



Timothy Lee "Tim" McKelley

February 7, 1947 - May 20, 2011

On Friday, May 20, 2011, Timothy Lee "Tim" McKelley, age 64 of Wooster, left this wonderful creation to be with his Lord Jesus in heaven at Akron City Hospital in Akron. Tim valiantly fought a 14 year battle between his body and disease with no regrets.

Tim was born on February 7, 1947 to parents Carolyn (Knieriem) McKelley and James McKelley in Canton, Ohio. He graduated from Lincoln High School in 1965 where he met and eventually married his loving wife Patricia (Pat Meyer) McKelley in 1966. Upon receiving draft orders for the US Army 6 weeks after their wedding, Tim completed basic training at Fort Benning, GA and was stationed at Fort Gordon near Augusta, GA for Military Police School. Upon an honorable discharge as a sergeant in 1968, he returned to work at the Timken Corporation where he was hired in 1965. He spent almost 16 years at Timken in several positions and in 1982, Tim and Pat became Teaching Parents at the Christian Children's Home of Ohio (CCHO). In two different stints at a little over twenty years, Tim was able to help touch the lives of hundreds of troubled youths. It was his passion and joy to help share Jesus and healing for young people who had been abused and wounded. Helping these young people break the chain of abuse to begin new lives knowing they are loved was the ultimate for him. Forced into early retirement due to health issues, Tim still displayed this love to his own family of children and grandchildren. His other passion was riding Harley Davidson

Motorcycles (Ride to Live, Live to Ride), discovering this great nation on numerous long trips.

Tim leaves behind a loving wife of 45 years, Pat, beloved mother Carolyn, brother, James David and wife Virginia (Ginny), beloved mother-in-law Jesse (Williams) Meyer, and sister-in-law Gloria (Barnett) Meyer. Three children; Christopher John and wife Rebecca, daughter Karon (McKelley) Grier and husband Randy, and daughter Cheryl (McKelley) Mendenhall. 10 grandchildren (8 girls, two boys) ranging in ages from 20 to 3. (In birth order) Brittany Grier, Tess Davis, Tara McKelley, Sydney Grier, Emily Davis, Macy McKelley, Cassidy Grier, McKelly Davis, Tristan McKelley, and Logan McKelley. Tim's eight little ladies and two gentlemen. Preceding him in death were a beloved father, James Calvin McKelley, father -in-law, Glenn Eugene Meyer, and brother-in-law Charles Eugene Meyer.

In lieu of flowers the family would like donations to be made in the name of Tim McKelley to either Donate Life America, 701 East Byrd St., 16th Floor, Richmond, VA. 23219 or the Christian Children's Home of Ohio, 2685 Armstrong Rd., Wooster, Ohio 44691.

Calling hours will be held at Custer-Glenn Funeral Home, 2284 Benden Dr., Wooster on Monday, May 23, 2011 with hours from 2:30-4:30pm and 7-9pm. The funeral will be held at the funeral home on Tuesday, May 24, 2011 at 11am with Pastor Dean Hammond officiating with visitation one hour (10:00 - 11:00) prior to services. Military rites will then immediately follow conducted by the Wooster American Legion Post 68. It was his wishes for cremation to follow.

Words of comfort may be shared with the family at: www.custerglenn.com.

Previous Events

Service

MAY **24**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Custer-Glenn Funeral Home, Inc.
2284 Benden Dr.
Wooster, OH

Tribute Wall



“ We were so sorry to here of tims passing. So many good memories came flooding back. Waving and smiling through the kitchen window. We will always cherish those memories.##imported-begin##Jack and Janet Lawver##imported-end##

June 02, 2011 at 07:41 PM



“ My dear Pat, Upon arriving in Ohio for a visit, I learned that Tim had passed away. I'm so sorry, Pat. I want to express my sincere, understanding, sympathy to you. And, also to assure you that our God is the God of all comfort and will supply you with strength to face today, hope for tomorrow, and peace to face the future. Psalm 29:11. I have experienced this in the passing of my dear husband, Deryll, now twenty-eight years ago. I know you trust God, Pat, He will never leave nor forsake you. Joshua 1:5. I will be praying for you and your family. With His love, Marjorie Sprunger, 2303 Minneola Rd., Clearwater, FL 33764##imported-begin##Marjorie Sprunger##imported-end##

May 28, 2011 at 11:43 AM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. In God's Love,##imported-begin##Claude McHenry Family##imported-end##

May 24, 2011 at 03:42 PM



“ Tim will always have a special place in my heart. He was a wonderful man, and was a great friend to me at a tricky time in my life. My best to his family.##imported-begin##Duane O'Brien##imported-end##

