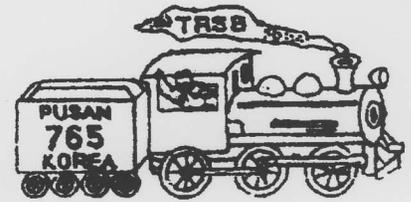


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## NEWSLETTER



**765<sup>th</sup> TRSB VETERANS OF THE KOREAN WAR**  
**"KOREA, THE FORGETTEN WAR, 1950-1953"**

**DIED: 54,246**

**WOUNDED: 103,284**

**MIA: 8,177**

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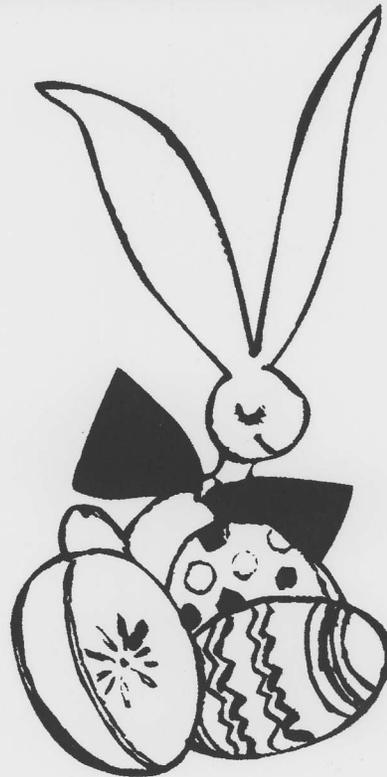
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Happy Easter

Happy Easter and coming of spring!

Some of you were fooled by a warm early winter but it caught up with you soon enough and kept your snow shovels busy. Here in Las Vegas, we even got 2 inches of snow one night which is a real rarity for us. It melted pretty fast though and our clear blue skies and warm sunshine took over once again.

Our 765 had a sad bad beginning in 2007. King Davenport's wife Gretchen passed away on 12/30/06. Dick Nesbit passed away 2/1/07. The wife of a new member, George Bouch passed away 10/17/06. Jim Langston passed away 1/15/07. Deepest sympathy to all the families.

We talked with Cindy Kwiatkowski on 3/11/07 to learn that Dick was in the hospital for 2 mos and 2 days in January and February. He had 2 heart attacks and doctors had to use paddles on him twice. He then came home for 2 weeks but then had to go back to the hospital again with water retention. Cindy is hoping he'll be back home soon. All of us 765ers hope he will too and send our best wishes for a speedy recovery.

We were happy and pleased to receive info (letter elsewhere in this issue) from Sue Hamilton, her daughter Sheryl and husband Perry Schneider who have been working hard planning our Oct. reunion. Everything sounds great and will be buttoned down soon. It's going to be another fun reunion. We've got a lot of new items for our bingo games, silent auction and main auction in addition to your welcomed contributions.

Stay well, dear friends. We hope to see all of you at our Ohio reunion in Oct.

Audrey, Bob and Dan

2/9/07

Dear 765 friends,

We've really missed seeing and visiting with all of you in person but we've enjoyed the cards and calls of concern. Frank is still recouping from his surgery but doing pretty good. He has dialysis on Mon-Wed and Fri and Blood pressure continues to be too low. He uses the walker in the house and the wheelchair to go out.

We are hoping to work out a schedule so we can get to Cincinnati and it helps with the dates being over the weekend days.

My brother Bob Braithwaite was in the hospital from Dec. 15-Jan 8 with an emergency surgery. So glad to report he is doing well and also looking forward to the reunion in Oct.

We've been in contact with the Kwiatkowski's; Dick is in the hospital with heart problems to remember them with your prayers and calls also.

Our best wishes to everyone. Hope to see you in Cincinnati.

