



## Sgt. Jesse M. Balthaser

September 4, 2010

Sgt. Jesse M. Balthaser, USMC, age 23, of Columbus, died Saturday, September 4, 2010 in Afghanistan while serving his Country. Jesse was preceded in death by his grandfather, Richard Rasor. He is survived by his parents, Rick and Nancy Balthaser; grandmothers, Jean Rasor and Rose Balthaser; grandfather, Fred Balthaser and other relatives and friends. Family will receive friends Monday, September 13, 2010 from 2:00-4:00 and 6:00-8:00 p.m. at the Grove City Church of the Nazarene, 4770 Hoover Road, Grove City, OH 43123, where a funeral service will be held 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, September 14, 2010. Burial will follow in Green Lawn Cemetery. Arrangements completed by RUTHERFORD-SHROYER FUNERAL HOME, 1278 West Broad Street, Columbus, OH 43222.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Sgt. Jesse M. Balthaser*

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January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *Nancy and family, You may or may not remember me, we were friends as kids. I heard about your son thru my parents who now live in Dublin but want to let you know how very sorry my family and I are for your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Debbie Pabst Young and family*

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**Debbie Pabst Young** - September 15, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Please accept our deepest Sympathy, our prayers are with you at this sad time, Martha Joyce and Family.*

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**Martha Joyce** - September 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Nancy, Just wanted to let you know that you and your family are in my prayers during these difficult days. Dave*

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**Dave Kirk** - September 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *From one Marine parent to another, Thank you for your sacrifice. May God be with you and your family at this time. You are in my thoughts and prayers.*

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**Kim Johnston** - September 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

ER

“ Dear Rick and Nancy, We were saddened to learn of the loss of Jesse. To you he is a son, to us he is a hero to whom we owe a debt of gratitude. You have our highest respect and deepest sympathy. Sincerely, Ed and Joanne Rhodes

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**Ed Rhodes** - September 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ Dear Family, My prayers are with you all. It takes a very special, courageous, committed, and faithful person to put themselves in harms way for another. I appreciate your family's sacrifice. God's blessings surround you at this time and Always! Semper Fi

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**Carolyn Scales** - September 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ So sorry for your heart breaking loss. I don't know how I would ever bear this level of loss and pain. The Balthaser Family is a strong one and an example to the rest of us. Grace and Peace

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**Jim and Martha Bowling** - September 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SJ

“ Nancy and Rick I'm am so sorry for your lost. I've served with Jesse in Iraq with 3rd CEB and spent time with him on he's first days in Afghanistan he always brightened everyone's day by his jokes and humor. Jesse has always been a great friend we share many fond memories. I will always have him close to my heart as one of the best man I have ever severed with. God Bless your Family.

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**Sgt Patrick T Johnson** - September 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LR

“ The Lord except our fallen, as his own, God Bless America.

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**Leslie W Manthe Jr USAF RET.** - September 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

AW

“ God be with your families .What a wonderful young man to fight for out country so brave and true.Thanks so much !!!!

Audrey Whitney - September 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Rick, Nancy, Erin and Reagan, Our hearts are broken for you. I cant begin to imagine your pain. I just hope that you lean on the Lord and each other and know that your Hero will be with you always. He will never be forgotten. Jim & Judy Cruse

Jim & Judy Cruse - September 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ Dear Nancy and Rick, As parents of a Marine you, too, have served your country and I thank you for the service your family has given to this country. As the sister of a retired Marine and aunt to a current Marine I consider all Marines my extended family. My prayers are with you a this difficult time. Sincerely, Barb

Barbara Fersch - September 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

GD

“ To the family of Sgt Jesse Balthaser. Please accept our most sincere condolences for your loss of Jesse. We are both Veterans (Desert Shield and Vietnam) and are always greatly saddened by the loss of a commrade. Know that Jesse was a true hero who was willing to not only fight for our country but also for others who seek the freedoms we enjoy. May God watch over you all during this most difficult time. Gail (USAF, Retired) and Tom (US Army)

Gail DeGood - September 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

IU

“ He was the finest this country had to offer. My wife Mindy and I offer our sincerest condolences on your loss. Both Jesse and his family will be in our prayers.

