



Edward Paul Neal Obituary

March 24, 1970 - April 30, 2008

GYSGT, Edward Neal, 38, of Albany died April 30, 2008 in Miami, FL.

His funeral service will be held Saturday May 10, 2008 3:00PM at Rhema Word International Church. Bishop Victor Powell will be officiating. Interment will be held at Crown Hill Cemetery with full military honors.

A native Torrence, CA, Mr. Neal joined the United States Marine Corp. in 1991 where he was in Military Police and Physical Security. He served two tours in Iraq, and was stationed in Arizona, Georgia, California, Florida, and North Carolina. He was a graduate of Yuba Community College in Marysville, CA. He enjoyed riding motorcycles, playing football, weightlifting, spending time with family, and Oakland Raiders.

Survivors include his wife Cynthia Johnson Neal of Albany; two sons Trevon "Tre" Neal and Tyshon "Ty" Neal both of Albany; a daughter Evelyn Neal Hiatt of Los Angeles, CA; his father Larry Charles Neal, Los Angeles, CA; his mother Claudia L. Marshall of San Bernardino, CA; two brothers Scott L. Neal of Texas; Ronald F. Neal of Arizona; a sister Angela Neal Wharry of Yuba City, CA; Host on nieces, nephews and close friends.

The family will receive friends Friday from 5:00 to 8:00PM at Kimbrell-Stern. You may sign the online guestbook and share your own special thoughts with

the family of Mr. Neal by visiting Kimbrell-Stern's website at www.kimbrellstern.com.

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“ *We were stationed together at Camp Pendleton, were we deployed to Iraq with MWSS 372. We served as Military Police Officer and Physical Security Specialist together. It has taken me this long to come to grips that my brother is gone. He has always been in my thoughts and sometimes I here him speaking the word of God to me as he use to on so many mornings when he would come into work. He kept his special Bible with him everywhere he went, under the seat of the Blue Expedition or on the desk of our office. Eddy was ready with a lineof faith to give when you were down. Brother I don't look at you being gone, just being the entry man to the doorway to heaven. Eddy we are all coming in behind you. My family sends our love always to Cindy and the boys.*

Brister Packer - Washington, DC - Friend and brother - April 12, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ *I was stationed with Neal in Yuma and was just made aware of your loss. He was a great guy and would give you the shirt off his back. Please accept my deepest condolences for your loss.*

Julian Burgower - March 18, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SF

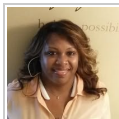
“ *Dearest Cindy and boys,
Out thoughts and prayers are still, and will always be, with you. We are terribly sorry that we could not come to see you before leaving Albany, I am sure you know the craziness of moving. Please know that Tony is truly honored to make a special tribute to Gunny. Once we get to CA, we will be contacting you for details of what you want. We love you dearly and hope that we will always keep in touch. Yall are forever in our hearts.*

SSgt Anthony and Gina Fox - June 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ *To the family of GySgt Neal; husband and I are keeping you all in our thoughts and prayers. We are sorry for your loss. Gunny Neal was a wonderful person. I have a few pictures of him from the Marine Corps Ball if you would like me to email you a copy.*

SGT Beatriz Berrios - May 16, 2008 at 12:00 AM



I am just reading this... If you still have the pictures I would love to have a copy! Thank you for your kind words

Cindy Neal - April 11, 2016 at 12:01 PM

GH

“ In the words of Bishop Powell, a true Hero has left us. May God bless the Neal family, and may GySgt Neal Rest In Peace. Semper Fi.

GySgt Joseph E Hopkins - May 16, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ We express our deepest condolencesto the Family of GySgt Neal. May jesus take you by the hand and provide you the relief throughout this time of sadness as you journey through your grief. And may you feel the healing touch of every thought and prayer that's sent with love and sympathy from friends who truly care.

In this difficult time, may the family find the kindness of friend to comfort you, compasion to warm and sustain you, and the unfailing love of jesus to bring peace to your heart.

With Gods blessings from the Taylor family and the Marines of the Montford Point Marine Association.

MGySgt Gilbert T. Taylor - May 15, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RA

“ Gunz sat in the cube next to me at work in Miami. We traded jovial jabs and stole each others food--we were brothers and I miss him. My sympathies Cindy...he was truly truly a good man.

Reginald Anthony - May 14, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ I would like to say goodbye to a good friend, fellow Marine, a great husband and a great father. You will be missed by those you leave behind and may God continue to watch over your family.

Calvin J Foster - May 13, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ My heartfelt sympathies for the loss of your loved one. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Monique Felton - May 13, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SO

“ The Marine Corps is a small place, we worked together in Miami, but I am here in Afghanistan and after I heard the news from Miami I find out that here in the sands of Afgan are two more Marines that worked with Gunny and like me, we are sad and will miss a great person.

*SSgt Michael J Ortiz
2d Battalion, 7th Marines
Afghanistan*

SSgt Michael J Ortiz - May 13, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LK

“ Gunny Neal: A "Can-Do" Marine who always greeted everyone with a smile. His enthusiasm, confidence, and good nature were infectious--a true leader of Marines and a man of character. He will be missed by all of us.