Frank and Evelyn Rowe

Dec. 12, 2006

Dear Bill and Billy,

Well, another Christmas upon us and another year almost gone by. Where does the time go? Bob and I haven't had a great year for sure, but we are still around. On Aug. 8<sup>th</sup> Bob fell and broke his hip and had to have hip replacement surgery on the 9<sup>th</sup> of Aug. His Parkinson's disease has progressed a lot since his fall too. It has become very difficult for him to get around. He has a full time personal aid who helps him shower and dress everyday and then drives him to his round of coffee shops. He also helps him with physical therapy and exercise. He has truly been a gift from God for us. I didn't want Bob to be totally dependent on me for his social life during the day and he really needs the time with his friends at the coffee shops-so this works out well. We are not able to go to Florida this year. Bob doesn't think he is up to the trip and we don't want to loose our aid by being gone for a long time. So it seemed best to stay in Illinois this winter.

We hope you are both doing well. We really miss coming to the reunions and seeing everyone. We do read the newsletter from cover to cover and really enjoy it.

Merry Christmas, stay well

Sharon & Bob Wheeler  
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Jan. 10, 2007

Dear family and friends, Well, we got the news yesterday afternoon that Rush Medical Center will do the deep brain stimulation surgery on Bob on Jan. 23, 2007, at 5:30 am. What we hope is that this procedure will decrease the tremors on one side of his body. He will still have to take some medication to control the other side of his body, but not as much as he takes now. In taking less medication, we hope to decrease the dyskentic movement of his head. They could operate on the other side of his brain at a later date if this side works. There is alot of risk due to his age and low blood pressure, but he is willing to take the risk. The doctors at Rush Movement Disorder are some of the best in the country. They are doing this procedure everyday and are constantly doing research to develop more ways to control the Parkinsons disease. This procedure is not a cure. Our hope is that it gives Bob better quality to his life.

So, on the morning of Jan. 23rd, please say a prayer for Bob.

Love to you all.  
Sharon & Bob too.

Jan. 27th, Saturday at 11:10 A.M.

Dear Family and Friends,

It is such a relief to tell you today that Bob is doing great. He had the deep brain surgery on Tuesday morning as planned. He came thru the surgery very well, but on Wednesday he had some swelling in the brain which caused him to not know who he was or who we were - his words were jumbled and just didn't make sense. Ronda and I were so worried because they had warned us that this could happen and be temporary or permanent. However, he has slowly but surely returned to the old Bob. Due to all that has happened his stay in the hospital has been extended from 2 days. They moved him yesterday to a room on the regular floor and he will stay there until the next step of the procedure which will be on Wednesday at 1:00 p.m. - this is when they will put the generator (as they call it) into his chest and connect the wire from his brain to this generator. It will then take another 4 weeks or so to complete the programming and fine tune the procedure to stop the tremors on the right side of his body. We see a big improvement on the right side already, but know that that is temporary until everything is done.

We know that all the prayers helped us get to this point. We thank you all for the prayers, cards, e-mails, phone calls and for thinking of us. We hope to be home on Thursday, Feb. 1st.

Keep in touch. It means so much to Bob and I to hear from you.

Love you all, Sharon & Bob too!

Feb. 5, 2007

Dear Bob, Bob has completed the first two procedures of the brain stimulation surgery and returned home last Thursday, Feb. 1st. from the Rush University Medical Center in Chicago. In two weeks we will go to the doctor again - they will remove the stitches and program the conductor. The first surgery was to put wires into his brain, the second was to implant the conductor in his chest (like a pace maker) and connect the wires to his brain. Now, they will program the conductor to stop the tremors on his right side. So far everything is looking very good. He has already improved alot and the conductor is not even running. We have great hopes that this procedure will be an answer to his prayer for a better quality of life. He may be able to have the left side done in 6 months or so if this one goes well. This is not a cure for Parkinsons, but it looks like it could be a great help for how ever long it lasts. Bob is still weak and must now work hard to build up some strength and stamina.

