will stay with us forever. On behalf of CMIPC and Hua Jin Foundry, Please accept our condolence. Take good care of yourself and your family!

Chen Jun - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Sam was a great guy! I really enjoyed working with him and will miss him greatly. I just wanted you to know that he talked of his family with great, great pride. He always conducted himself well. I admired him for his passion about work and more importantly his priority of family.

John Carpenter - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ Ruth,
I am so sorry for your families loss. Please know you have our thoughts and prays with you in your time of sorrow.
My deepest condolences.

Tammy Mangun - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ I had the pleasure of knowing Sam for just the last couple years, since the acquisition by Americast. He and I shared many jokes and stories when we met at company meetings and at tradeshow. He was known throughout the business as a gentleman and a genuinely kind person. He will be missed. My condolences go out to your family.

Tony Matukonis - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ Ruth,
I am so sorry to hear of your loss. The Identity Group has you and your family in our thoughts and prayers. We love you.

Darlene Akridge - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ *Ruth and Kids,
We were all so sad to hear of Sam's passing. Your family is in our
thoughts and prayers.*

The Pflug Family - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BZ

“ *Dear Ruth and children, We are so saddened to read of Sam's
passing. At least we know we will all see him again on that "distant
shore" that our Lord has promised. We think of you all and our days
at St. John's Keokuk with such fondness. Please know you are in
our thoughts and prayers often. Bill and Claudia*

Bill and Claudia Zimmermann - March 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

AR

“ *When you say good-bye*

It seems that time stands still

Nothing seems the same and seems

That nothing ever will.

The sun comes up, the sun goes down

And somehow, moving on

You learn to find a brand-new hope

In each new day that dawns.

As life unfolds before you,

Hold on to what is real

The smiles of precious children,

The ones that love you still.

Always keep the memories

Close inside your heart

And in each day, in some small way

Heâ€™ll always be a part.

Ruth,

You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

Alane Bertrand Roberts

Alane Roberts - March 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KK

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with your family.*

Karyn Engelmeyer Kramer - March 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

GS

“ *Debi, Ruth, Scott and Rich and family.
I was really surprised and saddened to hear of Sams passing. I
wanted you to know that I am praying for your family in your time of
grief. Miss having you around here.*

Gina Sisk - March 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ *Debi & Family,
I was saddened to hear about the passing of Sam. I sure had fond
memories of all of us in Keokuk. Thinking of you and the family
during this difficult time.*

Matt Morgan - March 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LK

“ *Memories of Sam up through KHS are marked by his larger than life
presence. He seemed always to have tremendous vitality, warmth
and humor. Good-natured, Sam had many friends who admired him
and genuinely liked him.
I send Ruth -and all of his family- my sympathy. May your lives be
filled with the gift of his love always.
Lynn*

Lynn Pace Martha Krebill - March 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RG

“ We are very sad to hear the news about Sam. Someday, we all will see Sam again, as I am sure he will be waiting for you Ruth, and the rest of his family and friends. Ruth, as always, we will be there for you.

Your friends, Corri & Rick

Rick Tabone & Corri Gibson - March 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ Dear Ruth and Family: We are both very sorry to read in the newspaper that Sam passed away. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this time of sadness. We will always remember you and Sam and the various times that our lives came together. Patty and I would often times comment about you and Sam, and what you might be doing whenever we drove by your house on Grand Ave. God bless you and know that Sam is in a better place.

Pat & Patty Beaird - March 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ Ruth & family-
Please accept our sympathy upon Sam's passing. You and your entire family are in our prayers.

Bob & Carol Hartrick

Bob & Carol Hartrick - March 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ *Ruth&Family: We are so sorry to hear about Sam. We are so glad we got to see him in August. We have so many great memories of Sam at KSC. He will be missed. We are sorry that we can not make his memorial but please know we are there in heart and mind. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.*

Roger and Rhonda

Roger and Rhonda Courtney - March 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JZ

“ *Dear Ruth and your family:*

This is Jack Zhang, I was very shocked by this sad news, I met Sam a few years ago when he worked for Daniel Measurement, and lately he had introduced our company to Americast, we have a lot of good time in both business and daily communication. I pray you stay in a beautiful garden of heaven.