LtCol Dan Kazmier - May 13, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ My condolence to Eddies family. He was a great man. I'm proud to refer to him as a friend. May he rest in peace.

*Semper Fi!

1stSgt Colon*

JAMES COLON - May 13, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ *Cindy, Tre' and Ty:*

Words can't express how heartfelt sorrowful Michelle and I are over the loss of Eddie. You know Michelle felt Eddie was a close brother to her as do I. We find comfort to know he sits at the side of our Father in Heaven. May their love always give you comfort in times of grief and loss.

We love you!

Damon and Michelle

Damon Grier - May 12, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ *I am so shocked to hear of the passing of Mr.Neal.I will hold on to those memories of those nights at the Legion in Albany on those Wednesday nights of Karaoke.*

DeNotra Martin - May 12, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TR

“ *Dean and your family,
You are in our thoughts and prayers. If you need us you know that we are here for you.
It was a great pleasure to know such a wonderful person as Robert was.
In Christian love,
Tony, Tyler, Donna*

Tony, Donna and Tyler Reed - May 12, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ I am so sorry to hear the loss of GySgt Neal. GySgt Neal was a great man. I used to be stationed in albany and now I am overseas but I saw the horrible news on the Albany paper. GySgt Neal helped me out many times while i was over there and he will never be forgotten. I pray God helps the family of Gysgt Neal through these hard times.

SGT JUAN FERNANDEZ - May 11, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RP

“ Sorry for the loss, the world has lost another goodman.

Richmon E. Penn - May 11, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Although I did not have the pleasure of meeting Mr. Neal, I know several people that considered him a friend. He appears to have been well loved and admired by all of them. He was said to always have a smile on his face, and was very proud of his family. Please know that you are all in my thoughts and prayers.
Sincerely,
Jeanne Brooks

Jeanne Brooks - May 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ To The Neal's Family you have my Deepest Sympathy. I didn't know your Love One but I waited on the side of the road while all of the peoples go by in their cars after the service on U.S. 19. By the show of all who attend he had to be loved by many. That really say alot. God loves us all. Stay prayed up.

The Collins Family

Myra Collins - May 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DO

“ Big Ed had a great heart, a wonderful smile, and cared about his Marines. His morning workout banter was priceless. My and my families prayers are with his family during this difficult time. He will be missed.

Dan O'Connor - May 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

2U

“ I served with Gunnery Sergeant Neal at MCLB Albany, Georgia. Through daily interaction with Eddie, I developed a sincere admiration and respect for him. He led Marines with a kind heart and an indomitable spirit. All will miss him but I have faith that he is in heaven watching over us. My deepest condolences to all who knew and love him. Semper Fidelis.

2ndLt Christopher Kakas, USMC - May 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TN

“ My sincerest condolences on the loss of your loved one. I work at MCLB and was formerly employed with Family Housing for many years. "Gunny" Neal, (as I knew him) was always, always such a help to me. Any time I called him with a problem he would be so courteous and helpful. I could always depend on him to take care of any problems I had which the MP's could help us with. I appreciated him very much and I hope he knew this. I wanted to make sure his family knew how highly I thought of him. I am so sad for you all and you are definitely in my thoughts and prayers.

Terri Nolan - May 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

XF

“ We would like to send our deepest sympathy. It was a blessing for us to have Mr. Neal come into our lives. He was a real true friend who will deeply be missed..God bless his family!

Xavier & Wyatt Ferguson - May 09, 2008 at 12:00 AM

NN

“ *Gunny is a fine Marine, Brother, Husband, Friend, and neighbor. He will be missed by us greatly. May God send his Angels to comfort the family he has left behind, ensuring us all that he will forever be in our hearts and minds. Fair Winds and Following Seas Gunny, God's Speed. Nikk & Donna Nicholson*

Niik & Donna Nicholson - May 09, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ *we had the pleasure of working with neal through our special olympics fundraisers and torch runs. he was always a bright star and wonderful person to us and we will always think of him always. god bless you and your family.*

linda wilson - May 09, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ *I would like to express my deepest condolences to you and your family....(friend of GYSGT Martin)*

Julie Johns - May 09, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ *Cyndi,
My thoughts and prayers are with you and the boys. There are no words to express the loss that I know you must be feeling. I will be here for anything you ned.
Love you all,
Staci*

Staci Hurst - May 09, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ Cindy, we just wanted to take a moment to let you know how sorry we are for your loss, and that our prayers are with you. I am glad that I had the pleasure of serving with Gunny Neal and having had some great times at PMO and Long Horns. I miss my partner already.

God Bless

Daryl B. Harris - May 09, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ Just wanted to say to the family on behalf of S.T.A.R MC(Sisters Together,Always Real) you will be in our thoughts and prayers and we are ALL so sadden by your loss. If there is anything that you may need feel free to reach out to us. We ONLY knew Gunny from the MC world but, he was so full of life and loved riding. He will be missed

Kajuana Antoinette Brock SSG - May 09, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SJ

“ Eddie will surely be missed. He was a good friend and Marine.