We thank everyone who thought of us, who prayed for Bob, sent cards and called - all these things have meant so much to Bob in his recovery. Just maybe we will get to another reunion - maybe this year.

Our best to you all.  
Sharon & Bob Wheeler

**Gretchen Davenport**  
1934-2007

Gretchen Davenport of Los Lunas was born and raised a farm girl her first 18 years outside Waynoka, Okla. She moved to Wichita, Kan., in 1953 to attend business college. King entered her life in 1953 on his return from the Korean War. They married six months later and started their family, the first being twin daughters. Two more girls came to her.



Gretchen was born a Libra — meaning balance of the scales, which she did very well. She was always a warm, loving and caring person who enjoyed life to the fullest.

Gretchen fought cancer with the greatest determination and spirit possible and did not leave her family voluntarily; she passed away on Dec. 31.

Gretchen benefited from the care of a number of tremendous family and friends this past year and especially friends Rosie Cox and Valerie Waller. But of all those who cared for her, no one quite handled the job the way her husband, King, did. His constant love, devotion, support and care through this ordeal gave Gretchen a richer and fuller life in time of sickness and health.

She was preceded in death by her father, Albert Nicholson; her mother, Gladys; two sisters, Geneva Boman and LaVaun Boman; and a brother, Gerald Nicholson.

Surviving her are her husband, King Davenport of Los Lunas; daughters, Valerie Smith and husband, Jerry, of Los Lunas, Victoria Harris and husband, Neil, of Nampa, Idaho, and Judy Brooks and husband, Mark, of Los Lunas; a sister and brother-in-law, LeJoy and John Maxwell; four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

She will be buried next to her parents in Oklahoma.

Gretchen's family will receive friends for light refreshments at Grace Fellowship Church, 3384 Highway 47 in Los Lunas, from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 8, to celebrate her life with far more laughs than tears and pronounce themselves lucky for having had

the opportunity to be a part of Gretchen's life. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial contributions in Gretchen's name to Grace Fellowship Church Dance Team (Rejoice), P.O. Box 448 Los Lunas 87031. Arrangements by Riverside Funeral Home, of Belen, 418 W. Reinken Ave. An online guest register is available at [www.riversideofbelen.com](http://www.riversideofbelen.com).

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Thank you again for your support to the folks during mom's illness thru her death. We will forever be grateful for their "army reunion" family. Dad is struggling with the loneliness + loss of his beloved.

Victoria, Valerie,  
King + Family

I am the daughter of Dick Nesbit who left you a message about my Dad's passing.

Dad passed away Tuesday afternoon with Mom, my daughter Tracy, my husband Rick and I right beside him. We knew his time with us was going to be short & I/we truly are thankful that we could be with him at the end. Dad had been sleeping most of the last day or so & had been fairly unresponsive, though he did hear us. Just before his passing, he opened his eyes and looked at me. I told him we were all there and how much we loved him and we would take care of Mom and it was ok to go. This must have given him what he needed. Thank the Lord we were there. He is now at peace & in a better place, though there are many tears as I try to write this message. I/we are going to miss him so much

I am sorry to be notifying you through email, but there is just so much to take care of. I/we thought that you should know. I am not home very much, but here is my contact information as I am the one fielding info:

H (650) 577-0721

C (650) 888-0258 (Chris)

C (650) 888-0374 (Rick)

Email: rickandchris@rcrogers.com

Please include my Dad and Mom in your prayers.

Robert, I would really appreciate it if you could please try to notify any members of the 765th. I know how much my Dad enjoyed this group and really looked forward to the reunions.

I will forward information about services when we know. We are meeting this afternoon to start making the arrangements.

Chris Rogers

Richard F. Nesbit  
6/7/28-2/01/07

Richard F. Nesbit, 78, of Redwood City, died peacefully at home with his family by his side on Feb. 1 after a very short illness.