Sincerely

Jack Zhang - March 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JT

“ *Mrs. Carrell:*

You don't know me. I was a friend of Sam's in high school. We were good friends. We played basketball together and had some good times. I am very sorry to hear of his passing. I will keep you and your family in our prayers.

Jack Teatsworth - March 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ Dear Ruth, Debi, Scott, Rich, and families,
Our thoughts and prayers are with each of you during this sad and difficult time. I do believe that your faith along with family and friends will help you make it through each day. As I think back and remember... I can "hear" Sam's laugh and the pride in his voice when he'd talk about his family. His memory will live on in each of you!

May God bless you!!!

Mary and Rick

Mary and Rick Hersom - March 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ Dear Ruth,

My prayers are with you and your lovely family to be uplifted at this time by the Holy Spirit. Sam will be truly missed and the memories we all shared will be so very precious.

You know, I always said that I hope the rapture will come as I spend my last dollar on a fabulous shopping spree. But Sam certainly didn't hope that his rapture moment would come in the parking lot of a discount store. Do you think it was Sam's sense of humor or that of the Almighty who has a really important and admirable position for Sam in the Heavens above? God's Will be Done.

I want you to know that I love you and really care about you. We will get together soon.

Molly Powell - March 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RK

“ *Ruth, Stanley and I were very sad to learn of Sam's passing...I have been at a retreat since Thursday and we prayed for Sam's transition to be our Father...and also for you, I pray you find peace. Regina*

Regina & Stanley Koenig - March 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

PP

“ *Dear Ruth,
I am so sorry to hear that Sam had died. And entirely too soon! I remember you both as a young couple and Debbi as a little toddler when I used to babysit for her. And I remember Sam and Tiny Evans at Stritch constantly wreaking havoc torturing the senior girls with the help of the senior boys in '70. Sam's picture looks just the way I remember him too. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.*

Peg Parmeter - March 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ *Lynne and I wish to express our sympathy for Sam's family. I was a high school classmate and remember Sam well from those days.*

Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Bob & Lynne Sloop - March 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with your family at this time.*

*Laura, Chris, Luke & Will
Family of granddaughter of Dale Carrell, daughter of Mike Carrell*

The Curran Family - March 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MG

“ *Ruth, Debi, Scott and Rich and families,
I am so sorry to hear of your loss. I am thinking of you all.
Sincerely,
Meg Gorham*

Meg Gorham - March 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *Ruth, I was saddened by the news of Sam's passing. I met Sam in 1979 at Keokuck Steel Castings. I found Sam over the years to be a knowledgeable foundryman and one I called on for industry insight. He'll be missed in the industry as I'm sure by his family. Please accept my profound condolences on Sam's passing.*

*Jack Slater
Caterpillar Inc.
East Peoria Purchasing Retired*

Jack Slater - March 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

EF

“ *Dear Ruth and family,
Sam was always a good friend; way back when we were at Torrence elementary and he invited a bunch of us guys to watch the original broadcast of Disney's "Davy Crockett." We were looking forward to seeing you and Sam at the 2010 class reunion. We are richer for having known Sam Carrell. We are so sorry for your family's loss. - Mike and Elaine*

Elaine and Mike Foley - March 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ Scott, Susie, Luke & Zack,
So sorry to hear about the sudden death of your father, father-in-law, & grandfather. I know how much he will be missed but also know of all the cherished memories you have with him. Our thoughts & prayers are with you all...

Damon & Peggy Azinger - March 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ Dear Ruth & Family--
We were shocked and saddened to hear of Sam's passing. Though Tom didn't have the pleasure of meeting Sam until one of our KHS Class reunions, he immediately discovered what made Sam so special throughout his life--an optimistic view of the world, gentle humor and a generous spirit. I have many fond memories of Sam from junior and senior high and, of course, our class reunions. I wish there were something more I could say to ease your grief, but words just won't do. Please know you're in our thoughts.
Linda & Tom

Linda Lovely & Tom Hooker - March 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ Dear Ruth and family,
We were saddened to hear of Sam's passing. Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers.
Rick and Judy Caldwell

Rick and Judy Caldwell - March 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

HD

“ Sam was a good friend to many of us in the steel casting industry, and I especially enjoyed working with him at KSC and NACO. He always had time for a phone call and a "catch up' conversation, and was extremely proud of his family. His was a life well lived, but far too short for the rest of us. Ruth, my best to you and yours in this difficult time.

Hal Davis - March 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ Dear Ruth & Family,
I was shocked and saddened by the news of Sam's death. I've had the pleasure to work with Sam over the past several years and always enjoyed his humor and appreciated his wealth of knowledge and experience. Most of all I appreciated his priorities and his ability to maintain those priorities in an environment that sometimes encourages compromise. I haven't had the opportunity to meet you or your family but Sam introduced me through his stories. His face lit up when he talked of the Carrell Clan and in the midst of all of his world travel and many business accomplishments, it was obvious that he was most proud of his family. Sam was a friend, mentor, straight shooting / cut to the chase guy. I will truly miss the example that he set for all of us. God Bless you and your family.
Denny Anderson

Denny Anderson - March 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

PD

“ I'm saddened to hear about the passing of Coach Carrell. Sam was one of my basketball coaches at Cardinal Stritch. He was also my upper level math teacher. He was a great person. My thoughts and prayers.

Pat Downey - March 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ My heartfelt sympathies to all. I am praying for all of you, and know that you are blessed to have each other and will treasure your memories as a family for all time.
In His Love, Barb

Barb Miller - March 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Dear Ruth and Family, All of us who knew Sam are saddened deeply by his sudden passing. I know Sam lived life to its fullest and grandest so I hope that is what his family members will remember him by and his love for mankind. I knew Sam when we grew up together in Keokuk, Iowa. I extend my deepest sympathy. Sally Storms Schaefer

Sally Storms Schaefer - March 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

PC

“ I am saddened to receive the news of Sam's sudden passing. As a classmate of Sam and Ruth at Grinnell College, I've known them both for over 40 years and, during that time, have regarded their love and devotion to each other with wonderment and awe. He leaves as his legacy a wonderful family and large group of friends who will miss him.

Patrick Cavanaugh - March 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DK

“ *Dear Ruth and Family*
My sincere condolences on your loss. Sam was indeed an admirable and accomplished man and father. He always made me feel a part of your extended family as we got to know each other from KHS, through meeting and assisting your sons as they sought to serve our country and took on leadership positions in the Air Force. I will always remember and value our friendship over the years.
All the best to you in the days ahead, and please know you all are in my thoughts and prayers.

Dan Krebill - March 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ *Ruth:*
So sorry to hear about the loss of Sam. He was a wonderful man and a good friend. His memory lives on. Our prayers and thoughts are with you and your family.
Barb and Dick Hanson
Keokuk, Ia

Barb and Dick Hanson - March 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ *Rich, Scott Susie and family,*
I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your father. It has been years since I have seen either of you but I want you to know that you and your families are in my thoughts and prayers at this time. Hold your memories close to your heart.

Brandy Protsman Magray - March 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

AK

“ *Rich and Scott,
I am truly sorry for your loss. You and your families are in my prayers. May God comfort you all.*

Amy Winn Kruse - March 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

AW

“ *So terribly sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Andrea Wasilewski-Mason - March 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ *We are so saddened to hear of Sam's passing. We are praying that God would comfort you and that the many sweet and wonderful memories you have of Sam will fill your thoughts now and in the days ahead.*

Becky and Scott Sabbert - March 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ *I am so sorry to hear of the passing of Sam. We worked together for many years. Your family kind of adopted me when Sam and I made so Many trips to Caterpillar together. Many times I ended up in your home for dinner. I got the chance to meet Debbie, Scott, and Richard. Got the chance to see them grow into great people, and will always consider them as part of my family. Please know, that my heart aches for each of you, in your loss*

Donald McMurray - March 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ Dear Ruth, Debi, Scott and Richard. Just a short note to let you know you and your families are in our thoughts and prayers since we heard the sad news that Sam had passed away. Our deepest and heart felt sympathies.

