



Maynard Charles Bliss

May 17, 2013

After a short illness, Maynard Charles Bliss quietly passed away just before midnight at the OSU Medical Center on Friday, May 17, 2013. A Marine Corps veteran who served during the Vietnam War, Maynard (to his family) and Sonny (to his friends) will always be remembered for his ready smile and his kindness and consideration of others. His sensitivity and love of all living creatures made him a very special person to know. He will not be forgotten and will be missed a great deal by his surviving family members, friends, and not the least, the cats he loved so well. No formal funeral or interment arrangements are planned. A memorial service will be held at a later date for friends and family. In his memory, a contribution to a charitable organization like Pelotonia at <http://pelotonia.org> (funds research for a cure for cancer) or an animal welfare organization like the Cat Welfare Association at <http://www.catwelfareohio.com> in Clintonville, OH or Colony Cats at <http://www.colonycats.org> in Dublin, OH would be welcome.

Tribute Wall



“ *Maynard Charles Bliss*

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *"To Sonny's Family, I am so sorry for your loss." Sonny and I met when I was a sophomore at Grandview. Others have mentioned his striking good looks and wonderful personality. He was soft-spoken and genuinely funny in many ways. He was an extraordinary person. He had a beautiful singing voice and It didn't take long for us to form our first singing group. Others in the group included Eddie Hamel, Myself (Mike Pope) Joe Hardy (second tenor), Dennis Richardson (first tenor and falsetto parts), but it was sonny that stood-out with ability to sing lead and mimic singers like Dion. We sang all over Columbus and were "Paid for it." After he completed his Marine Corp duty, he visited me in Columbus. I think it was 1985. Both of us were more mature and started doing Everly Brother's material and I thought we really nailed it. I could talk for 6 hours about Sonny. When he was in my life I considered him my best friend. I'll bet a lot of you feel that way. Sorry it took so long to pay my respects, but I simply didn't know.*

Bless Your Heart Sonny,

Mike

Mike Pope - July 28, 2021 at 08:36 PM

JH

“ *Sonny was a good friend and fellow Marine. We had good times and bad, but mostly good. He actually saved my life back in the summer of 1964 pulling me out of the river preventing me from drowning. Sonny was liked by all. His charm and charisma overwhelmed many around him. He will be missed. My condolences to his family. Semper Fi Sonny!* ”

Joe Hardy - May 23, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ *to his family i am sorry for your lost. i knew "Sonny" back in my high school days. he was a fun and loving guy.* ”

cathy byerly - May 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ *I'm so sorry for your loss.* ”

Darcey Hile - May 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

NK

“ *Maynard was the handsome older boy on our street. All the girls thought he was gorgeous. And I, this rail-thin, very self-conscious young girl, had a crush on him. I skittered away when he came near, because I felt too unattractive and silly to be in his company. Yet there were times when his arrival was unexpected, and I had no immediate escape. He would speak to me. Exchange pleasantries with me. Imagine that beautiful man a decade older than I talking to me like I mattered. Time passed swiftly; life changed. I always wondered what became of him. And when those wonderings occurred, I never forgot his kindness. Never. I never will. My sympathy to all of you who loved him and knew him well. For those of us who spent our childhood on Derby Road, Maynard will be remembered fondly.* ”

Nikki Taylor Kelley - May 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KA

“ *Fond memories of my younger days. My high school sweetheart, the handsome Marine, my husband, the father of my first son, Bradley Alan, the man I loved. May he rest in peace.*

Kay Rader Bliss Blalock Altschul - May 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

NC

“ *Rest in peace brother...*

Nina Crotty - May 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ *Our thoughts and sympathy go out to you. When we lose someone, especially a gentle person like Sonny, the empty space in the garden of our hearts and lives can be tended, but will never bloom as before. I will miss seeing Sonny and the pick-up truck, and waving back and forth across the street. Love, Betsy and Mark*

Betsy Harris & Mark Baldwin - May 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SN

“ *When I was a little girl I adored my brother, Maynard. As an adult, I knew him as one of the kindest men I ever knew. He took care of me through a miscarriage, named my first born son, and helped me anytime I needed him. He was loved dearly and will be deeply missed.*

Seville Bliss Norton - May 19, 2013 at 12:00 AM