May 23, 2011 at 08:02 PM



“ I spent a couple of years at CCHO back in the late 80s. I was not in Tim's house but I always liked him and am very sorry to hear of his passing. While Tim was not my 'houseparent' I know he was well liked by his kids and I know from personal experience how much living at CCHO helped lots of kids including me. Tim touched a lot of lives and will be dearly missed.##imported-begin##Kyla (Slough) Lamb##imported-end##

May 23, 2011 at 06:45 PM



“ Pat, Karen, Chris, Cheryl and families....from my early internship at CCHO to my final days....Tim was a source of comfort and strength...an example of firmness and forgiveness..... today at the thought of his passing I weep....knowing how he will be missed....but I rejoice knowing another true roadie has entered in! Praise God for men like Tim McKelley! May God be in you midst.....##imported-begin##Chris Callahan##imported-end##

May 23, 2011 at 02:27 PM



“ sorry we can't come down but our deepest thoughts and prayers are with you all through this difficult time.
Terry and Jody Dillon##imported-begin##terry and jody dillon##imported-end##

May 23, 2011 at 02:00 PM



“ Dear Pat and Family,
I am so saddened by the news of Tim's passing he and I shared so many things over the years in the barbershop. I will keep him in my prayers everyday.

sincerly

Greg Marino##imported-begin##Greg Marino##imported-end##

May 23, 2011 at 11:49 AM



“ Karon & Pat,

I'm so sorry to hear about Tim's passing. I am sad for you but rejoicing for him. His long fought battle is over and now he can rest.

You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Lelia Wilson##imported-end##

May 23, 2011 at 11:35 AM



“ Alot of great memories around the "lasagna table!" Tim was a blessing and a servant of Christ in all he did!##imported-begin##Tim Keith##imported-end##

May 23, 2011 at 10:30 AM



“ Dear Pat and the rest of you McKelley family,

*What a remarkable fellow your husband, father and Grandfather was! An outstanding Christian man.
You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

I Thessalonians 5:13 - 18##imported-begin##M/M Fred Balding##imported-end##

May 23, 2011 at 10:27 AM



“ Dear McKelley Family,

Our sincere sympathies! Tim was an AWESOME man! He will be missed by many! Our prayers are with you at this time of sorrow.

Ron, Susan, and Hannah Schlauch##imported-begin##Ron, Susan, Hannah Schlauch##imported-end##

May 23, 2011 at 10:05 AM



“ Pat and family,

*I am heartsick to hear of Tim's passing.
I KNOW he is in heaven, but none-the-less, it hurts.*

My prayers are with all of you. Tim was a neat guy!

*Much Love,
Patty*##imported-begin##Patty Fannin (Meyers)##imported-end##

May 23, 2011 at 08:02 AM



“ Was so sorry and surprised to read of Tim's passing. We know he is in a wonderful place, but will be missed here on earth by his family and friends. We have good memories of you both. Our love and sympathy to you Pat and the kids.
God be with you all
Ernie and Vicki###imported-begin##Ernie and Vicki Graf###imported-end##

May 23, 2011 at 01:31 AM



“ Tim is an unforgettable person in our lives! His laughter still rings and his fabulous sense of humor. He was such a hoot! He was such a tremendous warrior for the Lord and touched so many lives with his kindness! We are all so blessed to have had him in our lives! He just made us smile and made us happy!
Seeing him and Jeff Stump together laughing and remembering him with the kids, his own and others was such a pleasure!
He will be forever in our hearts and our lives are so much better for him being in it.
We love you and are here anytime for you!
Love
John & Sandy###imported-begin##John & Sandy O'Brien###imported-end##

May 22, 2011 at 06:55 PM



“ Dear Pat, Chris, Karon, Cheyl and families,

Please accept our sincere sympathy in Tim's passing, however we cannot forget that he has "received his wings" and is now far better off than anyone could imagine. We are praying for your family as you adjust to your loss. Some of our very early memories of CCHO include Tim and his reaching out to all the kids he worked with. A life well spent! Love, Randy and Laurie##imported-begin##Randy and Laurie Steiner##imported-end##

May 22, 2011 at 09:35 AM



“ Prayers to all of you during this difficult time.##imported-begin##Wendy (Cook) Jones##imported-end##

May 22, 2011 at 07:46 AM



“ I love u Tim. An I thank you for everything u had done for me if me life. I now u are in a after lace now. And that u will always be watching us on earth. Pat I'm so sorry for ur lose. I love u and the family and thank u all for everything. God bless u in this time of need prayer and over. Love Brenda Irvin.##imported-begin##brenda irvin##imported-end##

May 22, 2011 at 05:48 AM



“ 1“Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in me.
2In my Father’s house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. 3And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.

~ John 14:1 - 3.

Pat, Chris, Karon, and Cheryl, know that you are in my prayers, my heart, and thoughts today and always. May the Lord grant you His peace that passes all understanding, may you be embraced by His presence, and enveloped by His love.##imported-begin##Rev. Louis Pantelis ##imported-end##

May 22, 2011 at 02:24 AM