I always looked forward to swapping emails with Sam about setting up Class of '65 reunion golf every five years. And when we teed it up in Keokuk, it was like we had never missed a beat in the humor department. A great guy, husband, dad, grandad and former classmate.

I have fond memories of Sam that I'll always carry. All our best to you and your families.

Dave and Kim Peel

Dave and Kim Peel - March 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Ruth, Debi, Rich and Scott. Sorry about the loss of your husband and father. I enjoyed all the times spending with your family in Keokuk, and for Sam being my baseball coach. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Jason Skog Family - March 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ Rich and Scot, I was sorry to hear that your dad had passed. Please know that you are in my prayers. I wish the whole family well. Take care of each other and God bless. Marc Davis

Marc Davis - March 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

HR

“ Scott , Rich , and Ruth, So sorry to hear about your dad-husbands passing this week. Sending you deepest sympathies, love and prayers. Sincerely, Holly Rhea

Holly Rhea - March 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ Ruth & kids,
My heart is breaking for you -know you are all in my thoughts and prayers at this shocking and difficult time. I know how special your and Sam's relationship was Ruth, and what a wonderful father he was. I am SO SORRY for your loss!
Sharing your grief,
Karen

Karen Hempen - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ Sam was a great guy. We met in grade school and graduated together. Very sorry for your loss and the loss to the class of 65.

Karren Thompson Skipworth - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

GH

“ Truly sorry to hear of Sam's passing. Although we were hardly pen pals after our time in Keokuk, there sure are fond memories of Sam and his humor. He is well remembered and a loss to us all.

Gary Headrick - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BR

“ Sam Edward Carrell

Bill Riney - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ My sincere sympathy goes out to Ruth and Family. I work at Fisher Controls and we all had respect for Sam and his foundry knowledge. We worked hard on casting issues and we also had fun when the work was done. Sam had an impact on everyone he came in contact with.

Rick Miller - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Dear Ruth,
I am so truly sorry to learn of Sam's death. I have been remembering all the great times "our gang" had with picnics and summer school trips. Sam was a great friend. I understand your loss and can promise that there will be days in the future you will smile again. You can be sustained now with remembering the good times, God bless you and your family.

Martha DeJong Sorth - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ Ruth & Family So sorry to hear of your great loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you as fond memories of Sam will always be with us. God Bless You and The Family Larry

Larry G. Holton - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ Our thoughts are with you during this difficult time.

Sincerely, Chris, Allison and Caiden Knittel

The Knittel Family - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ Dear Ruth and Family,

I was truly saddened by the loss of a great person and friend when I heard of Sam's passing. Sam and I had worked together in the casting industry for the last several years. I know that Bradken will never truly be able to fill his shoes as his knowledge, friendship and everyday approach to live was second to none. I will also miss his great sense of humor and how we would both tease each other about our leisure times, him with golf and me with my boat. We at Caterpillar will always have a place in our heart for Sam and he will never be forgotten. I wish you and your family the best.

Dave Saletzki - Caterpillar - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BT

“ My prayers for comfort and peace to the Carrell family. Sam was a great contact for the casting companies he supported and always spoke highly of his family. He was always a pleasure to have visit and will be deeply missed.

Brian Tharp - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ Dear Ruth, Debi, Rich and Scott:

I am so sad about Sam's passing and I want you all to know that my heart is with you at this difficult time.

My memories of Sam are fun and friendly. He was a great person and I will certainly remember him as a good friend.

You have all been like another family to me and Sam will be missed as an important part of it.

I love you all very much.