Born in Glendale, CA, raised mostly in San Mateo and San Francisco, graduated from Balboa High School in 1946. He settled with his family in Redwood City in 1955. He worked for Schlage Lock for 44 years as a Tool & Die Craftsman, retiring in 1991. He served in the army during the Korean War.

Nesbit is survived by Joyce Nesbit; his loving wife of 56 years, daughter Chris Rogers (Rick), grandson Dave Holmquist, granddaughter Tracy Holmquist and step-grandsons Kevin and Brian Rogers, all of San Mateo, and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, brother and sister.

He had many loves; played fast pitch softball for over 25 years, bowled in numerous leagues, enjoyed water skiing & boating with family & friends, devoted to his yard & pool and was a faithful 49er fan since 1946 & season ticket holder for most of those years.

Funeral services were held & internment was at Skylawn Memorial Park. A "Celebration of Life" will be held on March 3, 2007, 1:00PM, at the family's home. Email [rickandchris@rcrogers.com](mailto:rickandchris@rcrogers.com) for details.

I received a call from King Davenport a little while back and he told me that Jim Langston passed away Jan. 5 2007. A lot of us can remember Jim from the early reunions that he attended.

I also received this note from George Bouch, one of our newer members.

Mr. Bill  
Just a line to tell  
you that my wife  
died Oct. 12 2006.  
I am doing fine. It  
takes time to get  
over it. She <sup>was</sup> in a  
wheel chair for 8 or  
9 years.  
Here is my P.O. #  
It is good to get your  
letters. Your truly  
George Bouch  
over

In Loving Memory  
Of

**Helen M. Bouch**  
(Harpster)

March 31, 1929  
October 12, 2006

Date, Time and Place of Services  
Monday, October 16, 2006  
11:00 am  
McQuown Funeral Home

Clergy  
Rev. Joe Shawley

Place of Burial  
Pleasant Hill Cemetery  
Glasgow, PA.

March 9, 2007

Hi Bob, Audrey and Dan,

Greetings from Cincinnati! Hoping all is well with you and all of our "reunion" family.

We have survived the ice and snow of another great Ohio winter and we are appreciative of the "suggestion" of spring that we are now receiving. It's not very warm as yet, but you can feel the promise in the air. Today is sunny at least as I look out my office window across the Ohio River.

Mom has been working diligently on our reunion package and we think everyone will have a good time. There are plenty of things to do in the area. Our hotel is located in Covington, Kentucky right on the Ohio River overlooking downtown Cincinnati. The view at night is very pretty with all of the lights of the city and on the bridges. The river is used for work and pleasure so there are barges, river boats and pleasure boats out most of the time and very relaxing to watch from our hospitality room and most guest rooms. We will actually be on the river one day for lunch on a Riverboat.

Cincinnati has a very strong German heritage which is still prevalent today. We will be visiting the Hofbrauhaus for dinner one evening. They take pride in their traditions and provide good food and fun. There is more information on this in the attachment.

Cincinnati is bordered by both Kentucky and Indiana, with Casino boats located just across the state line in Indiana that some may want to visit.

I have attached a list of activities and the costs for each day along with a few descriptions of some of the local places of interest. If anyone has any questions, they may e-mail me at [Sheryls@aol.com](mailto:Sheryls@aol.com) or our mailing address is 10560 McKelvey Rd., Cincinnati, OH 45240. Home - (513)648-0351

On the 24<sup>th</sup> of this month Perry and I are leaving for two weeks in Italy. Perry surprised me with this trip for our 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary. It is somewhere I have always wanted to go and we are very excited, so if anyone sends questions via e-mail and doesn't get a response for a couple of weeks, please know that I am not ignoring you!

We wish everyone a wonderful spring and summer and are looking forward to seeing all of you at the reunion in October.