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**ISC Peter G. Margaritis, USNR** - September 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ As the father of a Marine, there are no words I can provide other than thank you from a grateful citizen for Jesse and his service. Know that he will always be remembered and cherished as he joins the detail guarding the streets of heaven.

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**Dean B** - September 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

GM

“ I wouldn't consider saying I understand the grief you are feeling now. Please know that as a grandmother of a 23 year old Marine I do hurt for you. May God give you the strength to face this challenge of having to bury your beloved son and find peace in his sacrifice and love of family and country. Thank you for your sacrifice. God Bless the entire Balthaser family. Sincerely, Geri Martorano (MCFSC Member)

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**Geri Martorano** - September 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ We are so very sorry for your loss. Please know that you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Kelly Family** - September 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ I just wanted to say how very sorry I am for your loss. May God Bless and Keep your family in His loving arms during your time of sorrow. My heart goes out to you, and I will be praying for your comfort. Sincerely, Rebecca Mitchell (Former Marine) Marine Mom to Two "Semper Fi"

Rebecca Mitchell - September 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ Rick and Nancy, Please know that Jessie's sacrifice will NOT be forgotten! As a fellow Marine parent the lose of Jessie hits very close to home. I had planned to at least attend the funeral, but unfortunately my husband has multiple Dr appts the first 3 days this week. You will be in my thoughts and prayers. God bless. Lora Wells

Lora Wells - September 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ Nancy and Rick, We were so sorry and very sad to hear about Jesse. My earliest memory of Jesse is when he was about 2. I was driving around with Annemarie and Chad, and he was in the back seat. He'd just learned part of the song "Oh Susanna" (the "doo dah" part). All you could hear from the back seat was "doo dah" over and over again. Hilarious! You are in our thoughts.

Toni & Mike Bernard - September 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TP

“ Though we did not know Jesse personally, he was on the prayer list of West Park Methodist Church every Sunday. We personally know his grandmother, Jean Rasor, and are saddened to learn of his death while serving our country. May God's blessings be on the entire family during this most difficult time.

Tom and Pat Peacock - September 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ We pray for God's richest blessings on Jesse's family. Our hearts and prayers are with you.

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**John Miller, SGM, AUS, Ret.** - September 11, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PC

“ My son is Cpl Justin Brock, a good friend of Jesse's and member of the 3rd CEB currently still in Afghanistan. On behalf of Justin and our family I would like to express our condolences as well as gratitude for Jesse's service to our country. He led his men well, treated them with respect and kept them laughing. I will be honored to attend the funeral to stand in for my son who would be there if he could be. They are honoring Jesse in their own way in Afghanistan. If our family can be of help in any way, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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**Pamela Bishop (Marine Mom 1st Div 3rd CEB)** - September 11, 2010 at 12:00 AM

EM

“ Nancy and Rick, I am so sorry. First of all, it doesn't seem possible that Jesse is that old. The time sure gets away from us! I remember when he was about 4 and fell and broke his arm. He sure turned into a good looking young man. You must be so proud. Take care and know that you are in my thoughts and prayers. Ellen (Huntington Bank)

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**Ellen Martin** - September 11, 2010 at 12:00 AM

WW

“ I will always remember Jesse as the outspoken kid that I met over 10 years ago while attending the New Hope Grace Brethren church. He was a good friend and was like a younger brother to me. Jesse was always full of smiles and jokes and I wish that we would have kept in touch over the years. Rick and Nancy, I am so sorry for your loss. Your son was somebody to be proud of and I'll never forget the impact that he had on my life.

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**Wes Wright** - September 11, 2010 at 12:00 AM