Lupe Munoz - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SG

“ I knew Sam for many years as a customer and as a co worker. We both changed positions and kept running into each other and maintained a freindship.
It is a tragic loss for your family and our industry.
We will miss you Sam.

Steve Gear

Stephen Gear - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

EH

“ I was shocked to hear of Sam's passing. I consider myself very fortunate to have known, and worked with Sam. He will be truly missed.

Ed Hewitt - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ Dear Ruth, Debi, Rich, Scott, and families,
We were SO sorry to hear about Sam. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.
Love,
Art & Cathy Sellers

Art and Cathy Sellers - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ We know Sam through work after Americast merged with Atlas Foundry in 2007. We extend our condolences and our thoughts are with your family during this difficult time. He was a good friend and co-worker. We remember him with respect and admiration and he will be missed by all.

Bradken Global Services - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ *Sam Edward Carrell*

Susan Schmid - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

AD

“ *Dear Ruth and family*

I was so shocked to know you have lost Sam. What wonderful memories I can conjure up of those years at Kast Metals and Caterpillar. And what a great person and such a gentleman Sam was. He was respected by so many people and companies. I do hope that your friends, family and faith will sustain you through this loss.

I hope to be in touch soon.

Sincerely, with love

Annette

Annette Norris Dunn - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ *Dearest Ruth and family,*

I thought about you and our conversation last night and I just wanted you to know that an "I am so sorry" just isn't enough to say when you have lost your soulmate. Whit's and my prayers are with you and your family. As someone told us at Whit's father's passing. "Remember the good times!"

Love and a huge hug to you Ruth.

Cade and Whit Sibley

Cade Sibley - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ I work at Fisher in Marshalltown and have had several occasions to work with Sam. I enjoyed his perspective on work and on life. We worked through issues at Keokuk Castings with Sam and he always had practical solutions to offer. He and I also shared many stories at several Iowa tailgate events and I will always remember him for his ready smile and quick wit...

Don Rowley - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ Know that the Heck and Carrell families are in our prayers especially during this time of tragic loss. Love to all, Melissa, Rob and Christopher Hamon

MELISSA W HAMON - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ Ah, Ruth - Terry and I pray that your comfort is sure and steadfast from both our Lord in Heaven, with whom Sam surely is, and from your beloved children and grandchildren. My arms are wrapped around you in His love, Sarah Anderson Price

Sarah Price - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

WF

“ Dear Ruth and Family,

I have had the pleasure of knowing Sam as a friend, colleague and as a mentor to me. Our thoughts and prayers are with you as well as our love.

God bless.

Wayne & Family

Wayne, Jennifer Braun and Family - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ *My deepest sympathy is with all of you. I remember Sam fondly from the days he worked for Keokuk Steel Castings. I was the Buyer with Fisher Controls here in Marshalltown at that time. He was a great person to work with and just a great person overall. He will be truly missed. I'm so very glad I had the chance to know him. May you all find a little comfort in in what I shared. God Bless.*

Diane K. Stubbs - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

HH

“ *Dear Ruth, My sympathy goes out to you. I have many fond memories of Sam at KHS and in Boy Scouts. Sam was one of the good guys. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

Helmut Haas - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ *Dear Ruth, It has been 43 years since I saw your dear husband, but I do remember so clearly his great humor and dreams for his life. You and your family are in my prayers. Barry*

Barry Webster - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ *He was a good and loyal friend*

Dave Phillips - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ *Ruth, Debbie, Rich & Scott:
We are all saddened by the lost of Sam. The class of 1965 will remember him as a great guy and a wonderful father. His golf game wasn't too bad either. You are all in our prayers and thoughts. God bless...*

'65 Best Alive

Mike Beard - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TR

“ *Dear Ruth and family,*

It was with great sadness that I learned of Sam's death. He is a legend in the steel casting business. I remember when NACO had a large sales meeting and Sam, Don McMurray, Pat Hogan, Jim Brainard and I went to downtown Chicago for the rail Conference. I do not think I have ever laughed as hard in my life due to Sam's, Jim's, and Pat's repartees. He will be missed by us all.

With the greatest of regards,

Terry

Terry Robinson - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

FW

“ *I worked with Sam since I joined AmeriCast in 2005. We traveled together in both US and China, and I do enjoy the time we expensed together. He is a good friend and work partner. I am extremely sad, and Sam will stay in my heart forever.*

Frank Wang - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ We were so shocked and saddened to hear about Sam. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.

Sincerely, John & Judy Morris Kammerer, KHS Class of '65

Judy Kammerer - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ My heartfelt sympathy to you, Ruth and your family. You have given us so much comfort and now the recent conversations about Sam are so meaningful. Our deepest condolences. With love, Rob & Diane

Diane & Rob Raymond - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ We are so sorry for your loss Ruth and Scott and all the Carrell family. We are blessed to know Scott which is a testimony to Sam's character and deep love for his family.

Brent and Carrie Meyer - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ Ruth,
So sorry to hear of Sam's passing. While it has been a long while, I remember many great times around and about Keokuk, KHS, and St. Pauls. You and your family will be in my prayers.

Larry Meister - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ I'd only known Sam for a couple of years, since I came to Americast, now Bradken. I travelled with him to Caterpillar a bunch of time, we usually met up in Peoria the night before & he always had a cold beer waiting for me when I got to the hotel. I enjoyed his company immensely & I will miss him.
David Barnes

David Barnes - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Dear Scott and family,
I am sorry to hear of your Dad's sudden passing, and I am so sorry for your loss. Although I did not know him, I am sure your generous and pleasant personality that we at Rockefeller Center were privileged to get to know, was your dad's light shining in you. You are all in our thoughts and prayers at this time of sorrow. Sincerely, Judy Fothergill

Judy Fothergill - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JE

“ Ruth, Debi, Scott, Richard and all of your families,
I am so sorry about Sam's passing. I can remember so many great times as coahes, teaching, family outings, and the list goes on. He was such a great guy and good friend. Years go on and things change but my thoughts were of you many times. I send my prayers and best wishes. Love, Tiny

Jim Tiny Evans - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JN

“ It was with great sadness that I heard of Sam's passing. I remember him mostly from the days before high school. We recently reconnected via email a couple of times. I know he will be greatly missed by his family. But also know that his life long friends and classmates in Keokuk will miss him too.

John Nepote - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ I knew Sam as a customer, a business competitor, and more recently as a fellow employee. He was a gentleman in all cases. He will be missed by his friends at Bradken-Atlas. Our sympathy goes out to his family for their loss.

Dave Caldwell - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ Our deepest sympathy to Ruth and family.

Margaret & Jud Boyle - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ Ruth - Steve and I send our sincere sympathies to you and your family. You're in our thoughts and prayers. Steve and Jan

Steve and Jan Renard - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ To the family of Sam Carrell,
Sorry to hear about the loss of Sam, he will truly be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with your families. May God bless.

kenneth graf - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

NS

“ *What a wonderful legacy of family and friends Sam has left. May you find comfort in and draw strength from each other as you celebrate Sam's life and mourn his passing.*

You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Nancy Symmonds - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

VA

“ *Ruth and family--Extending our deepest sympathy for you in your loss. Please know we are keeping you in our prayers and trust that God will bring you comfort in the days ahead. "Death leaves a heartache no one can heal; Love leaves a memory no one can steal"*

Mark Magee and Vickie Autrey

Vickie Todd Autrey - March 26, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RL

“ *Dearest Ruth, Debbie, David, and family. We are deeply shocked and sorry to hear of Sam's passing. We offer our profound condolences and may God comfort you at this time.*

Love---

Rocky and Betty Ann

Rocky Lane - March 26, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ *Ruth, Deb, David and family, I can't tell you how sad I am to hear that Sam has passed. Our deepest sympathy and warmest love go out to you in this time of sorrow. Don & Leslie*

Don Dulin - March 26, 2009 at 12:00 AM