*Sheryl*

Sheryl & Perry Schneider  
Sue Hamilton

**Thursday, October 4, 2007**

City Tour	Per Person	\$48.00
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Lunch on B&B Riverboat  
(B&B Riverboat – Cruising on a BB Riverboat is more than just a remarkable view of the city; it's a unique experience with quality entertainment and the best in casual dining. Soak in the sights, sounds and ever-changing scenery as you relax and enjoy the feeling aboard a historical and beautiful boat.)

**Friday, October 5, 2007**

Business Meeting Banquet/Auction	Per Person	\$30.00
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**Saturday, October 6, 2007**

Wright Patterson/United States Air Force Museum Early Dinner - Hofbrauhaus	Per Person	\$52.00
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(United States Air Force Museum – The United States Air Force Museum is the largest and oldest military aviation museum in the world. Located near Dayton, Ohio this unique attraction tells the exciting story of aviation development from the days of the Wright Brothers at Kitty Hawk to the present. Each year over one million visitors from around the world tour 10 acres of indoor exhibits, featuring over 300 aircraft and missiles and thousands of artifacts including personal memorabilia uniforms and photographs. The Museum is handicapped accessible. Wheelchairs are available on a limited basis for use inside the Museum building)

(Hofbrauhaus – The first authentic Hofbrauhaus in America. Modeled after the original am Platzl in Munich Germany, Hofbrauhaus Newport offers the beer, the food and the German fun known as "Gemutlichkeit" that made Hofbrauhaus a name recognized the world over.)

<b>Total Per Person</b>	<b>\$130.00</b>
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**Other Attractions to Consider:**

**MainStrasse Village** – Located just a few blocks from our hotel, MainStrasse Village is the home of Old World charm and New World fun. It is part of Covington's German heritage and is located in one of the historic districts of Covington. There is a tremendous amount of history associated with MainStrasse Village ranging from the Goose Girl fountain to plaques of famous people and historic events. There is a vast variety of shops, restaurants, pubs, and entertainment to compliment the beautiful collection of homes in the area.

**Cincinnati Reds Hall of Fame and Museum** – The Cincinnati Reds Hall of Fame and Museum was created in honor of the home of professional baseball. Spanning the history of the Cincinnati Reds from inception to modern times, the museum showcases the world's largest public collection of Reds memorabilia and artifacts.

The hotel is located just across the river from downtown Cincinnati for shopping, restaurants etc.

**National Underground Railroad Freedom Center** – "Sobering, humbling, uplifting; if you see only one museum, this should be it." Phil Marty, Chicago Tribune, August 6, 2006

Newport on the levee is just a couple of miles from the hotel. There is a multitude of things to do, such as the aquarium, movies, a comedy club, shopping, lots of restaurants and book stores. You can revue their offerings at:

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**Union Terminal** - Cincinnati's magnificent art deco style railroad terminal building, now the home of Cincinnati Museum Center, was dedicated on March 31, 1933. Union Terminal was first proposed in the early part of the 20th century as a solution to the chaotic existing railroad system, which consisted of seven lines operating out of five stations. Initial planning began in the early 1900s, but floods, inter-railroad squabbling and World War I delayed the plan until the late 1920s.

Cincinnati Union Terminal stands on a prominent location one mile northwest of the center of the city on land that once was Lincoln Park. Visitors approach the massive 10-story, arched, limestone and glass east facade of the building from Western Avenue and Ezzard Charles Drive through a quarter-mile plaza. The building is flanked on either side by curving wings. An illuminated fountain, cascade and pool are in the center foreground. On either side of the main doors, bas-relief figures designed by Maxfield Keck symbolize Commerce and Transportation. During World War II, Cincinnati Union Terminal experienced unprecedented success. As a major transfer point for soldiers, the station served as many as 34,000 passengers on some days. But in the 1950s, the sudden expansion of interstates and airlines led to the rapid decline of the railroad industry. By the early 1970s, only two trains a day passed through Union Terminal and in 1972, train service was halted completely.

In 1975, the City of Cincinnati bought the terminal and ran advertisements in the Wall Street Journal, which read, "World-famous Cincinnati Union Terminal for lease—\$1 per year." In 1980, a Columbus developer converted the terminal into a shopping mall. The recession of the early 1980s caused the project to fail.

During the mid-1980s, the administrators of the Cincinnati Museum of Natural History and the Cincinnati Historical Society developed plans for a joint museum project. The spaciousness of Union Terminal, coupled with its history and design, made it the top choice as a location for the project. In 1986, Hamilton county voters approved a \$33 million bond issue for the restoration of the terminal. The State of Ohio and the City of Cincinnati also contributed to the restoration with grants of \$8 million and \$3 million, respectively. In one of the city's most successful capital campaigns ever undertaken for a Cincinnati cultural organization, more than 3,000 Cincinnati individuals, corporations and foundations contributed to the building's renovation. In November 1990, Cincinnati Union Terminal reopened as Museum Center, an educational and cultural complex featuring the Cincinnati Museum of Natural History, the Cincinnati Historical Society Museum and Library and the Robert D. Lindner Family OMNIMAX® Theater. On July 29, 1991, train service was officially restored to the terminal. The success of the Union Terminal renovation made it possible for Amtrak to schedule a Cincinnati stop on its Chicago-bound route from Washington, D.C. The Cincinnati History Museum, Cincinnati Historical Society Library, the Museum of Natural History & Science and the Robert D. Lindner Family OMNIMAX Theater merged operations in January 1995 as Cincinnati Museum Center, and welcomed the Children's Museum of Cincinnati in July 1997. The Duke Energy Children's Museum at Museum Center opened as the Cinergy Children's Museum in October 1998. Since its opening in 1990, Cincinnati Museum Center at Union Terminal has attracted more than one million visitors each year.

To view our hotel, please visit: <http://www.radisson.com/covingtonky> Please do not try to use this website to reserve your room for the reunion as we have a package rate. **To make reservations call (888) 201-1718 and ask for the 765<sup>th</sup> rate of \$89 plus tax. The local number is (859) 491-1200.**

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**Activities Reservation Form**  
**765<sup>th</sup> TRSB Reunion**  
**Cincinnati, Ohio**  
**October 3-7, 2007**  
**Radisson Hotel**  
**668 West Fifth Street**  
**Covington, KY 41011**

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<b><u>Friday, October 5, 2007</u></b>				
Business Meeting				
Banquet/Auction		X	\$30.00	
<b><u>Saturday, October 6, 2007</u></b>				
Wright Patterson/United States Air Force Museum				
Early Dinner – Hofbrauhaus (Included in price)		X	\$52.00	
Total remitted for all activities:				

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete this form and mail the form along with a check to cover these choices to:

Make check payable to: **765<sup>th</sup> TRSB**  
**Bill Hill, Treasurer**  
**101 Graham Road Phone No. (423) 942-2644**  
**Jasper, TN 37477**

Check in time and registration is on Wednesday, October 3, 2007

**If you have any questions, please call Sue Hamilton home: (513) 398-0713**  
**or Sheryl Schneider home: (513) 648-0351.**

Subject: up date on jean buchan  
To: bob@kalan.net

Bob I regret to inform you Jean Buchan (wife of Pat Buchan) passed away on Sept 8 2006

Jean last made the reunion in 2003 in Tenn. She was unable to attend the later reunions. She did enjoy seeing the friends her and Pat made since the reunions were started  
Pat had passed away in 1990. I enjoyed my self when I traveled with my mother to the Tenn. Reunion meeting some of the guys my dad served with in Korea and their families

Patrick Buchan

AOL now offers free email to everyone. Find out more about what's free from AOL at AOL.com.

I received this from Jean Buchan's son right after I took the Newsletter in to be printed.  
She will be missed and our condolences go out to the family.