SSgt Timothy Judd - May 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ Rest in Peace Gunny.
Semper Fi

Dave Schmidt GySgt USMC ret - May 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

EE

“ I will truly miss Neal. He had such a presence about him. No matter when I saw him he always had a ready smile and a smart comment or two. My deepest sympathy goes out to his family.

Eula Ellis - May 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ Cindy and family - my heartfelt sympathies for your loss. "Those whom we have loved never really leave us. They live on forever in our hearts, and cast their radiant light onto our every shadow." - Sylvana Rossetti

Stacy Mendenhall - May 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ To the Neal family, I am so sorry for your loss. "Gunny" Neal was well respected by the entire Branch Health Clinic staff. His smile and willingness to help will always be remembered. Mrs. Neal, you and the boys are in my prayers and God knows best. He will carry you and your sadness through this most traumatic of times. God bless you all.

Shebreaka Clyde - May 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ Cindy - my heart goes out to you in this time of pain and sorrow. I am praying for you and your family. With warm regards, Shirley

Shirley Hamilton - May 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DE

“ I am so sorry for your loss -my thoughts and prayers are for you Cindy and the boys.

Debi Etem - May 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LN

“ I worked with Gunny Neal at the MCLB in Albany, GA. It was an honor. He also imparted words of encouragement as I prepared for an assignment in Iraq. He was a true American hero and will be greatly missed.

LT Alfred Nuzzolo - May 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

GP

“ My deepest sympathies.

Georgia Peterman - May 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ We are so so sorry for this tragic loss. Ed was a true blessing to be around. We will always remember him for his Big Smile and his big heart!! Cindy you the boys and all the rest of the family are in our prayers.

Dean & Sumitra Price - May 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ When you lose someone very precious, no one else can really know all that you feel, but please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time of sorrow. Remember he is just away and his memory lives on in our hearts forever.

Always Friends, Semper FI

Charles, Brenda & Kiera Green - May 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

GD

“ I had the pleasure of working "Gunny" Neal at Albany PMO. His positive attitude and smile will be missed by all who knew him, but will continue on in heaven.

GySgt C.E. Denson - May 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DL

“ *Semper FI.*

Dwight D. Leonard - May 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

PS

“ *"The heart hath its own memory like the mind and in it are enshrined The precious keepsakes, into which is wrought the giver's thought."*

*Our thoughts and prayers are with you.
The Sanford Family*

PAMELA SANFORD - May 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ *I work at MCLB Albany in the NAVFAC Contracts office and had several dealings with Gunny Neal. He was such a kind person yet so strong and professional as a Marine. He treated everyone with such respect and dignity. What I remember most about him was his pleasant personality and his smile. I know his family is so proud of him as he has left a wonderful legacy for his children. With my deepest sympathy - Patty*

Patty Morgans - May 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RG

“ *To the Neal Family, our prayers will forever be with you. Know that God is so wise to make a mistake, he will take care of you, he'll never leave nor forsake you just trust and know that he is "God".*

*The Graham Family.
Min. Desmond & Min. Rhonda Graham (Harvest Kingdom Jubilee).*

rhonda m graham - May 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

VG

“ I first met Gy Neal when he was a Cpl at MCAS Yuma. I am deeply saddened at this loss. He was always one to help others, and always had a smile on his face. You didn't have to talk to him long to figure out he was a Christian. This brings me comfort. He will be deeply missed. To the family, please accept my sincere sympathy.

Vivian Gregory - May 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ My deepest condolences. He is now guarding us from heaven.

SSgt Joey A. Medina - May 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LK

“ Our prayers are with you

LtCol Wallace Kendle - May 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ Edward Neal was a positive influence on those who knew him. He was a good soul. Kind. Energetic. Selfless. He will be missed.

Matthew Himebaugh - May 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ Gunnery Sergeant Neal was my friend and co-worker and a good man. I will miss him terribly. My condolences to Mrs Neal and his boys.

Brian Burgess - May 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ Ed had such an influence on so many people in such a short time. I feel blessed to have been a part of his life. He enriched my life in many ways. He will deeply be missed. I am truly sorry for your loss. He was a co-worker, and a friend. Sincerely Julie Alvarez

Julie Alvare - May 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ *Semper Fidelis.*

LtCol Mark Mackey - May 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LU

“ GySgt Neal epitomized what it means to be a "Marine." Professional, steadfast, loyal and committed. He will be missed in the Marine Corps, but the positive impression he made on all his fellow Marines will endure forever. My sincerest sympathy to Cynthia and the boys, but rest assured, your husband and father was an outstanding Marine and you should be proud of the contributions he made to many while he was on this Earth. *Semper Fidelis.*

LtCol Michael A. Brown, USMC - May 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

GG

“ *My prayers for your family at this time, but know he is still serving in God's Corps.*

GySgt Robert Galmore - May 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM