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A Letter from the Founder

When I started this company in 1999, I had a vision for an expediting company for the future. I wanted an honest, hard-working organization that I could be proud of. Along with this, I wanted to build something that I could leave behind. I saw StoneBridge Trucking as my legacy. Upon starting StoneBridge, I worked diligently for the next 13 years to responsibly grow the company while strengthening a foundation that could endure the tough times and thrive in the good.

Like our country, fellow Americans, fellow Hoosiers, and customers, we have experienced peaks and valleys. In 2008, when the financial system caused a recession, this had a devastating effect on the US consumer, which immediately correlated to our customers' challenges. But like many of our customers, the StoneBridge foundation was strong, and we were able to see things through.

In 2013, Garry Hadler stepped up and assumed the Operations role and worked diligently to take our customer service and procedures to the next level. When my son left Active Duty for the Navy and joined our team in 2016, due to Garry's hard work and dedication, he would eventually leave StoneBridge to Shane better than he found it.

With the addition of my son, Brad Stephens, JD McClintic, and the time put in by Doug Spon and Charlie Mann, Operations, Finance, Safety and Compliance, Maintenance, and Human Resources are now operational within StoneBridge Trucking. Importantly, we are blessed today to have the best fleet of drivers we could ask. Qualified candidates are walking through the door consistently showing interest in joining our team.

Earlier this year, at our customers' word and the demand they were forecasting, StoneBridge was primed to experience its best year ever. But a pandemic was looming, and StoneBridge would be challenged just like all its customers. Once again, the StoneBridge foundation was strong, and we have endured. Thankfully, our customer's demand is on the rise, and we are once again seeing an American economy returning. When I look at the cover of this newsletter and the love I have for my granddaughters, I pray America's best days are ahead of it. I believe they are. We understand that many challenges will continue to arise. At StoneBridge Trucking, we will continue to strengthen our foundation to endure while trying to responsibly grow and expand our fleet's services and capabilities to better serve our customers.



StoneBridge President and Founder
Butch Kennedy

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A Light at the End of the Tunnel

In January of this year, 2020 was looking to be a promising year. It was the start of a decade and Stone-Bridge Trucking was optimistic about the year to come. The glass wasn't half full, it was overflowing. But the entire world had a challenge ahead of it **A PANDEMIC.**

How could this happen? With today's technological advances, with advanced communications being able to transmit a message across the world in less than a second, how is it possible the a respiratory illness could bring the world economy to a halt? While I will reserve my personal views of how everything has been handled for personal conversations at Kennedy's Pub, **I will say that it has been both saddening and enlightening.**



StoneBridge and the majority of its customers have taken a serious hit, but the StoneBridge Pint Glass is still half full. I have quickly and consistently reminded our team that this isn't a StoneBridge problem, this isn't an Indiana problem, this isn't an American Economic policy problem, this is a pandemic the ENTIRE WORLD is working through together.

While this may not be comforting, please find comfort in knowing that the American economy will recover and we will find a way to grow stronger together whether we are quarantined to protect the vulnerable, or peacefully (most Americans) marching in the street to bring attention to important societal issues. At StoneBridge Trucking, it is important that our customers know . . .

WE ARE IN THIS TOGETHER!!!

WE ARE STANDING BY 24/7!!

A small company, doing its small part , for its large American family.

Since March, StoneBridge Trucking has been committed to transporting hospital beds to the tough spots. Because of our fleet capabilities box trucks and cargo vans, coupled with our lift-gate service option, we are able to safely deliver to urban locations a typical 53ft tractor cannot. Based on this, we have been called upon to deliver to the following locations since the COVID-19 epidemic hit:

- West Chester, PA
- New York, NY
- Newburgh, NY
- Greenville, MS
- Staten Island, NY
- Bronx, NY
- San Antonio, TX
- Tampa, FL
- Aurora, CO
- Lewes, DE
- Hollywood, FL
- Billings, MT
- Brooklyn, NY
- New Haven, CT
- Ridgewood, NJ
- San Francisco, CA
- Springfield, MA
- Chinle, AZ
- Alexandria, VA
- Little Rock, AR
- Winston Salem, NC
- Browns Mill, NJ
- Spokane, WA
- Georgetown, TX
- Orange, CA
- Ridgewood, NJ
- New Orleans, LA
- Schwenksville, PA
- El Paso, TX
- Live Oak, TX
- Miami, FL



Matthew Lynch poses for a picture as delivers to the Bronx, NY in a StoneBridge 16ft box truck.



Carrolle Henneke (above) is loaded and ready for his run lift-gate specialty expedite to Orange California. Workers (below) to unload beds in Manhattan, NY.



“When I first joined StoneBridge, I was excited to be a part of the team. I enjoy the job and the customers we serve. When the COVID 19 pandemic hit the United States, I was extremely prideful that I was able to be a part of a critical mission of delivering hospital beds that was essential to the care of our country. “

~ StoneBridge Operator Matthew Lynch

Driver in the Spotlight



For over the last two years, Brock Bayless has been a staple at StoneBridge Trucking.

He has been consistent, dependable, honest, kind, and humble. When you get to know Brock, you cannot help to like and respect him. When he grabs a truck and assures you he will get the job done, you know it will happen. As truck driver, he is a ringer. Ironically he is a ringer in the alley, which we will get to later.

Brock Bayless was raised in the metropolis of Westport Indiana. Born in 1979, he was raised by his mother Brenda and father Duane. He grew up as a big guy that everyone always liked. His laid-back personality and his loyalty to those around him has always been a strong pillar within his character. In June of 1998, he started at Printpack in Greensburg Indiana and remained there for 13 years. While there, he spent a lot of time with former StoneBridge Operator Dave Brown; also employed by Printpack at the time. In 2010, he moved to B&J Express in North Vernon and operated their cargo vans and box trucks. He remained there until 2018 when B&J decided to shut down their box truck operations.

"I remember Brock interviewing with the company. I remembered him being a nice and well-liked guy from high school and was glad he was interested in joining StoneBridge. When I called B&J to get their reference, they spoke very highly of him and were glad he was potentially landing with us."

~ StoneBridge CEO Shane Kennedy

Since Brock joined StoneBridge he has been appreciative of the opportunity and like everywhere he has been, has been loyal not only through words, but through his actions on and off the road. As a person and truck driver, he is as good as they come. Outside of the cab of a truck, Brock is a "guy's guy", at least in southern Indiana. In the Fall, he is committed to Notre Dame and Indianapolis Colts football. In the Winter and Spring, Indiana Hoosier Basketball and Cincinnati Reds Baseball have his attention. **But Brock is not just an avid sports spectator, he is a "Ringer" in the bowling alley. In his life, he has bowled 10 perfect games. Yes, TEN!!!!!!!!!!** Importantly, in the Fall of 2003, Brock's bowling skills were responsible for something that caught the attention of the **Indianapolis Star**. During league play, he had **4 (four) 800 series sets. What is an 800 series? To achieve an 800 series, you must average 266 per game for 3 straight games. During Brocks run garnishing him state level attention, his highest series was 822 in which recorded a score of 299 two of the three games.** At this time, he held a record and the Indianapolis Star interviewed as seen in this article.

Brock is enjoying his time with StoneBridge Trucking. *"I really enjoy the family environment and I always feel comfortable with my team, and feel comfortable in a StoneBridge Truck".*

The StoneBridge Family feels the same about Brock. We are thrilled that he is just as good in a truck, as he is in a bowling alley.

BOWLING

Dick Denny

Switching balls earns a place in history

Brock Bayless still can't believe what happened to him on Sept. 29 in the Monday Classic League at Rushville Bowl in Rushville, Ind.

After beginning with a 224 game, the 24-year-old right-hander from Westport, Ind., changed bowling balls to get a better feel in his release. He then flirted with perfect 300 scores in his final two games, winding up with successive 299s for an 822 series.

The two 299 games in one series ties a national record shared by many bowlers.

"I keep asking myself how come I didn't start out with that new ball," Bayless said. "Both of my final shots in the 299 games were in the pocket. I left a solid 10 pin in the first one and a solid seven pin in the second one. I couldn't believe I had back-to-back 299s."

The 822 was his highest of three 800 series and third 800 in the history of the Rushville Bowling Association. He had 801 and 802 series in Columbus, Ind. Bayless, who also bowls once a week in Greensburg, Ind., has three sanctioned 300 games.

Eight-hundred honor scores were a family affair at Rushville Bowl until Bayless joined the exclusive company. Cousins **Ken Howard Jr.**, manager of Woodland Bowl in Indianapolis, and **Jim Ephlin Jr.**, Rushville Bowl owner, hold the other 800 series.

Howard, who has competed in the Monday Classic at Rushville Bowl the past several seasons, holds the record series of 842 at the 12-lane center. He shot it in February 1990. Ephlin had the second honor series, 802, on Feb. 2, 2002.

Ephlin's and Howard's fathers, along with the late **Jack Russell**, purchased Rushville Bowl one year after it opened in 1960. Four years later Ephlin and Howard bought out Russell. In 1980, Ephlin Sr. assumed sole ownership of the center. He ran it with Jim Jr. until his death in 1984. Jim Jr. has been the proprietor ever since.

"Our bowlers are very supportive of tournaments and leagues," Ephlin said. "We have 13 leagues, three on Monday evening. Ken Howard Jr. holds the second-highest average — 216.24 — among the 60 bowlers in the Monday Classic. Bayless has the fourth-highest average of 212.67."

Ephlin Jr. and **Tom Howard**, Ken Jr.'s brother, have been active in the Indiana High School Bowling Program. Ephlin has been commissioner of the Mid-Indiana Conference the past two years. Howard has been the Rushville High School boys coach. They'll reverse positions this season, which begins Dec. 1.

Ephlin also has become friends with Indianapolis' **Mike Aulby**, who last weekend announced this would be his final full-time season on the PBA tour.

"In 1985, an Indianapolis radio station (WFBQ) had a celebrity charity auction," Ephlin said. "One of the things to bid on was a day with Mike Aulby. I didn't know what it would cost, so I bid \$275. A girl also bid \$275, so the station had the two of us finish the bidding live on radio.

"The girl said \$300. I said \$310. She said \$325. In my toughest voice, I said \$350 and told the girl, 'You're gonna lose.' She quit bidding and I got to spend a day with Aulby. It was great. We bowled together at Expo Bowl (in Indianapolis) and he gave me a lesson, a shirt, an autographed ball, a bowling towel and a signed picture."

THE DAILY DOUBLE

OFF THE WIRE

Nalbandian ousts Roddick



Nalbandian celebrates victory over Roddick.

Top-ranked Andy Roddick was ousted by David Nalbandian 7-5, 7-6 Sunday in the semifinals of the Swiss Indoors at Basel, Switzerland.

Digners on top again

Kian Digners overcame a one-club Martin Schlegel to win the 2003 Open de France in Paris.

Women's Argentine David Nalbandian returned a shot to American Andy Roddick, making the top seed at the Swiss Indoors.

World Cup champion and reigning world championship gold medalist was ousted in six years.

It was the most significant win for Digners and Agreus, ranked seventh in the world, since capturing the world junior championship in 2002.

Sweden retains WBA title

Johnny Rowland (4-2, 20 knockouts) outpointed Darío Greenwell in a convincing third round, defending his World Boxing Association supermiddleweight title Friday night at Copenhagen, Denmark.

Photo finish in World Cup

Dominic's Kameron Dwyer won the inaugural World Cup by 0.01 seconds in a photo finish, when Canada's Sheraton of France finished at the finish of the 20-kilometer run at Vancouver, Canada.

Sprinter tests positive

Sprinter Cuba's Haywood, a gold medalist in the 100 meters at the Sydney Olympic Games, tested positive for cocaine.

U.S. seeks rare win

The United States will try to end a 16-year losing streak at the Rugby World Cup when it plays Japan on Monday at Yokohama, Japan.

Not trick boys Revolution

Scottie Pie Newman, who started at Indiana University, scored three goals at the New England Revolution.

Cohen wins 3rd GP

Scottie Cohen has found the success for winning Grand Prix events the steady state of his career.

German wins giant slalom

Germany's Matthias Erzl of Germany opened the World Cup alpine season by winning the giant slalom in Innsbruck, Austria, last Saturday.

Swiss wins giant slalom

Switzerland's Michael von Grubb won the giant slalom in Innsbruck, Austria, last Saturday.

Van Pelt (Chick) wins 1st GP

Van Pelt (Chick) won a 100-mile triathlon in the first of two triathlon events in the 2003 triathlon season.

NFL should change OT

By NFL, overtime rules just give the first overtime possession to the team whose offense had the most total yards of possession during the game.

Photo showed poor taste

I am writing to express my disappointment with the choice of photos selected for the front page of the Oct. 23 edition of The Indianapolis Star.

Red Sox show class

As a native New Englander and 27-year Red Sox fan, I take exceptional offense to the Oct. 23 article about the Red Sox sending to home more than 100 fans.

Cubs need new logo

Chicago teams rarely win. It takes a Billy Goat (Black Sox) (1919) (George Hall) and Mike C. (1905) (Sam Rice) to do it. Forget the Cubs and White Sox.



THEY SAID IT ... "There's no attraction that John Daly can't play ... it's categorically false he's entered rehab."

Just months ago for July 2003, in response to a question about that commissioner Tom Paolucci told Daly not to play the final two PGA Tour events, and that they intended to returning to alcohol rehab for the third time.

THE NEXT THREE GAMES...

Table listing college football games for COLLEGE, PACERS, BALL STATE, INDIANA, NOTRE DAME, PURDUE, and ICE.

TV AND RADIO

Table listing TV and radio broadcasts for TODAY, Bowling, Figure skating, Football, Golf, Hockey, and Soccer.

Singh likes how PGA Tour event is shaking out at Disney

From Star.com service: Tiger Singh is the best for the PGA Tour season. He's the only one who is a five-time for his best at the PGA Tour in Disney Springs.

Charles Schwab Cup: The Chicago program has been the best in the country. It's the only one that has won the Cup three times.

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Hoosier Digest: The Patrick Byrne-trained Paul Smith is the best in the world. He's the only one who is a five-time for his best at the PGA Tour in Disney Springs.

A Story of Community Service

Service comes in many different shapes and forms. As much as we enjoy telling a Story of Service for one of our US Military Veterans working at StoneBridge Trucking, today we are going to tell a Story of Community Service



This all started when a phone call from Bryan Robbins, Executive Director from Greensburg City Hall, reached out to StoneBridge getting our company information and point of contact for the emergency email chain and updates. StoneBridge Operations Manager and US Army Veteran Brad Stephens told Bryan at the end of our conversation StoneBridge would have trucks and vans available with drivers to donate and help in Greensburg and Decatur County. Bryan said he would pass it along to the Mayor and Board of Commissioners of Decatur County. StoneBridge received a phone call from Doug Smith with Decatur County Memorial Hospital asking if we could pick up nine beds from South Decatur High School on the 2nd of April and deliver them to Decatur County Memorial Hospital.



With masks and sanitizer in hand, Brad Stephens and his fiancé, StoneBridge Operator Angie May, worked directly with Doug Smith and the maintenance team of Decatur County Memorial along with Principal Jim Jameson of South Decatur JR/SR High School. Brad and Angie would make two separate runs to pick up the beds. Operators Ken Inscho and JD McClintic and would work to return the beds back to South Decatur a month later.

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Brad, Angie, and the StoneBridge team appreciated the opportunity. Brad expressed his appreciation of the opportunity.

"It was great to be able to help out the community where I grew up in, seeing people come together helping one another is awesome to see. I am happy that I was able to do a small part helping out getting the hospital beds from the school to the hospital, and ultimately to the people that needed them. As a company, it is important to give back to the community in which we live and work, donating our resources and time is very little compared to what some give every day! StoneBridge Trucking is always here for our community and our families to do whatever we can, Big or small, to help out when and if we are needed. Our thoughts and prayers go out to all that are affected and have lost during this dark time in our world".

Angie also had a few words of appreciation.

"It was very important to know that I could help our community during this time of crisis, however big or small that part was. It was such a great feeling to know that I could be a part of helping DCMH prepare for what might be coming their way. The folks at the hospitals are working so many hours, sacrificing time from their own families and placing themselves in potential danger being around those with Covid19 every single day. Delivering these hospital beds to DCMH was something that needed to be done and I'm very grateful that I was able to be a part of that."

A Story of Community Service



Decatur County Memorial Hospital



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Thank you to Decatur County Community Schools for allowing us to use 9 beds from your Health Careers program and to Stone Bridge Trucking for picking them u... See More

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**Montgomery
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StoneBridge Founder Gutch Kennedy

listens intently to his granddaughter Taylor.

A Story Of Service



**US NAVY VETERAN
Carroll Henneke**

Driver in the Spotlight



Behind the company are people. Know the people - Know the person - Know the company.

Monty Shields was born on May 28, 1955, in Seymour, Indiana. He is the proud son of father Oscar Hilton Montgomery "Big Monty" Shields and mother, Marianne Chandler Shields. He proudly tells his story of how his mother left Jeffersonville to move to Seymour.

When a person walks through the door at StoneBridge Trucking, there are many reasons they have visited. Most of the time, it is a StoneBridge Operator either returning from or about to embark on an expediting or dedicated journey for one of our valued customers. Other times a member of the community is visiting to inquire about our interest in participating in or sponsoring a local activity. Sales representatives are looking to help us advance our operation; at a "small cost," of course. But we often also receive visitors who are interested in applying to join our team. Some end up being a good fit for the StoneBridge Mission and Culture, others . . . not so much.

In May of 2018, StoneBridge CEO Shane Kennedy received a phone call from Justin McReynolds. *"Shane, I know a great guy looking for something that may work with his schedule. He is honest, dependable, trustworthy, and professional. He is also at a point in his life where he is committed to his family and wants to spend time with them and still wants to work. I told him about StoneBridge and to come to talk to you."* When Montgomery "Monty" Shields walked through the door on a warm day in May, an experienced professional was about to bring something extra to the StoneBridge Family.

"My Grandpa worked for the Pennsylvania Railroad in Jeffersonville. During the flood of 1937, water was up to the 2nd story of their house. Grandpa got a boat and rowed directly to the second floor of his house. Upon arrival, he loaded his wife (Grandma), his daughter (my mother), and his son in a rowboat. He rowed them to the elevated tracks, boarded a northbound train, and they departed for Seymour, Indiana."

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Driver in the Spotlight

His mother would eventually marry Big Monty, and they would proudly raise Little Monty and his two siblings. Graduating from Seymour High School in 1973, he immediately enrolled at Indiana State University to study music and be a band director. He played the Tuba, Baritone, and String Bass, but hasn't touched them for years. He eventually transitioned to a different path and went to work at the Terre Haute International Airport. It was here he joined Britt Airways in 1976. During his time there, their fleet would grow from five planes to 49. While at Britt, Monty was a licensed FAR 121 Aircraft Dispatcher and the Manager of Flight Dispatch. His choice to join Britt would be arguably the best decision of his life because there was someone special within the company.

"I was a product of internet dating before the internet. We had an airline computer system, primitive by today's standards, connecting all of our stations, including the Flight Dispatch and Reservations. I received a message from Reservations asking me to attend the Interline Club Halloween Party in Indianapolis."

A young lady named Kathy was trying to grow the group and invited Monty. He attended, and the rest is history.

"I came as a redneck. That night we danced to the Monster Mash and fell for her. The very next evening, I took her out to a friend's "wine and cheese" party.



Monty sets with his granddaughters (in no order), MacKenzie, Melanie, Josie, and Jaden.

In 1983 Monty proposed, and they were happily married on April 28, 1984. They would eventually become parents to three boys, Joey, Joshua, and Jacob. Britt Airways would experience some growing pains and sell out to People's Express. Monty saw the writing on the airport wall. Monty moved on to become manager of International Tours of Terre Haute in 1985. During his tenure he managed both offices, leisure, corporate and group travel. January of 1996 brought a new opportunity as Kathy moved to Batesville, Indiana, to work with Hillenbrand as a meeting coordinator. Monty remained behind with the boys to finish the school year. In June of '96, Monty left the agency and joined them.

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Monty and Kathy partake in family time with their son Jacob.

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"When we first moved to the area, we lived in a pop-up camper at Indian Lakes for 3 weeks. It was great until the bugs invaded. Monty laughed when saying, "Kathy was having nothing to do with bugs, and that was that. We found a home and set our roots in Greensburg, Kathy's hometown." With a young family and searching for a career, Monty worked part-time at Pizza King until he found an opportunity at Hillenbrand in the Travel Department. His experience in Flight Dispatch would not be lost for long. The Hillenbrand Corporate Airport hired him in January of 1997 as their Flight Dispatch manager. He would remain there until 2012 when Hillenbrand had to scale back its fleet, and the flight line was no longer a priority. Monty would spend time at the Batesville Casket company for a bit until he returned to the flight line in 2013 after it was purchased by a private entity. In 2015 he left and would spend time in sales at Defender Direct as and later become the manager of the Knights of Columbus in Batesville, leaving there and entering into semi-retirement to focus on family in 2018.

In May of 2018, Monty joined the Stone-Bridge team and has been a crucial part of its local operations team ever since. During the times when StoneBridge customers have a high demand for regional dedicated and expedited deliveries, the team and its fleet can be quickly depleted. But the need for local service remains. Monty has filled this void from day one and has proven to be an extremely dependable operator and professional. He enjoys the job and the flexibility it provides at this point in his life. "I appreciate the people at StoneBridge. They are real human beings. I also enjoy the job and getting to see different places.



Monty is committed to family at this point in his life. When looking at these 4 young ladies . . . who can blame him!

Monty's main focus in life is family. He is a proud husband to his wife, Kathy. Her career at the Batesville Casket Company is currently in full stride. His son Josh is the Executive Chef at the Sherman House and is happily married to his wife Megan. They have four children: Josie, Jaden, and the twins, MacKenzie and Melanie. His son Jacob works for Omara Foods and is focused on being a homeowner.

For many reasons, Monty is incredibly focused on his family. One reason is that he, his wife Kathy, and their two sons know that nothing in life is guaranteed. It can tragically be taken in an instant. In 2007, their oldest son Joey was killed in a car accident.

"It was Good Friday. They were traveling north of North Decatur High School when the accident occurred, and Joey was thrown from the car. My son taught me, his father, many life lessons. Importantly, he was very accepting of everyone. This was an important lesson he taught me. Many loved him due to the person he was and his character.

We all miss him very much."

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Monty and his wife Kathy spend time traveling with work, life, and family permit,



Pictured left to right: Joshua Shields and his wife Megan, Jacob Shields.

Former StoneBridge Operator Justin McReynolds had a close relationship with Joey and still has a relationship with Monty and the family. When asked to provide a quote for this article, he did so in the most genuine and loving way possible. There was no other way to summarize and end this *Driver in the Spotlight*.

"I have known Monty since my childhood days when his family lived down the street from me. Great human! When I was entering high school, I became really good friends with his son Joey, so I often ran into him. During my senior year, 2005, I was in a car accident in Batesville. I come to find out he (Monty) was responsible for directing the lifeline to rescue me. Although he did not know it was me at the time, and he was just doing his job as an air traffic controller, what he did just represents the type of man he is. Always willing to give a helping hand. Incredible guy. A couple years later, his son died in a car accident. His son and I were pretty good friends. I remember it to this day. I was in Terre Haute early in the morning with some friends. A call from "Shields Dad" came in. I was confused, so I answered and the words "Joey is no longer with us" came from his mouth. I was devastated. From that exact moment, Monty, Kathy, their other two sons Josh and Jake have become family to me. Over the next 13 or so years, we kept that bond intact and often get together. One day, Monty said he was looking for a post-retirement part-time gig. I was a driver for StoneBridge and thought he would be a perfect fit, so I referred him. A couple years later and he still enjoys driving. Words cannot describe the man Monty is and what his strength means to me."

~ Justin McReynolds – Former StoneBridge Operator

A STORY OF SERVICE

American
Veteran
Owned



American
Veteran
Driven

StoneBridge is proud of its commitment to the service of those who have served and serving. Our company is owned by veterans and is employed by many who have a history of service to their country.



Carroll
Henneke

President John F. Kennedy once stated,

“Any man who may be asked in this century what he did to make his life worthwhile . . . can respond with a good deal of pride and satisfaction, “I served in the United States Navy.”

Serving in the US Navy is something many today can take pride in. They show this pride in various forms. Whether it's marching in a Veterans Day parade, wearing a US Navy Veteran hat, or proudly displaying a US Navy flag, Navy Veterans are proud. They are not only honored to have served the greatest country in the world, but they are also pleased to have served their country as part of the world's greatest Navy.

StoneBridge Operator Carroll Henneke has a lot to be proud of. He is a proud husband, father, and a proudly retired DNR officer. Today Carroll works as part of the StoneBridge Operations team. Each day, when called upon, he dons a StoneBridge polo displaying “US Navy Veteran” on the sleeve.



Carroll Henneke grew up a farm boy in southern Indiana. After graduating from Jac-Cen-Del High School in 1962, he enrolled at Indiana University in 1963. Having enjoyed his time in Bloomington perhaps too much, he took a Cummins Engine job in 1964. Looking for a change, and being self-aware enough to understand that he needed structure and discipline in his young life, he took an oath and left for the US Navy in 1965.

“This was at the height of the cold war I knew I was going to be drafted. In my opinion, the Navy had the best schools. My uncle was a Navy Chief. Everything was leading me to join the Navy.”

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Carroll was home on leave in 1968.

Carroll is one of the most Selfless, Dedicated and Outstanding men I have ever had the pleasure to work with. Carroll is one of those that if you give him a job to do you know it will get done and done right. As a Veteran myself, I can attribute some of this to Carroll's service in the Navy.

Not only have I had the pleasure of working with Carroll, but I also have the honor to call him a Great Friend!

~ Brad Stephens, StoneBridge Ops Mgr

"They (the hangars) were so large, they had their own weather within them. It actually rained inside the hangars due to the clouds that formed in them. I was amazed and enjoyed studying the weather ironically at times within a hangar."

Like all enlistees who swear an oath to God, Country, and the US Navy, Carroll would attend boot camp at Naval Station Great Lakes in Illinois. ***"It was cold, frigid. Not sure I left during the best time to go to boot camp"***. He graduated in November of 1965 and reported to Quonset Point, Rhode Island, in December. It was here that he would wait to study to be an Aerographers Mate, otherwise known as a weatherman. While in waiting, he worked in the galley and as a lifeguard in special services. In 67', he finally got orders to Lakehurst, NJ, to attend Aerographer School (ANC). While calling Lakehurst home, he had some exciting experiences. It was here the Hindenburg was stored before it would eventually become part of history and crash. Carroll vividly remembers the hangars in which the Hindenburg was stored.

While in Lakehurst, he also explored another option, **BEING A NAVY SEAL**. At the time, the SEALs were referred to as the Underwater Demolition Team or "Frog Men." He passed all the physical qualifications due to the shape he was in but failed the medical portion. ***"Even at a young age, my hand shook, and it disqualified me. The doctor would not overlook it."***

Upon graduating from ANC school, Carroll had a choice to make on where he would like to go. He listed two polar opposite locations of preference: NAS Key West and NAS Kodiak. ***"I liked the beach, but I also grew up a farm boy and was consistently fishing and hunting. Alaska sounded like a place that I could enjoy myself."***

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In April of 1967, Seaman Henneke received orders. He was shipped to NAS Kodiak, Alaska, where he would eventually put on the rank of Petty Officer Second Class. During this time, the Cold War tensions were high. Unless you failed elementary geography, you know that Alaska is very close to Russia, separated by nothing more than the Bering Strait. It was here he would serve as a Nighttime Supervisor with daily 12 hour shifts. His unit was responsible for the forecasts for the Pacific Fleet and Aircraft. Every 12 hours, they had to plan for the worst. Given Alaska's proximity to Russia, his unit conducted Air & Surface Sounding by plotting and disseminating nuclear radiation fallout maps every 12 hours in the event an atomic strike took place.



This picture was taken at NAS Lakehurst, New Jersey. It was here that Seaman Henneke studied to be a Aerographers Mate.



NAS Kodiak is now a US Coast Guard Base.

In September of 1969, Carroll Henneke received an Honorable Discharge from the US Navy as a 2nd Class Petty Officer. To this day, he is honored to have served his country in the United States Navy and appreciates what the Navy did for him.

"The Navy matured me. I was a young kid on a bad path and desperately needed regimentation. Growing up in southeastern Indiana, my parents worked hard, and I pretty much did my own thing. When I joined the Navy, I was a "wild child," and I needed what the Navy had to offer. I would not trade my experience for anything."

As a retired Department of Natural Resources Officer, Carroll enjoys working with the StoneBridge Operations team. He enjoys the comradery in which he shares with other veterans at StoneBridge.

"Veterans have proven to be dependable people to hire. I love driving a StoneBridge Truck and how people react to our truck decals "American Veteran Owned – American Veteran Driven."


"This place has been a good fit for me, and I enjoy working here at this chapter in my life."


~ Carroll Henneke - StoneBridge Operations

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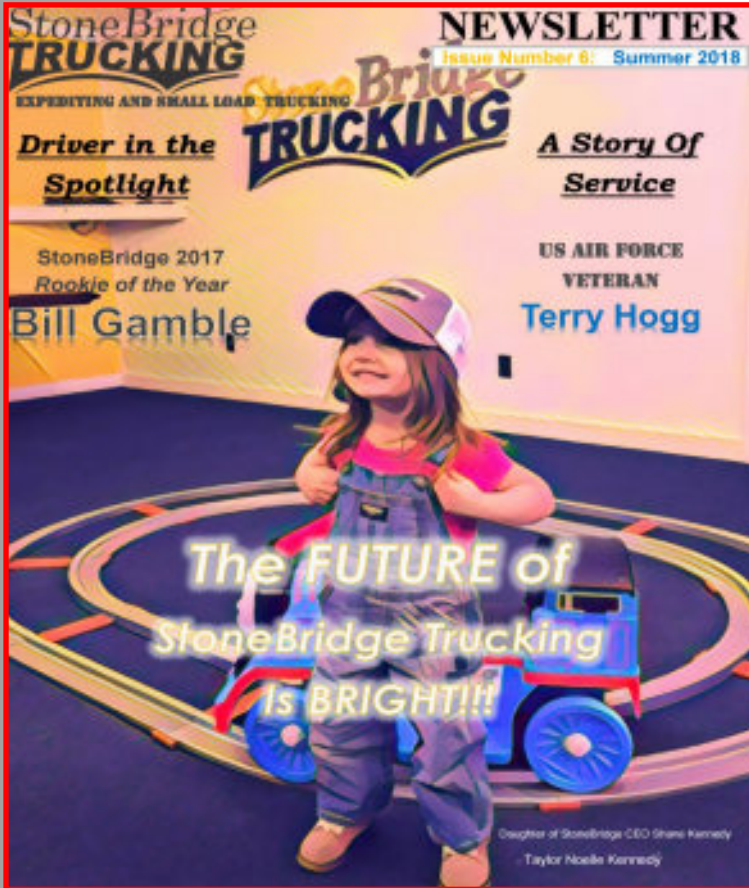
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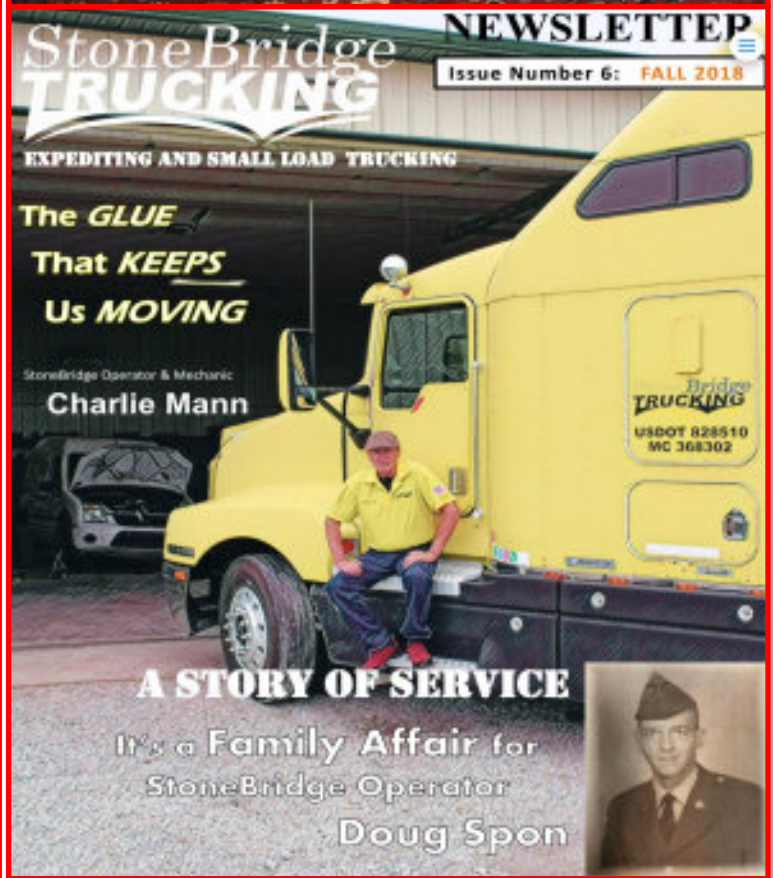
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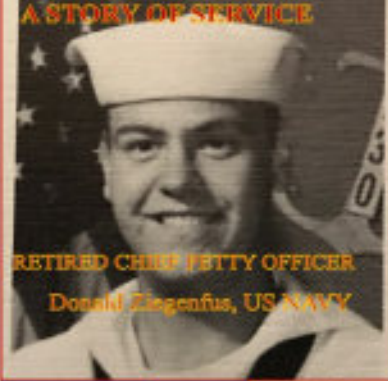
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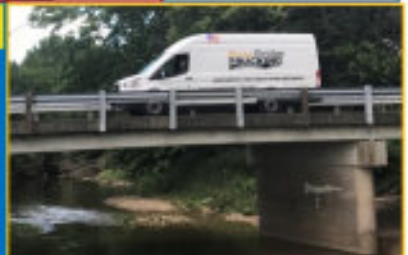
RETIRED CHIEF Petty Officer
Donald Eigenfus, US NAVY

"I can imagine no more rewarding career. And any man who may be asked in this century what he did to make his life worthwhile, I think can respond with a good deal of pride and satisfaction; I served in the United States Navy."

John F. Kennedy
35th U.S. President

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We are delighted to introduce this first edition of the StoneBridge Trucking Newsletter. We intend to make it a regular publication and use it to keep you in touch with news and developments related to StoneBridge Trucking, American Manufacturing, and our customers. With this, we hope that you will be willing to take **five** minutes to learn a little more about who we are, what we do, why we do it, and why you are important to us. Each issue will focus on those who make us successful, **OUR TEAM** and American Manufacturing.

— Shane Kennedy

"Manufacturing is more than just putting parts together. It's coming up with ideas, testing principles and perfecting the engineering as well as final assembly"

— James Dyson

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BUTCH KENNEDY
Founder

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Driver In The Spotlight

**HE FOUGHT,
HE'S FIGHTING,
HE'S WINNING!**

What StoneBridge Operator Dave Brown is thankful for!

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**Behind the company are people.
Know the people - Know the person -
Know the company.**

Justin McReynolds was born on September 16th, 1986. One of three children, he is the son of Karen and Jim McReynolds. Born and raised in Greensburg, IN, Justin had a normal childhood growing up. That is until tragedy struck his Senior year of high school. 2005 was a new year, and Spring was getting closer. The finish line of high school graduation was on Justin's calendar. But as the month of January was drawing to a close, tragedy was about to strike.

On a cold winter afternoon, Justin was a passenger in a car that was traveling outside of Batesville, IN close to Jawacdah Farms. The road was covered in snow when the two approached a 90-degree corner covered in snow. Justin doesn't remember anything after that. The car had gone down a 20ft embankment requiring Justin to be lifted out on a stretcher and life lined. After being stabilized at the hospital, Justin spent six weeks in a coma. The Glasgow coma scale provides a score in the range of 3-15; patients with scores of 3-8 are considered to be in a coma. Justin was at a 5.

Ironically, StoneBridge Operator Monty Shields was directly involved in the facilitation of the airlift and vividly recounted the entire incident along with his personal connection to Justin:

"I want to say it was in the winter of 2005, and I was working for Hillenbrand Industries as their Manager of Flight Dispatch at the Hillenbrand Airport. One of the managers at Jawacdah Farm, the Hillenbrand family, and the customer lodge called. There had been a serious wreck just south of them. A car had slid off the road and down a steep embankment.

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The job of a Logistics Dispatcher can be challenging and stressful. When a customer needs to ensure their customers are taken care of, StoneBridge Dispatch is the first person to be called when a problem has occurred in the "process". When this happens, the dispatcher becomes the bridge between a StoneBridge Operator, our customer, and theirs. It is essential to be calm under pressure and ready to deal with all the curveballs that are thrown during an expedite.

"Justin has done an outstanding job since starting his new role StoneBridge. Not only is he booking loads, but he is also driving and helping out with day to day operations. He is always looking for other ways to help StoneBridge grow!" ~ Brad Stephens

For the last year and a half, StoneBridge Operations Manager Brad Stephens has been wearing many hats. While overseeing the entire operation, he has been working diligently to uphold a high level of dispatch service to our team, along with our customers and theirs. With this, much growth has occurred, and evening relief was much needed. StoneBridge CEO Shane Kennedy saw this coming:

"It got to the point that it was unreasonable to expect Brad to have the phone 24/7. It would eventually make him ineffective in his role if he didn't have someone who could consistently provide weekend and evening relief. I knew it was time to find someone for this important role. Justin was always our first choice based on everything he has given and has to offer."

Moonlighting at StoneBridge



Justin with his wife Lindsey and their children Karigan (left), Alana (middle), and Kaden (right).

She said there was a young man trapped, that EMS was working on extracting him and had already called in a Lifeline chopper. "It doesn't look good."

She was notifying us so I could help provide separation with any of our jets that might be in the area as the chopper would be passing through our normal flight path and almost over the airport to get to the scene. She said the victim was from Greensburg, likely in high school, and wondered if I knew him. When she said his name was Justin McReynolds my heart stopped. "J" had been to our house several times and was a close friend of my oldest son Joey. In fact, Joey spent almost every day visiting Justin in Cincinnati while he was in a coma - I think this lasted two months or so. We were so happy (and relieved) when Joey came home to tell us "J" was awake. Since Joey died (2007), we have remained very close with Justin, Lindsey, and their family. In fact, it was "J" that referred me to StoneBridge Trucking. He's grown up and become quite the good man and father (don't tell him I told you so)."
~Monty Shields

Justin would work through recovery and eventually regain a healthy life. With this, he still experienced his struggles as a result of the life-changing accident. He was not proud of his path, **but somebody extremely important came into his life in 2014 that would reset his path.**

"I met my wife Lindsey in 2014. She is one of the strongest women I have ever met. I met her at the right time. I have no idea where I would be without her".

The two eventually married in 2016 and are raising a family of three together. Their children Karigan (15), Kaden (13), and Alana (5), share a strong bond. Given their ages, life is always busy, and Justin and Lindsey make an excellent team.

Professionally, Justin spent time with Adessa and Honda before joining AVI nearly ten years ago. Having flexibility in the evening, Justin joined StoneBridge part-time in 2017 and worked a couple of years as an evening expeditor. With this, Justin didn't only drive. From day one, he has always shown an additional level of commitment to the StoneBridge Vision and Future:

"It was clear that Justin didn't see us as a part-time job. He has always been committed to the process, the growth, the vision, and our family. He has introduced us to additional customers and referred many additional drivers who have proven themselves as valuable members of our team. Based on this level of commitment, Brad and I found him to be a perfect candidate for the evening dispatch role." ~ Shane Kennedy

In August, Justin assumed this role for two evenings a week and two weekends a month. He has shown a commitment to grow in his position and his bright future, **"Moonlighting with StoneBridge."** An avid Colts fan, he is a 15yr season ticket holder and values time with his family. He has enjoyed being a member of the StoneBridge team:

"I enjoy the flexibility, the customers, the team, and the overall vision of the company. I am excited about my future here. The additional income on a part-time basis has helped my family."

A STORY OF SERVICE



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StoneBridge is proud of its commitment to the service of those who have served and serving. Our company is owned by veterans and is employed by many who have a history of service to their country.



When Bob King joined StoneBridge Trucking in 2018, he hit the ground running. There wasn't very much grass growing under his feet when he was asked to jump in a cargo van and head to Michigan for a hot-shot load for one of StoneBridge's top customers. Along with this, winter had begun in Indiana, which meant it had established itself in Michigan. Unfortunately, Bob hit the road so fast that a few key details of his past were missed. Bob was a US Navy Veteran and had proudly served in the 1960s. This significant detail went undisclosed for quite some time. Luckily today, his proud story will no longer be private. Thanks to Bob, these interesting years have been divulged for the StoneBridge family and their customers to enjoy and appreciate.

In the Spring of 1964, Bob was about to graduate from high school and was not focused on college. The son of Roy & Dorothy "Dot" King he was born and raised in Oldenburg, IN. Sharing a home with two brothers and a sister, he was ready to move on with his life after high school. While interested in the prospects of getting his education, he fought with the same reservations many face when entering the real world as a teenager.

"I considered college but wasn't interested in it at that point in my life. My older brother was a Navy Veteran, and I felt this was a better option for me."



Bob King enlisted in June 1964.

In June 1964, Seaman Robert King enlisted as a Boatswain Mate. He attended boot camp at Naval Station Great Lakes as a member of Company 252, which would receive recognition as the Color Company. After graduating from boot camp, he was stationed in Norfolk, VA with the Nuclear Weapons Training Center as a communications carrier. In September of 65, after one year on dry land, he boarded the USS Nimble in Charleston, SC. Upon assuming his duties on the ship, he learned the Nimble would have a 6-month deployment to the Mediterranean and eventually take port in Naples and Barcelona.



Commissioned USS Nimble - 1955

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While in Barcelona, the mission of the USS Nimble would take a turn when a US Air Force refueling mission would go array.

"The Nimble was a minesweeper. Our sole purpose was to protect the fleet. The Air Force had a refueling mission that resulted in a crash in which a nuclear weapon was aboard the plane that crashed".

While this info certainly will cause one to raise a brow in interest, what was disclosed next would allow this particular story to resonate with many around the world.

Why?

Because they either read the book or watched the movie!



In 2000, the mission that Bob King was a part of was depicted in the Hollywood Blockbuster **"Men of Honor"** starring Cuba Gooding Jr. and Robert Dinero. In one scene, Cuba Gooding Jr's character was a Navy Diver in search of the lost nuclear warhead.

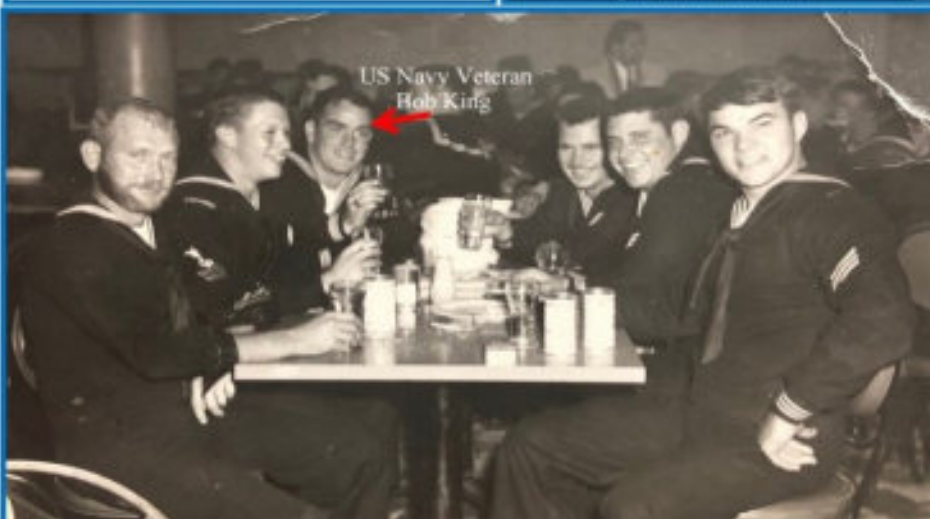


While Bob was not granted a cameo in the movie, he certainly remembers the mission vividly and is proud of his service during it. Along with his time in the Mediterranean, he also spent time in other global locations, including Naples, Barcelona, and Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

After receiving an Honorable Discharge from the Navy in September of 1967, Bob returned to Oldenburg and eventually landed with StoneBridge Trucking. He sees a connection between his Naval service and those that work at StoneBridge. "I loved the travel and friendships in the military. Today I get to work with many fellow veterans at StoneBridge and enjoy hearing their stories". "I also appreciate how people treat us when they read the back of our fleet vehicles". The straight trucks and vans in the StoneBridge Fleet read **"American Veteran Owned – American Veteran Driven."**

Because of veterans like Bob King, we are

American Veteran Driven.





The NEW Glue

JD McClintic was born in Greensburg, IN in 1989. Son to John McClintic and Ruthy Tuley, he has three siblings and is a loving father to his daughter Chevy.

After graduating from Greensburg High School in 2007, JD worked many different jobs but ALWAYS had an interest in working on cars

“At the age of 14, I started working on cars. I had a 74’ Chevelle. I sold it and bought a 72’ at the time. It was my first legal car that I was driving around then despite my age. Ever since, it has been my hobby. It was something I enjoyed doing with my grandpa and my father.”

Every now and then someone will walk through the StoneBridge door looking for an opportunity. We pride ourselves in treating everyone equally when evaluating whether they will be a good fit for the StoneBridge culture. But sometimes that person is bringing a little extra to the table that is deep rooted in the history of StoneBridge Trucking.

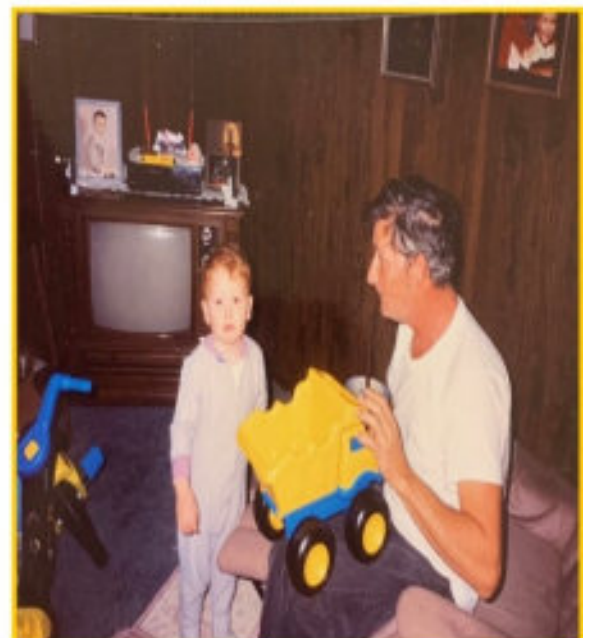
In the Spring of 2018, JD McClintic walked into StoneBridge looking for an opportunity. After working through his application and a brief discussion, he mentioned

“ My grandpa was Pete Tuley”.

At that moment, we knew we had a StoneBridge Legacy in our presence. For approximately 7 years, Pete was the StoneBridge mechanic and worked directly for StoneBridge Founder, Butch Kennedy. Butch's feelings towards Pete as a person and member of StoneBridge were profound:

“Pete was more than our mechanic, he was family.”

In the Spring of 2008, StoneBridge lost a member of its family when Pete lost his battle with cancer. JD McClintic was just a teenager at the time.



JD pictured with his grandpa Pete Tuley. Pete was adored by his entire family and everyone who knew him.

That KEEPS us Moving

JD's relationship with his Dad and Grandpa installed his foundation and interest in cars.

"They taught me the basics and I took it from there. I now utilize YouTube quite often, but am genuinely appreciative for Doug and Charlie's help."

YouTube may be something he uses by himself. But he does have a wealth of experience around to support him. After proving himself in a truck for 5 months, JD was offered the job as the lead mechanic when Charlie Mann (featured in the Fall 2018 issue), decided he was ready to relocate to Florida. Charlie agreed to stay on as a consultant.

JD will often conference Charlie into phone calls when drivers are on the road experiencing issues that JD cannot address directly. Doug Spon has 40 years of experience and will work directly with JD on site as he works to actually address and fix problems in the shop.

Prior to coming to StoneBridge in 2018, JD had a history of working there while in high-school.

"In 2005 & 2006, I spent time here washing trucks with grandpa. I actually already had my "For Hire" license because of this."

Over the past year, JD has worked extremely hard and has undoubtedly filled the shoes and upheld the standard set by his grandfather. Being the mechanic at StoneBridge is not easy. The company is still growing, it is utilizing more trucks than ever, and it is in transition to a new location. Being flexible is paramount in these times. On top of this



JD pictured with his daughter Chevy. She is set to turn 10 in September.

JD is often asked to drop everything, jump in a truck, and complete a load. StoneBridge Operations MGR Brad Stephens relies on him heavily:

"JD has been wonderful to work with. Without him, things would honestly fall apart, literally and figuratively."

Despite the stress involved in JD's role as "The NEW Glue" he enjoys the job.

"I have a lot of freedom at StoneBridge. It is challenging but extremely laid back. I enjoy it."

Outside of keeping the fleet moving, and being a father, JD is known in certain Greensburg establishments to have excellent vocals for the karaoke scene. He stays active playing basketball and enjoys the art of tattoos. **We will save those for another issue.**

A STORY OF SERVICE



US Navy Veteran Bill Pike

He was chosen to become an Aircrew Survival Technician / Parachute Rigger. After attending boot camp in San Diego, CA, he immediately transferred to Lake Hurst, NJ.

It was here that he would spend four months training in "A" school. He graduated top 3 in his class and was awarded top choice of his orders. During his first enlistment, he opted to join an E-2 Hawkeye Surveillance Squadron in Miramar, CA. It was here that he would spend 3 ½ years with VAW-114 where his squadron was attached to the USS Carl Vinson (CVN-70) in Alameda, CA.

This squadron would later be attached to the USS Kitty Hawk (CV-63) in which he had the opportunity to bring around the southern horn. During his 3.5 years of service, he had approximately one year at sea and visited 13 countries.

Each day, the residents of Shelby County entrust the lives of their children to Bill Pike. Bill Pike is a school bus operator who spends his Summer breaks, Fall breaks, Christmas breaks, and Spring breaks driving for StoneBridge Trucking. He is a seasonal driver for StoneBridge, but a full-time member of our family.

Before pursuing a career with a Commercial Driver's License, he had a history of service to his country.

Billy Joe Pike Jr. was born and raised in Evansville, Indiana. In 1988 he graduated from F.J. Reitz High School. After graduation, there were no plans for college, and his future was uncertain. Given that his father had served in the Army Special Forces, he decided to join the Navy and in June 1988, he took the oath to uphold the US Constitution.

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In addition to this, he served on 3 separate deployments to Panama in Central America (Howard Air Force Base), working as a joint exercise drug interdiction Navy, DEA, Coast Guard & Air Force. Bill Pike's service earned him many service awards including the Sea Service, Expeditionary Medal, Good Conduct Medal, Coast Guard Special Ops, Battle "E," Joint Meritorious Citation, and Pistol Expert. In 1992, he re-enlisted and attended military instructor school in San Diego, CA. From San Diego, he received orders to Naval Aviation Schools Command (NASC) in Pensacola, FL. as a water survival instructor teaching and training aircrew members, while becoming a water rescue swimmer and lead equipment specialist in his command.

In December 1995 he received an **Honorable Discharge** and attended Northwest Florida State College where he graduated from and chose a career in Law Enforcement where he served in Florida and Indiana.



"I thoroughly enjoy working at Stone-Bridge. The camaraderie with the other veterans and operators along with the strong leadership within the organization closely mirrors my experience and memories of serving in the US Navy."

~ Bill Pike



Bill pictured with his wife Adriel and two sons, Sean & Seth.

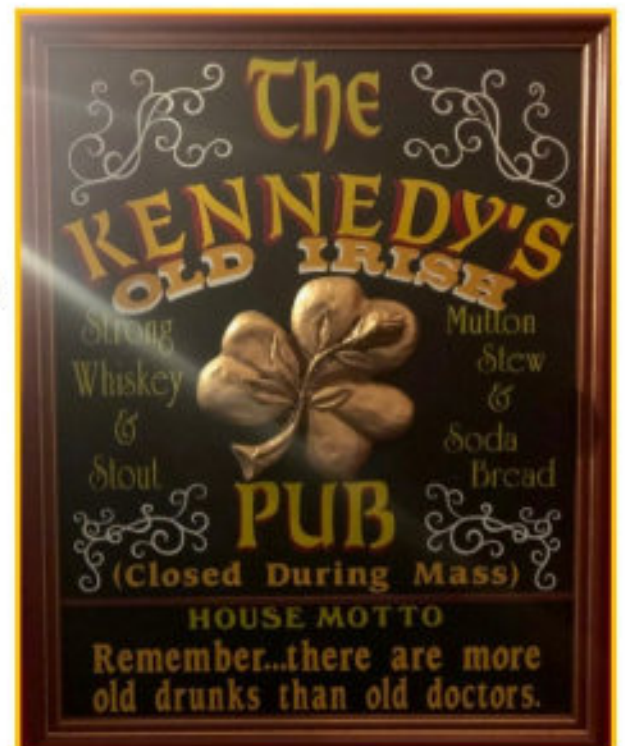
KENNEDY'S IRISH PUB



Before StoneBridge Trucking ever was a thought, StoneBridge Antiques was a strong staple of the Greensburg square. StoneBridge Antiques will never be referenced in the same sentence as Storie's Restaurant, but for many years in the early nineties, StoneBridge Antiques was located on the square and was an excellent visitor spot to those enjoying the day seeing what Greensburg had to offer. Over time, StoneBridge Antique's would grow and expand, requiring it to relocate to what would eventually become StoneBridge Trucking. StoneBridge Antique Mall would thrive, but Butch Kennedy had other ideas for how to utilize his time and the facility. For years, he simultaneously ran StoneBridge Trucking out of the Antique Mall, which certainly was a challenge. Over time, he faded out StoneBridge Antiques to focus on StoneBridge Trucking.

But not all the antiques are gone. To this day, there are still items for sell

EXCEPT ONE.



KENNEDY'S IRISH PUB

Now, one question you may be asking is,

“How in the world is President Abraham Lincoln ALLEGED” to be connected to StoneBridge Trucking”?

Well, here it goes



StoneBridge Founder Butch Kennedy stands with his nephew in the 80's in his sister's garage that was home to the Lincoln bar for many years.



Located at the back of StoneBridge Trucking is the Kennedy's Irish Pub. While much “history” has been created within the pub (just ask and we have probably forgotten everything), the actual bar itself is an antique

that we believe may have been in the presence of the 16th President of the United States. The actual bar located in Kennedy's Pub dates back the mid 1800's when it was located within the Bates House in Indianapolis. During this time, President Lincoln stopped at the Bates House and spoke in route to his inauguration. Later, a reception was held for the President. If you have ever been to a reception, the likelihood that alcohol was served from a bar is high, and we believe this bar could have very likely been a part of that very reception (please see article provided). The Bates House would eventually be made a parking lot and the bar would be purchased and relocated to Greensburg, IN. It moved around for a bit when it finally found itself in the garage of Butch Kennedy's sister, Pat Wic. For years, Pat and her husband would host many people. In the mid 90's, Pat decided to list it for sell at the StoneBridge Antique Mall. Quickly, Butch decided to purchase it from her, and it has remained in the rear of StoneBridge Antiques until Butch had an idea that would change StoneBridge forever.



“Shane had just left for the military and had been stationed in Germany. He was coming home that Christmas and I was so excited to have built a pub around the bar. Ever since December 2000, it has been our favorite spot to converse, talk life and talk business. Some of which we can actually recall.”

~ Butch Kennedy - Founder of StoneBridge Trucking



Bates House balcony where Lincoln spoke in 1861

Tom Keating

120 years ago today Abe stopped here on way to inauguration

ONE HUNDRED and 20 years ago today, Abraham Lincoln spent part of his 52nd birthday in Indianapolis trying to avoid the Indiana legislature.

Lincoln had just been elected President of the United States and was en route from Springfield, Ill. to Washington D.C. to be inaugurated.

By all accounts at the time, Lincoln's birthday celebration was subdued. The Union was about to divide



and there was much on his mind.

The President-elect left Springfield by train on the 11th and was met at the Indiana state line by a welcoming committee from the Indiana legislature. It was a delegation Lincoln did not expect.

THE TRIP from the state line to Indianapolis turned out to be something of an ordeal. At every stop along the old Indianapolis, Cincinnati and Lafayette Railroad line, townspeople gathered and hollered for Lincoln to appear on the flag-

draped rear platform and deliver a speech.

At one point, Lincoln was in the midst of telling a story to the crowd at Thorntown when the train suddenly pulled away. When the train stopped next at Lebanon, several persons in the crowd claimed they had ridden horses from Thorntown, so Lincoln finished the story.

When the train arrived in Indianapolis about 5 p.m. to the sounds of a 34-gun salute (one gun for each of the 34 states then in the Union), Lincoln was met by Gov. Oliver P. Morton.

LINCOLN MADE a few remarks and was whisked off at the head of a parade through downtown Indianapolis. The parade ended at the Bates House, a hotel located on the north side of Washington Street, just west of Illinois Street.

This is where the Claypool Hotel later stood. The site is now a parking lot.

At twilight, Lincoln spoke briefly from a second floor Bates House balcony that faced south. The balcony where he stood was later purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Urban Charles Brenner and attached for years to their home at 1306 North Park Avenue.

That night a reception was held for the next president and his family in the Bates House drawing rooms.

THE NEXT morning, the 12th, Lincoln was scheduled to visit the legislature after breakfast with Gov. Morton.

Perhaps because it was his birthday or maybe because he was simply tired of talking, Lincoln ducked out on the meeting while Indiana's lawmakers waited at the Statehouse.

Before leaving Indianapolis, Lincoln was called to the balcony one more time.

While waving to the crowd, some people began hollering for Lincoln's son, Bob, to appear on the balcony and say a few words.

According to the Indianapolis Journal of Feb. 13, 1861, Lincoln shook his head and said, "My boy Bob has not yet acquired the habit of making public speeches. You will please excuse him."

The President-elect boarded his train and left for his next stop, Cincinnati, about 11 a.m.

Indianapolis residents would not see Lincoln alive again. On April 30, 1865, two weeks after he was assassinated, his funeral train stopped in this city on its way to Springfield.

Lincoln's body was placed in the Indiana State Capitol Building from 8 a.m. to midnight on a gloomy Sunday while thousands of citizens filed by to pay their last respects.

A STORY OF SERVICE

Each time I write a story of service about a member of the StoneBridge team, I am always excited to tell a story that they themselves may not tell. When doing so, I get to learn about a past that I wouldn't ordinarily get a glimpse into. If I do my job right, I will tell the story correctly allowing the veteran to be proud to share it. I am often met with reluctance when asking members of our team to share their military experience, but they are happy to share it once the story is written.

Over the past two years, I have shared many stories of our veterans and each one has been unique. No story is the same. Today I myself have the same feeling of reluctance when writing, but am both proud and humbled of my last 20 years in the US military.



Capt Shane Kennedy was honored to speak at MACS Chad Lewis retirement ceremony aboard the USS Yorktown in Charleston, SC



Pvt Shane Kennedy poses with two fellow trainees before graduating from Basic Training in 1999.

July 26th, 1999 was one of the hardest days of my life. This was the day I officially enlisted in the US Army and would leave the only life I had known for 18 years. I completed my US Army basic training at Ft. Jackson, SC and would go to school Quartermaster School at Ft. Lee Virginia to become an Automated Logistical Specialist. While at Ft. Lee, Virginia, I received orders to go Germany. I was both scared and excited. The Army was really giving me a chance to see the world.

Getting stationed in Europe was one of the best educational experiences of my life. Being from Westport, IN, I was naïve that there was an entire world out there that thought and lived differently than I did. The US Army gave me an education that opened my mind up to the world.

While stationed in Germany, an event happened that forced me to understand why I was wearing the uniform. It wasn't just to see the world. It wasn't just to get money for college. It wasn't simply to have a career and gain a skillset. While I had an agenda when joining, and I had a list of goals I hoped to achieve while serving, I never envisioned spending a career doing so. But, things changed. On September 11th, 2001, I finally realized what serving in the military really meant. Like everyone who experienced that day, I WAS SCARED. I was 20 years old and had no idea what my future would look like, and really didn't understand why 9/11 was happening. What I did know was there was a job to do, and that's why people ultimately join the US military. 9/11 taught me that.

For the next two years, my unit was preparing to be deployed. I had been promoted to Sergeant and my responsibilities were growing. In the Fall of 2002, we learned we would be deployed to Iskenderun, Turkey to support the 4th ID through northern Iraq. While in Turkey, this mission was altered and we spent some time at the Incirlik, AFB. I was set to be honorably discharged in a couple months and was focused on going to Indiana University that summer. But, I saw some off duty military personnel on base wearing Indiana University and Indiana State t-shirts. After striking up a conversation, they let me know about the 181st Fighter Wing. It was a unit in Terre Haute that was part of the Indiana Air National Guard. After learning I could continue serving part-time and go to college, I was committed to continuing my career. I was honorably discharged from the US Army in May 2003 and proudly reenlisted in the Indiana Air National Guard in June 2003.

A STORY OF SERVICE

Joining the Indiana Air National Guard was a great decision. I chose a path in Information Technology to learn a new skill and got to spend 4 months at Keesler AFB in Biloxi, MS. I started at Indiana University in January 2004 and continued my career in Terre Haute for the next 5 years. After graduating from IU in 2007, I had a very specific goal I wanted to achieve. I had always wanted to receive a commission in the US military so I could serve as a Commissioned Officer.

At the time, the opportunities for a commission in the Air National Guard were few and far between. I was frustrated because I had put in the work, put in the time, and the opportunities weren't there. I liked the Air Force, but I chose to once again to look for a branch that would give me the opportunity I had worked hard for.

THE US NAVY RESERVE GAVE ME THAT OPPORTUNITY. On 15 October, 2008, I received one of the biggest honors of my life when I became an Ensign in the US Navy Reserve. After 3 years of serving in the Navy Reserves, I had an opportunity to take active duty orders for recruiting duty. It was a great fit, because I would be able to simultaneously work through law school at the Indiana University School of Law Indianapolis in the evening.

Recruiting duty exposed me to many opportunities and many wonderful people. A close friend I recruited has since been elected to Congress. Little did I know that Governor Pence would eventually become the Vice President of the United States. I was honored when he awarded me with the Distinguished Hoosier Award while on recruiting duty.



LT Kennedy commissioned his close friend Luke Bielawski as a Navy Fighter Pilot in the office of Governor Mike Pence



LT Kennedy was awarded the Distinguished Hoosier Award by Governor Mike Pence for his recruiting efforts in Indiana.



SSgt Shane Kennedy poses for a picture with his future wife Ashlee and the Air Force Ball in 2008.



Shane and Ashlee were married on October 11th, 2014.

"I can imagine no more rewarding a career. And any man who may be asked in this century what he did to make his life worthwhile, I think can respond with a good deal of pride and satisfaction, 'I served in the United States Navy'".

- President John F Kennedy

A STORY OF SERVICE

Like my dilemma while serving in the Air National Guard, last year I was presented with big decision, simply retire from the US Navy, or continue on my career in the US Air Force Reserve where the opportunity to continue my career was given. Once again, I was blessed and humbled to get this opportunity. On 3 October, 2018, I swore into the US Air Force Reserve at Grissom AFB, Bunker Hill, Indiana.

Today, I am proudly serving as a Logistics Readiness Officer with the 49th Aerial Port Squadron. I honored to be featured recently on their website (see below). After 20 years, I still have the support of my wife to continue my military career. Working for StoneBridge Trucking full-time and serving my country in the US Air Force Reserves is both humbling and rewarding.



Capt. Shane Paul Kennedy will be overseeing the day-to-day operations for the squadron.

Kennedy, a native of Greensburg, Indiana, brings 19 years of experience after serving as an enlisted member in the Army and Air National Guard and as an officer in the Navy Reserve.

"Serving in the different branches, I've learned how to speak the different languages," said Kennedy. "Each branch has its own acronyms; they do things a little bit different. All three branches in their own right have prepared me for this opportunity."


Kennedy draws from his enlisted experience when making decisions as an officer and while running his family's trucking company.

"Based on my short time here, it's clear that the 49th has experienced and is experiencing significant growth," Kennedy said. "With this growth comes more opportunities for leadership, more opportunities for worldwide support and responsibility for the careers of our Airmen."

Kennedy's goal for the 49th is to consistently evolve with the mission in correlation with the growth of the unit, which recently grew from a flight to a squadron.

The 434th ARW is the largest [KC-135R Stratotanker](#) unit in the [Air Force Reserve Command](#). The Citizen Airmen from the Hoosier Wing routinely deploy around the world in support of the Air Force mission.

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49th APS welcomes new operations officer

By Staff Sgt. Chris Massey, 434th Air Refueling Wing Public Affairs / Published January 11, 2019





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U.S. Air Force Capt. Shane Paul Kennedy, 49th Aerial Port Squadron operations officer, poses for a photo in front of a unit flag at Grissom Air Reserve Base, Ind., Jan. 6, 2018. Kennedy recently joined the 49th APS after serving in the Army, Air National Guard and Navy Reserve. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Chris Massey)

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GRISSOM AIR RESERVE BASE, Ind. -- The 49th Aerial Port Squadron recently welcomed a new operations officer to their ranks.

A StoneBridge Christmas

On Saturday, December 1st 2018, over 95 people took time out of their busy schedules to be a part of our family, if only for a few hours. Some only had a few minutes to stop in and say hello, some spent the evening. Some traveled over an hour to attend, others less than 5 minutes. Those in attendance were valued customers, members of the StoneBridge team, or friends of the company. Some of them knew each other, many had never met. This night they all shared one thing in common, they were all part of the StoneBridge Family!

During the cocktail hour, conversations were struck amongst friends, and new relationships were forged. Home Alone was on at all times so the kids could enjoy one of the great holiday movies while other TV's were focused on College Football Bowl Championship games. The photo area for StoneBridge Christmas photos was a hit. Whether it was a couple's night out, or a family affair, many were taking a picture to frame the evening in time. The party was only beginning when a very special Christmas icon made an appearance. To much of the surprise of all of the kids (and some adults), Santa Claus *"Was Comin to StoneBridge"* and posed with everyone who requested time with St. Nick.

As the evening progressed, Kathy Wintz Catering provided one of the best meals a family could ask for. As always, the compliments for the quality of the food, along with midwestern touch associated, left many feeling satisfied and appreciative.

After dinner, the StoneBridge Presentation took place when StoneBridge CEO Shane Kennedy took a few moments to recognize each StoneBridge Operator amongst their peers, valued customers, family, and friends.



"It is and always has been important to ensure that our customers know and understand exactly who our drivers are. If they know the person, they know the people, they know the company. By doing so, they not only know what we do, but WHY we do it.

What better time is there to bring our customers and drivers together for an evening of fellowship and conversation, where quotas and timeframes don't have to be met by either?

Christmas is the perfect time for this occasion, and we work hard to see the StoneBridge Christmas Party bridges that gap. I am extremely proud of this and when as many people take the time to attend as did this year, I am beyond appreciative."

~ Shane Kennedy, StoneBridge CEO

A StoneBridge Christmas

This year's presentation was a little bit different. There were more drivers to recognize, more customers to acknowledge, more gifts of appreciation to extend, and this year, there WERE TWO SPECIAL PEOPLE WHO WOULD BE SURPRISED.

StoneBridge Jackets are presented to operators who are within their first year and attending their first Christmas Party. StoneBridge Duffle Bags are presented to 2nd year Operators. For drivers attending their 3rd Christmas Party, custom shoulder bags were presented.

After all operators were recognized, the StoneBridge Awards were presented. Louise Kinker and Bill Fields received the "StoneBridge Legacy Award" for their past dedicated service to StoneBridge. Danny Dwiggins was honored as the StoneBridge Trucking "Rookie of the Year". Taking home the Top Award was Operator Terry Hogg as the "StoneBridge Driver of the Year".



Prior to the presentation, Santa Claus presented StoneBridge Founder Butch Kennedy with a large candy cane.



Cody Olinger receives his first StoneBridge Jacket.



The StoneBridge Duffle Bag is embroidered with the Logo, American Flag, Operator's name, and branch of military service.



Forrest Sandefur receives his first StoneBridge shoulder bag.

A StoneBridge Christmas

StoneBridge Trucking

◆◆◆**2018 Awards**◆◆◆

◆◆***Driver of the Year***◆◆

Terry Hogg



Terry Hogg was the StoneBridge "Driver of the Year" for 2018.

◆◆***Rookie of the Year***◆◆

Danny Dwiggins

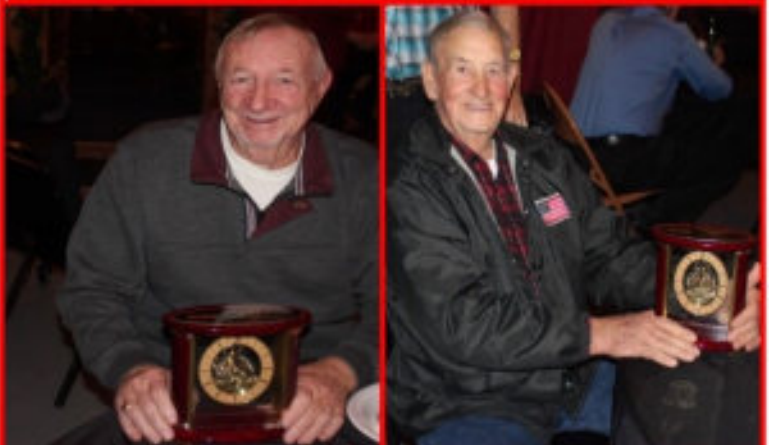


Danny Dwiggins embraces Shane Kennedy while being recognized as the StoneBridge "Rookie of the Year" for 2018.

◆◆◆***Legacy Award***◆◆◆

Bill Fields

Louie Kinker



Bill Fields (left) and Louie Kinker (right) were the 2018 recipients of the StoneBridge "Legacy" Award.

Christmas with StoneBridge

THE **STONEBRIDGE** JACKET

When the jackets were presented to the StoneBridge Team, it was explained how each jacket told a story about each Operator. For US Military Veterans, the branch of service the operator served is displayed on the back collar of their jacket. Along with their military service history being recognized, it was important that their length of time at StoneBridge also be acknowledged. Inspired by the service stripes displayed on an Army Class A uniform, stripes will also be found on the right arm of the operator's jacket. One stripe will be displayed upon completion of their first year. Two stripes after a total of three years with an additional stripe added every three years after.



Bob King receives his first StoneBridge Jacket. Bob, a US Navy Veteran, has "US NAVY" displayed on the back collar of his jacket.



Doug Spon was thrilled to receive his first StoneBridge duffel bag from his grandson.



As the evening wound down, The StoneBridge Pub proved to be the place for the after party!

A 16 year tradition of wearing "Crazy Hats" was continued.



Christmas with StoneBridge



Pictured left: Ben Yudes poses with his fiancé Madia



Pictured below: StoneBridge Founder Butch Kennedy was in the Christmas Spirit.



Pictured above: Garry Hadler had a lot of requests for Santa. Pictured left: BOTTOM— Fun at Kennedy's Old Irish Pub

Christmas with StoneBridge



Joseph Ross peers through the pane glass contemplating whether he has been naughty or nice in 2018.



"The Voice of StoneBridge" Brad Stephens with his girlfriend Angie. The entire Stephens Family was crucial to the success of the evening.



Taylor Kennedy, daughter of Shane Kennedy, was reluctant to visit Santa.



When the presentation was over—the party Started.



Jess and Cindy Moton have always been close friends to the Kennedy Family.

Christmas with StoneBridge

Pictured right and below:
Over 95 StoneBridge friends and family attended as the Stone-Bridge Team was recognized and 2018 awards were announced.



Santa Claus was happy to pose with Taylor Kennedy, Joe & Jack Ross.



Marcia Trepanier and her husband pose for a Christmas photo.



The Amberger Family pose for a timeless photo.

Christmas with StoneBridge

Pictured left: Butch Kennedy with his granddaughters Taylor and Monroe Kennedy.



Pictured above: Fred Banks with his wife. Pictured left: TOP—Ashlee Kennedy surprised by Santa. BOTTOM— Doug Spon and his Wife Wanda pose with their son John and his wife Connie (mother of Shane Kennedy).

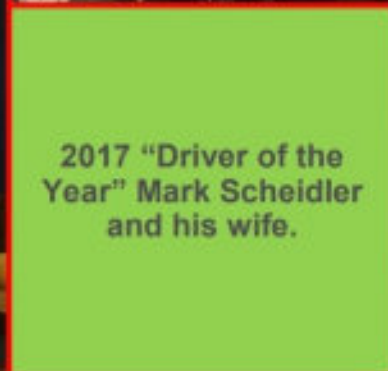
Christmas with StoneBridge

Pictured right:
Don and Cheryl
Borman always
take the time to
spend the evening
with
StoneBridge.

Below:
2017 "Legacy"
award winner For-
rest Sandefur and
his wife.



Denny Moeller and
his wife attended
for the first time.



2017 "Driver of the
Year" Mark Scheidler
and his wife.



Story of Service

TREES FOR TROOPS

www.treesfortroops.org



For over 15 years, StoneBridge Trucking has partnered with Bohman's Tree Farm located in Enochsburg, IN to ship the trees they are donating to the "TREES FOR TROOPS" campaign. Both companies are always thrilled to offer their products and services free of charge to bring Christmas trees to our troops around the world. The trees donated were destined for US Naval Base Guam.



StoneBridge CEO Shane Kennedy along with his grandfather and StoneBridge Operator Doug Spon worked directly with Bob Bohman to load the trees en route to US Naval Base Guam.



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This location donated
trees for service men
and women and their
families.

Christmas with StoneBridge

Pictured Right:

StoneBridge CEO
Shane Kennedy with
his wife Ashlee and
daughters Taylor and
Monroe(left)

StoneBridge Operator
Danny Dwiggin and
his Wife (Right)



Pictured Right:

John and Connie Saylor
with their granddaughters
Taylor and Monroe(left)

StoneBridge Operator
Terry Hogg and Wife
with their grand-
daughter(Right)



Pictured Right:

StoneBridge Operator
Dave Wring and Wife
(left)

StoneBridge Operator
Josh Wright and date
(Right)



Christmas with StoneBridge

Pictured Right:

StoneBridge Operator
Brock Bayless and
Wife (left)

Kevin Staggs and
Wife (Right)



Pictured Right:

StoneBridge Operator
Justin McReynolds
and Wife (left)

StoneBridge Operator
Kim Curtis and Wife
(Right)



Pictured Right:

StoneBridge Operator
Dale Sprinkle and
Wife (left)

StoneBridge Operator
Bill Gamble and Wife
(Right)



Driver in the Spotlight

Charlie Mann was born in Louisville, KY in 1954 and his family quickly moved to Lebanon, IN thereafter. The son of John and Nita, his father joined the Navy at the age of 15 years old and later became a truck driver, while his mother Nita stayed at home to raise his 5 brothers and sister. In 1972, he graduated high school and worked at Kroger to pay his way through community college. During the summer of 1975, he continued his education by transferring to the University of Kentucky and would proudly graduate in 1977 with a degree in Agriculture. Not only is he proud of his Wildcat education, he is extremely proud of the process of graduating. ***"I worked the entire way through and completely paid my own way. I worked hard and am proud of what I accomplished."***

With a degree in Agriculture, Charlie would spend many years doing what he was educated to do: Working in the midwestern farm system. Starting in 1980, he managed the Pumphrey's Hog Farm while he and his then wife Joanne started and raised a family. They have two boys together. His son John has 5 children and serves in the Navy specializing in Nuclear Propulsion. His son David is a US Army Captain and has a baby girl.

In 1993, Charlie went to work for Farm Bureau COOP as a Swine Service Specialist. In 1997 he continued his career in Frankfort, until the farm was sold in 2010. At that point he worked in Greenfield until he joined StoneBridge in 2017. When Charlie joined StoneBridge, he was ready for a new path. ***"I was ready for a change. I wanted a different pace and given my relationship with Butch Kennedy, I felt StoneBridge would be a good fit."*** In 2010, the Frankfort farm where Charlie worked was shut-down for 6 months and Charlie joined StoneBridge as a driver during that time. ***"I had a good feel for what StoneBridge was about and felt comfortable from day one given my history with them."***

What caught Charlie off guard was the amount of growth StoneBridge was experiencing when he arrived. In 2010, StoneBridge had 4 box trucks with a team of 8 drivers while Butch Kennedy ran the entire operation. In July 2017, StoneBridge had 10 trucks with a team of 15 drivers. ***"It has become an energy driven company. Parts are always moving. When the phone rings, I never know what to expect. You must be flexible and be prepared to learn something new. One second things will be quiet and then all chaos will break***



out as the customers start calling for expedites."

For a small company experiencing growth, the maintenance job can be both frustrating and unforgiving at times and you must have a positive attitude. StoneBridge Operations Manager Brad Stephens quickly noticed why Charlie was fit for the position:

"Charlie always has a wonderful attitude. Nothing phases him. Regardless of the situation, he always handles everything with poise. He also elevates the entire mood at StoneBridge in a positive way. He is always telling a joke and laughing, regardless of whether we get the joke or not."

Driver in the Spotlight



Charlie Mann and his girlfriend Joyce pose for a picture in Florida.

Simply,
Charlie Mann
is ALWAYS
on call and
ALWAYS
answers the
call.

When orientation takes place for a new StoneBridge team member, our business is always described as **"ORGANIZED CHAOS"**. In the world of expediting, the job of StoneBridge is to always be part of the solution for a customer's problem. We are always on call requiring a lot from the mechanic. Over the last year, Charlie Mann has always been on call. He has been on call to do a last-second fix to a truck. He has been on call to do a last-minute run when there were no other StoneBridge drivers available. He has been on call to take a phone call at 1am in the morning when a StoneBridge operator is experiencing mechanical issues. **Simply, Charlie Mann is ALWAYS on call and ALWAYS answers the call.**

"Charlie Mann is my friend first and foremost. As a friend, I truly love him dearly. He is a wonderful person. Along with this, I cannot imagine how StoneBridge would have kept it together with their growth over the last year without him. Given the amount of development we have experienced, things could have and should have easily fallen apart, but they didn't. They didn't because Charlie was part of the team and helped in more ways than we even know."

~ StoneBridge Founder Butch Kennedy

Driver in the Spotlight

Ask any trucking company what the most important part of their company's operation is and you will almost always receive the same answer:

“Drivers and Fleet Maintenance”.



A company is as only good as its drivers, and the good drivers cannot perform to their ability without the equipment to do so. Managing and maintaining a fleet brings many challenges. In 2017, StoneBridge Trucking was experiencing a significant amount of growth in which farming out its maintenance to a 3rd party shop was no longer efficient nor responsible. Simply, StoneBridge CEO Shane Kennedy needed help.

“I needed a guy to oversee the entire maintenance operation. I needed someone who was trustworthy, experienced, efficient, honest, and took initiative. Charlie Mann was a close friend of my father and someone who I personally liked, but I had no idea whether he would be the correct hire for the StoneBridge Maintenance Program. He not only was the correct hire, but he was the perfect hire.”

Over the last year, Charlie Mann literally has been the

“GLUE THAT KEPT US MOVING”.

A STORY OF SERVICE

American
Veteran
Owned



American
Veteran
Driven

StoneBridge is proud of its commitment to the service of those who have served and serving. Our company is owned by veterans and employs many who have a history of service to their country.



US Army
Veteran
Doug Spon

It is an absolute honor and privilege to serve in the United States Military. Quite often when I am in uniform, I am both amazed and appreciative when people go out of their way to say, **"Thank you for your service"**. With this level of appreciation comes a huge responsibility. A responsibility to wear the uniform with pride and carry yourself in a manner that shows a high level of respect the it demands. Not only are you representing your country and the military, you are also representing your family. If you ask a majority of those who volunteer to serve their country if someone in their family served, I would suffice to say many would proudly name a family member. Not only would they name them, they would have an honored inflection in their voice when answering.

In a past issue, I was pleased to tell my father Butch Kennedy's story of service. As I write this, I am delighted that I get to talk about another family member who I am **PROUD** to discuss.

**DOUG SPON IS
A VIETNAM VETERAN . . .
HE IS ALSO MY
GRANDPA!!!**



Doug Spon at 18 years of age in Chu Lai, Vietnam

Born in 1950 in Sharon Pennsylvania to Ray and June Spon, Doug Spon grew up in family dedicated to service. Ray Spon served in the Navy, and his brother Rick Spon, retired from the US Navy in 2003 as a Commander. In December 1968, Doug Spon made the decision to also serve his country. Like many during this time he was posed with a very tough question: Enlist or get drafted?

At the time, the Army allowed him to enlist without a high school diploma. **"I was ready to go, I liked land, and liked fixing stuff. Being a mechanic in the US Army made sense."** Doug would attend Basic Training at Fort Benning, GA and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Jackson, SC. After completion of his training in May 1969, Doug Spon would receive orders to Chu Lai, Vietnam. Upon arrival Doug was stationed at LZ Baldy until he and a friend made a mistake. **"There was a base wide urinalysis. A Sergeant gave me a cup and told me to "fill it up". I did so, except I filled it with Vodka. Seemed funny at the time, but they didn't find the humor in it when the results came back."** Based on this, Doug was moved to LZ Siberia as punishment. During this time, although trained as a mechanic, he spent the majority of his time running convoys as part of the Quick Reaction Force (QRF).

A STORY OF SERVICE

After a year in Vietnam, Doug would serve 2 years in Ft Bragg, NC where he would reenlist and receive orders to South Korea. On location, he spent his first 4 months as a mechanic until he was summoned to meet with a Sergeant Major. After formation, SGT Spon was told to get in a Jeep and go to Seoul. Following a two-hour drive, the subsequent conversation ensued:

Sergeant Major: "SGT Spon, you need a haircut."

Sergeant Spon: "You had me come all this way to tell me that?"

Sergeant Major: "No, you are going to be the General's Driver."

Sergeant Spon: "How?"

Sergeant Major: "You were selected."

Sergeant Spon: "How?"

Sergeant Major: .. (insert speechless pause here) ... Get your stuff.



While in Vietnam, Doug was assigned to LZ Baldy / West 196th INF

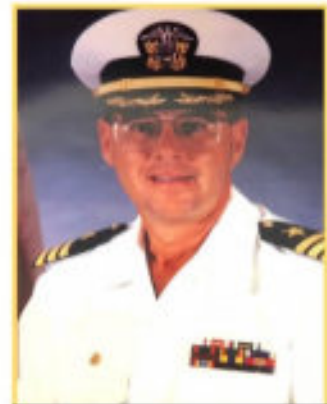


SGT Spon with the General's car in Seoul, South Korea.

Doug would spend his remaining time in Korea as the General's Driver until he was stationed in Ft. Riley Kansas in April 1972 for 1.5 years as part of the 1st Infantry Division. While there he was part of the 701st MSB and assigned to Alpha Company. (Ironically, when I (Shane Kennedy) joined the Army in 1999, I was stationed in Germany in the sister unit. I was assigned to Alpha Company 701st MSB in Kitzingen, Germany as part of the 1st ID in 2000). After Kansas, Doug received orders to Baumholder Germany where he would finish his career and receive an Honorable Discharge after 7 years, 9 months, and 23 days



Ray Spon joined the Navy as an Electrician's Mate in 1944.



CDR Rick Spon retired in 2003.



A STORY OF SERVICE

"I enjoyed my time in the military. It did a lot for me. I grew up." After Doug completed his initial training, he returned home to visit with family. Growing up, he had a few "encounters" with the local deputy sheriff. When this same deputy saw him in uniform he stated,

"This is the best decision you ever made young man".



To this day, Doug always draws a close comparison with his professional career with his time in the service. He has spent his life either working as a mechanic, or in jobs that utilize his knowledge as a mechanic. At StoneBridge, he is called on quite often to help diagnose issues. Along with this, he enjoys his fellow Veterans at StoneBridge.

"I really enjoy being around the guys. In the service, you look out for each other. You develop that bond in and out of the service. I share that same bond at StoneBridge Trucking."



StoneBridge Operator Doug Spon operating a Jeep while stationed in Vietnam in 1969.

Driver in the Spotlight



2017 StoneBridge Rookie of The Year Bill Gamble

In the fall of 2016, StoneBridge Trucking was starting to catch a glimpse into its future. The customer base was growing, processes were being improved, and the fleet was receiving some much needed updates. With all the progress that was being made, one key component to a successful logistics company was proving to be a challenge; as felt throughout the industry: **FIND SOLID DEPENDABLE, COMPETENT DRIVERS** that will provide the service required by StoneBridge and demanded by its customers.

Later that fall, an ad was ran in all of the local newspapers searching for drivers that would fit the StoneBridge Trucking employment model. A week after the ad was run, Bill Gamble reached out to StoneBridge CEO Shane Kennedy to introduce himself via telephone. Kennedy liked what he heard. *"Bill was impressive, he had a successful history of hard work in the logistics and manufacturing industry, and seemed confident to drive a straight truck. With this, he had served his country. I was comfortable giving him a shot, but was uncertain that StoneBridge was a good fit for his needs at that point in his life"*. Both discussed the pros and cons of the job and Bill took some time to evaluate the opportunity with his wife. A few days later, Kennedy received a call from Bill *"My wife and I discussed this opportunity. We really like what you are doing with veterans and I would like to give this a go"*. Little did Kennedy know at the time, but he had just hired StoneBridge Trucking's first

"ROOKIE OF THE YEAR",

an honor given to a StoneBridge Operator within their first year accounting for safety, miles driven, and many other numerous factors in which StoneBridge holds paramount.

Behind the company are people. Know the people - Know the person - Know the company.

Bill Gamble was

born on December 15th, 1959 in Rockford, IL. His father was a musician and his mother was a housewife. Growing up, Bill had always been called to serve his country. In 1977, upon graduating from high school, Bill enlisted in the US Army. His career in the military would take him to Korea, Texas, Kansas, Panama, Alaska, and Germany while serving in Calvary. Bill could have very well spent a career in the US Army, but he and his then wife experienced something no parent would ever want to experience. *"I was in the middle of tactical field exercises in Grafenwoehr, Germany, when I was contacted that I had to be home with my family immediately. The Squadron Commander sent me home in a helicopter to my base in Amberg, Germany."* When Bill arrived home, he received the news that his 2 month old daughter had passed away from **Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS)**. Recollecting this life changing event, Bill Gamble remembers it vividly.:



Driver in the Spotlight

"It was quite possibly the worst, if not one of the worst moments of my life. I would never wish that experience on any parent or loved one."



Bill and his wife Debbie have been married since December 5th.

This experience caused an extreme level of stress of pain for Bill, which ultimately took a toll on his marriage and military career. He and his then wife were divorced and after nine years of military service, Bill received an Honorable Discharge from the US Army. He returned to Indiana in which he would eventually marry his wife Debbie on December 5th, 1986. Bill began his career in logistics when he drove a truck for 3 years for Days Express and eventually for Rumpke. Bill finally decided to spend 18 years working for Knauf Insulation which ended due to a knee surgery.

Bill currently holds his AS in Visual Communication and is presently 12 credits away from a BS in Graphic Design. He is a proud husband, father of four, and grandfather of eleven. His daughter Lee is a paralegal and happily married with four boys. His daughter Amanda works in management and is a proud mother to a son. His son Chris works as the Sports Director for the Shelbyville Parks Department and is a proud father of 3. His daughter Carrie is the proud mother of 3.

Since October 2016, Bill has literally and figuratively been "rolling" with StoneBridge Trucking. Once he was in a straight truck, he has never looked back. He has quickly climbed the ladder at StoneBridge and worked extremely hard to earn the honor of the StoneBridge Trucking "Rookie of the Year". Shane Kennedy is proud of the decision to bring Bill on board.

"Bill Gamble was my first hire at StoneBridge and has proven to be one of the best. We are a better company today than we were then because of all of the hard work Bill has put forth to his job and our company. We are lucky to have him." ~ Shane Kennedy, CEO

Along with being a proud **husband, father, and grandfather**, he is also proud to be a professional Operator with a company like StoneBridge.

"StoneBridge has taken care of me and my family. I feel appreciated as an employee and veteran. Importantly, my family still comes first in their eyes, as they always have in mine."



Bill is the proud grandfather to eleven grandchildren.

Past, Present, & Future of StoneBridge



The Operations & Maintenance Center will house up to 15 StoneBridge Box Trucks

In June 2016, Shane Kennedy had just come off Active Duty for the Navy and joined the StoneBridge Trucking Family when then Operations Manager Garry Hadler made it very clear in saying **"We need more freight, more customers, and need to offer more capacity and services to our current customers"**. Having experience in sales, he hit the road. **"I was confident I could sell StoneBridge and our services. That is by far the most important part of sales, believing in your product or service. My dad started the company, Garry and the team offered a fantastic service, it was up to me to find the people who would find value in what we offer."** At that time in 2016, StoneBridge had 4 total box trucks and 4 cargo vans with a team of 7 total drivers. Kennedy remembers looking at the company and seeing its potential. **"We were small but extremely efficient. We were averaging anywhere from 50-70 loads a month and we kept our business model simple. With this, I knew there was plenty of room for growth because our current customers were telling us."**

The consistent feedback he was receiving was as follows:

- More availability = more trucks and drivers
- More capacity = more weight
- More services = lift gates on the trucks

Based on this feedback StoneBridge has grown from 4 box trucks & 4 vans to 10 box trucks and 5 vans. They forecast adding an additional 4 - 5 box trucks for an overall fleet growth of **250%**. The StoneBridge Team has grown from 7 employees to 25 for an overall growth of **357%**. StoneBridge is now averaging 140-175 loads per month for a growth of **258%**. With this, the feedback remains the same . . . **MORE AVAILABILITY - MORE CAPACITY - MORE SERVICES.** **"We are still hiring competent drivers who fit our model and are adding a LARGE TANDEM AXLE BOX TRUCK that can haul up to 20,000LBS. In two - three years, we hope to add full size 53ft trucks because OUR CUSTOMERS ARE ASKING US TO DO SO, both old and new."**



This growth requires space. We have now located our fleet and maintenance center to a new location only 1 minute away from the StoneBridge Headquarters and Dispatch Center. Kennedy is thrilled to lease this location. **"This location came available at a perfect time and is owned by a good trustworthy friend of StoneBridge and my family. It has everything we need to support our growing operation and business model with 3 maintenance bays, storage area, and a cross loading dock."**

With this growth comes a high level of responsibility and an understanding of how the logistics industry works. Upon joining StoneBridge, Kennedy did his homework and found the #1 reason logistics companies fail is because they get too big too fast. **"The economy is really good right now and our customers have been great to us. But we have to always be planning for when the economy begins to slow down. Our growth has been responsible and our outlook remains positive. We will strive to continue to support our customers for the long term."**



The Operations & Maintenance Center will have a dock for storage and cross loading needs.

A STORY OF SERVICE

American
Veteran
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StoneBridge is proud of its commitment to the service of those who have served and serving. Our company is owned by veterans and is employed by many who have a history of service to



their country.

US Air Force
Veteran
Terry Hogg

For many men who grew up in the 50's and 60's, they remember it as a great time to be an American. Being a "Baby Boomer" was a great experience for many. A defining element of the 50's was the Cold War, and the 60's proved to be a time of change in America. Growing up during these years would often eventually lead the young men of the United States to make an important decision: Sign up for the US Military or wait to potentially be drafted and sent to Vietnam?

Terry Hogg was born in June of 1953 and grew up in Greensburg, Indiana. In 1971, Terry and his good friend Rob Hood where about to head to Indianapolis to join and saw their friend Jeff Meyer working at a local gas station. Jeff's boss thought he was simply going to lunch, but Jeff was ready to join them. That afternoon, Terry's mom Nelly Hogg took all three boys to Indianapolis to take the military entrance evaluation test.

"Rob and I were supposed to be on the buddy system, it didn't work out that way unfortunately".

American Veteran Owned



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In November 1971, Terry Hogg enlisted and took off for the US Air Force to attend Basic Training at Lackland AFB, Texas. Upon graduating basic training, he was sent to Chanute AFB in Rantoul, IL. *"It was the coldest weather I had EVER experienced. I hated it. We had to wear leather masks on our face. Definitely lets you know how cold it was and the cold weather technology of the time."*

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A STORY OF SERVICE



While at Chanute, Terry trained to work on Aerospace Ground Equipment. Upon graduation from tech school, he was shipped to APO San Francisco where he would find his final destination to be his first permanent duty station: Saigon (Ho Chi Minh City), Vietnam.

"I was 18 years old and found myself in Vietnam. When I arrived and walked off the plane, it felt like I was in an oven. It was such a complete shock and contrast to my experience at Chanute AFB. I had transitioned from what I thought was the coldest place in the world to the hottest. After showering, I would immediately be soaking wet from sweat before I could even dry off."

Terry was in Saigon for nine months when President Nixon stated that the Vietnam War was coming to a **"conclusion as a result of the plan that we have instituted."** At this point, Terry was flown to Tokay, Thailand where he was to spend a total of four months and be eventually sent home. **"I was told I was going home, but was rather sent to Tacoma, WA for six months."** At this point, Terry decided that he would be willing to go back to Thailand if his service was going to be extended. **"I had put in my request and made a voluntary statement that I wanted to serve in Thailand. Ironically, I was advised that if I wanted to go back to Thailand, that I needed to withdraw this statement which lacked all possible logic. Going against my logical reasoning, I withdrew my statement requesting to be stationed in Thailand, and was then assigned to Thailand shortly after. I simply cannot make this up. Anyone who ever served in the military can understand."** SSgt Hogg would spend 13 additional months in Thailand totaling over **560+ days served in Southeast Asia**. At one point, Terry hadn't spoken to his parents for over 3 months. The Red Cross was notified and the communication line between Terry and his parents was open once again.

In 1975, SSgt Hogg was honorably discharged from the US Air Force and was sent home. When he returned home, he saw his mom walk by prompting the following conversation:

Son: ***Who you looking for lady (in jest)?***

Mother: ***I am here to see my son.***

Terry was flabbergasted. **"She didn't even recognize me. She simply walked right past me. I had grown up. The boy that left her was now a man."**

In 1976, Terry was ready for another challenge. He signed a three year enlistment in the Army Reserves as a Sergeant serving as a Field Director Commander (FDC). Terry's time in the Army Reserves was a little bit less eventful. He laughed when sharing the fact that his only deployment in the Army Reserves was to Chicago during the mail strike. Overall, Terry's experience in the military was a positive one that has proven to be something in which he would be proud of. **"I loved the travel, it made me grow up and mature at a very fast pace."** Terry went on to earn a Degree in Architectural Design & Building Construction. After many years raising his family and running the family business, Terry is thrilled to be a part of StoneBridge Trucking which is American Veteran Driven. **"I enjoy the work and the people. I really enjoy the customer service aspect of our job, and appreciate the comradery I share with the StoneBridge team and the veterans in its ranks."**

Driver in the Spotlight



2017 StoneBridge Driver of The Year

Mark Scheidler

It's Sunday evening and a StoneBridge truck is loaded and destined for multiple deliveries along the East Coast on Tuesday. Immediately after the assigned driver began his journey, life happened and they contacted StoneBridge Dispatch alerting them that they would not be able to execute the run due to unforeseen personal circumstances. This constitutes an EMERGENCY in the world of expediting and small load trucking, ESPECIALLY when the cargo on board is for one of your top customers. Scrambling to come up with a solution, the same tactic was employed as it had been for many years, CALL YOUR MOST DEPENDABLE DRIVER, and hopefully he come through AGAIN as he always has.

Mark "Shark" Scheidler was contacted:

Dispatch: **Mark, I know its Sunday night and I know you had plans with your family, but here is the situation . . . can you make this happen?**

Shark: **Where is the load going and when does it need to be there?**

Dispatch: **East Coast, multiple deliveries, due on Tuesday.**

Shark: **Sweet, I can do it. I will get it done.**

And so it goes. Since 2012, Mark Scheidler has proven time and time again to be one of the most dependable, trusted, competent, and professional drivers to occupy a StoneBridge truck. The aforementioned example is a simple "drop in the bucket" considering the countless comparable examples in which he has been responsible in helping StoneBridge maintain its high standard of dependability and trustworthiness. Based on his history of success with StoneBridge, and his importance to its growth and improvement, Mark is our "DRIVER IN THE SPOTLIGHT", and was the recipient of 2017's most prestigious award, the "STONEBRIDGE DRIVER OF THE YEAR".

Behind the company are people. Know the people - Know the person - Know the company.

Born in Greensburg in 1954, Mark is one of 4 children. His father owned a decorating business and his mother worked as a secretary. For many years, Scheidler Brothers Decorating Center was part of the Greensburg community. Eventually, the company would be owned and ran by Mark himself, and for 21 years he transformed, grew, and set a standard for customer service in the paint business. Over that time, he experienced and tackled many challenges:

"When I took it over, we were in a bad location, we had very low output, and I knew many changes needed to be made". I worked extremely hard to revamp our model while putting a VITAL FOCUS on customer service."



Mark dressed as Santa with his wife Paula and grandson Rhett.

Driver in the Spotlight

Mark worked to ingratiate himself and his company with the Home Builders Association which proved to be essential in his company's success.

"I worked so hard to prove myself to them, that when I began getting the opportunities, I worked even harder to deliver. It didn't take long until we were the main service in which they trusted, and business was extremely good."



This success would come with its frustrating challenges. The success resulted in long hours which took a toll on his time with family. He has a beautiful family. His wife Paula is a Nurse Practitioner, and they are proud parents to their two daughters Briana and Chelsea. *"Over time I simply got burnt out, I was working way too hard and didn't have enough time with my family. Finding good dependable employees also presented challenges that I was no longer willing to tolerate."*

Eventually Mark would sell the business and came to StoneBridge. **BUT LETS TALK ABOUT WHAT WE KNOW YOU ARE WONDERING, WHERE DID THE NAME "SHARK" COME FROM?** Mark has always had the reputation for being quite the golfer. 30 years ago he competed in a tournament at the Greensburg Country Club and one of the older gentleman at the course labeled him the **"Shark"** in reference to pro golfer Greg Norman based on his consistent ability to maintain a low handicap. For all of the non-golfers reading this article, it means Mark is **REALLY . . . REALLY** good. His talent for the game also resonates in his two daughters who played golf at Greensburg High School. His daughter Brianna, now a Registered Nurse, was an All-State Golfer for 3 years. And his daughter Chelsea, now a Veterinarian, was a State Finalist for 3 years. The community is also involved. Once a year in June, over 100 people will annually attend the **"Shark Shootout"** at the Greensburg Country Club. His involvement with the community doesn't stop there. For the past 27 years, Mark has supported the **"Local Cheer Fund"** through the Greensburg Daily News in which he takes time to deliver Christmas articles to those in need throughout the community.

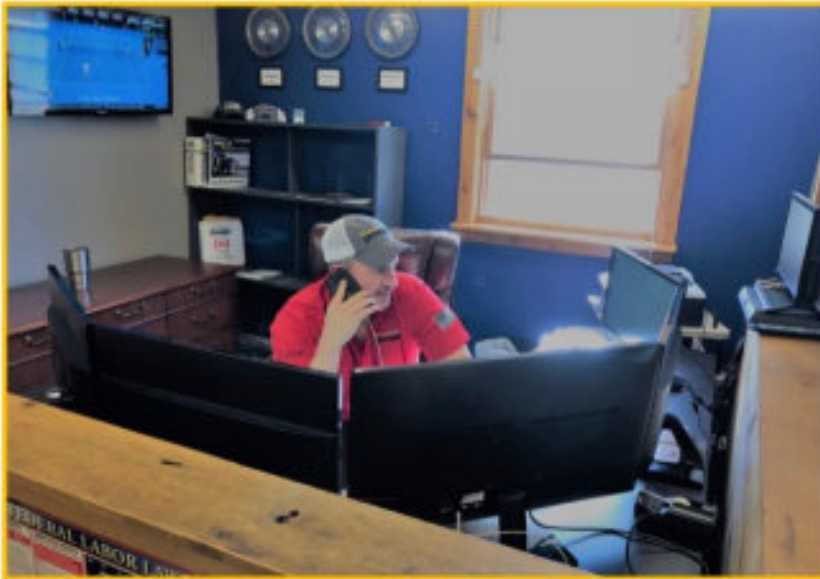
Along with being a proud husband and father, he is now a proud Grandpa. His daughter Brianna recently gave birth to his grandson Rhett. Because of this, he enjoys working at StoneBridge Trucking and his success in the private sector and the community shows a direct correlation: *"When it comes to working with StoneBridge, I am comfortable dealing with the issues as they arise, understanding people and our customers' needs. There isn't time for excuses, lets solve the problem".* Along with this, Mark enjoys the ability to stay active while being able to appreciate life. *"I enjoy the flexibility of working here. I set my own schedule. Here you can be your own boss, work for a great team with great resources, and ultimately, work with many great customers."*



Mark and his daughters supporting the "Local Cheer Fund" sponsored by the Greensburg Daily News.

Mark's overall attitude towards life, family, and community shows exactly why he has been paramount to the success of StoneBridge Trucking. That is why we are proud to have him as our **"Driver in the Spotlight"** and **FIRST EVER** recipient of the **"StoneBridge Driver of Year"** for 2017.

The NEW VOICE of StoneBridge Trucking



Brad works in the newly updated StoneBridge Operations Center.

In April 2017, Shane Kennedy was in Bahrain completing his training for the Navy Reserves, when he learned his Operations Manager and mentor, Garry Hadler, was ready to move on from StoneBridge. Shane completely understood but was undoubtedly concerned for the future: ***"For 5 years, Garry was the foundation of StoneBridge. He had taught me everything I knew at the time concerning the business, but I wasn't sure I knew everything needed to move the company forward. Losing Garry was going to be extremely hard, but he had given so much, that he had my full support in making any decision that was in his best interest"***.

Shane's first inclination was to immediately replace Garry, but quickly realized he was not equipped to do that: ***"Garry had large shoes to fill. His position is the most important position in the entire company. The Operations / Dispatch Manager has direct communication with our team and customers almost every hour of the day. You don't just put anyone in that role. He set such a high standard for professionalism when it came to management and customer relations, I realized this decision was going to "make or break" StoneBridge for many years to come."***

Based on this realization, Shane decided to assume the position himself until he had a thorough understanding of the position, its responsibilities, challenges, and the day-to-day demands and requirements of StoneBridge's customers. ***"I knew what I had to do. I knew running the company head-to-toe would be hard, but I had no choice. The only way I would be able to hire the right person, was to be competent in that role myself."***

Shane assumed the role in May 2017 and there was no timeline on hiring the next "Voice". For a few months, the daily grind was in place, and there were no candidates on the radar. **That is, until a gentleman by the name of Brad Stephens submitted his resume.**

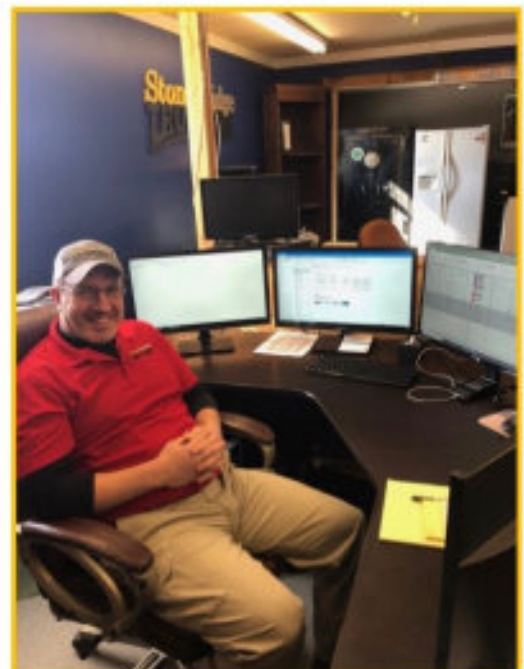
***Behind the company
are people.***

***KNOW the people
KNOW the person
KNOW the company***

A name synonymous with college basketball in the state of Indiana, Brad is not to be confused with the former coach of the Butler Bulldogs and current coach of the Boston Celtics: "Brad Stephens". The resume of this "Brad Stephens" was much different, in fact more impressive when it came to logistics.

"When Brad came for his first interview in July, I was immediately impressed. He was energetic, professional, driven, accomplished, and well-spoken. I thought that I may have found the guy".

The initial interview passed and Brad still had three weeks of CDL training ahead of him. Shane wasn't sure whether he would hear back, because he knew Brad could work anywhere he wanted. ***"I eventually would have found someone but I truly believed Brad may be the right guy. I was hoping I would eventually hear from him."***



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In August, Shane finally received a call from Brad.

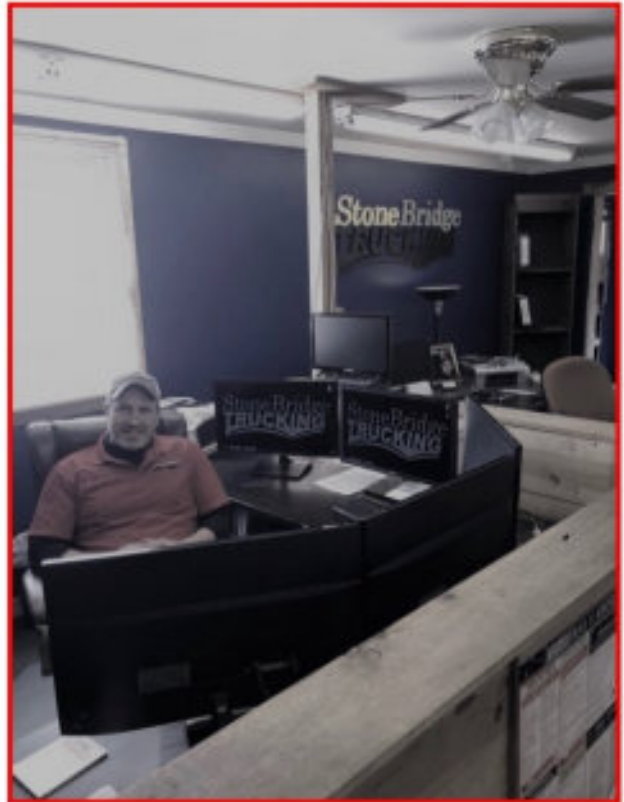
"Shane, I like what you guys are about, and I would like to work for Stone-Bridge."

For the next few months, Brad was behind the wheel proving himself as a competent driver and willing to be a part of the StoneBridge system. Shane's policy in hiring professionals to assume administrative roles is that they must understand what it means to be a driver.

"I have made it a point to never put anyone in an administrative role until they have proven themselves on the road first. Our drivers are the backbone of our company, you cannot administrate the company, until you have been part of the backbone."

During the StoneBridge Christmas Party, Shane officially introduced Brad as the **"Next Voice of Stone-Bridge Trucking"** and Brad assumed that role full-time in January.

A graduate of South Decatur High School in 1991, he was part of the revered 1990 **State Championship Football Team**. In 1992 he joined the **US Army**. For the next 14 years, while serving on Active Duty and in the National Guard, he would deploy to both Afghanistan and Iraq as a Fire Control Specialist. While living in Alaska in the 90's, he also drove a truck part-time for a logging company. He is the proud parent of 5 children and has relocated and resides back in Westport with his amazing girlfriend Angie. Brad's experience in logistics is vast. He has driven dump trucks, semi's, and has worked for Lowe's and Lincare on the **"other side"** of logistics in shipping, receiving, traffic training, dispatch, and customer service.



It is this experience, coupled with the character, competence, energy, and professionalism of Brad Stephens, that we are proud to introduce to you

"The New Voice of StoneBridge Trucking".



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2017
StoneBridge Legacy Award
Recipient
&
US Air Force
Veteran
Forrest Sandefur

Since 2006, there has been a symbol of consistency at StoneBridge Trucking. That symbol has always been ready, always been dependable, always been competent, always been professional, and importantly, **ALWAYS BEEN AN ABSOLUTE PLEASURE TO BE AROUND.** That symbol is Forrest Sandefur.

Forrest is currently the longest tenured driver at StoneBridge. On a weekly basis, he is always ready to hop in a cargo van and go. Because of his history of service at StoneBridge, Forrest became the first recipient of the

StoneBridge Legacy Award

during the StoneBridge Christmas Party in December. An award that was both well-deserved and well received.

"When considering who would be the first to receive the award, my father and I both agreed that Forrest was the most deserving to have their name appear first on the wall as a StoneBridge Legacy",

~ StoneBridge CEO Shane Kennedy.



Understanding Forrest's success at StoneBridge, and the character he brings to the job, can be partly attributed to his service in the United States Air Force.

In 1958, Forrest graduated high school and enlisted. When considering the military, the choice for Forrest was simple at the time. *"The draft was inevitable, and I knew I had to make a choice. I had two brothers, one served in the Army and the other in the Navy. I also had three brothers-in-law who served in the Army, Army Air Corps, and Navy. I had a very good idea of what to expect from each service. I chose the Air Force, they had the best food."*

Upon enlisting in the Air Force, Forrest went to Basic Training during a very unusual time. His basic training only lasted 3.5 weeks when the average at the time was 8 weeks. It was during this time that national temperatures were so hot, there were Marines who died marching during training at Paris Island, SC. Forrest said *"Because of this, there was a law passed for everyone limiting our outdoor training due to the temperatures, and my initial training was cut short."*



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After completing basic training, Forrest became an Airborne Radar Repairman while studying at Keesler AFB, MS. This skillset would eventually land him in the city of Tripoli located in Libya, Africa. The base he served on had a vast history. It began as a Mercedes Benz test site, and eventually housed the German military during World War II. Once the war ended, the United States occupied it, eventually welcoming A3C Forrest Sandefur as a member of the 58th Air Rescue Squadron. During his time in Tripoli, an historic event occurred when a U2 jet was shot down in Russia.

"We spent three days "looking" for that jet. Our government knew where it was, we knew where it was. It was in Russia, but we weren't allowed to cross into their air space. So, in order to give the appearance we were making the effort to find it, we spent three days flying along the border of Turkey and Russia "looking" for it. It was very frustrating for everyone involved"

After leaving Tripoli, Forrest finished his Air Force career in Columbus, OH. It was here that he learned how to get the Air Force to honor his contract and grant him his Honorable Discharge. ***"I was in a highly critical field, and they were trying to retain all Radar Repairman by alluding that we couldn't get out. It was then that I read a recent Air Force Times article and found the regulation had been updated, officially allowing me to be discharged."***

Upon finding this information out, Airman Third Class Sandefur promptly paid a visit to the base retention Officer. The officer made a diligent effort to retain Forrest and the conversation went as such:

A3C Sandefur: *I would like to request my Honorable Discharge.*

Retention Officer: *You read the Air Force times didn't you?*

A3C Sandefur: *Yes sir I did.*

Retention Officer: *You realize life outside the military is exactly the same don't you? You will still have someone you have to report to and take orders from?*

A3C Sandefur: *Well sir, it's not exactly the same. Out there I can tell them to "Go to Hell" and not go to jail for it.*



A3C Sandefur was Honorably Discharged for the US Air Force on the 25th of May, 1964. Having married his wife Sharon in 1962, they are proud parents to their daughters Laurie and Marcy. He is proud of his lifetime of hard work, and if you ever have the opportunity to spend 5 minutes with Forrest, you will find him to be an extremely kind gentleman who is proud of his service and enjoys working for StoneBridge Trucking.

"When I enlisted back then, it wasn't a choice, it was an obligation. It was simply part of being an American."

Since 2006, Forrest has been a part of the StoneBridge DNA and will always be the first ever to receive the **StoneBridge Legacy Award**. When speaking of his experience at StoneBridge, there is one unique quality he speaks of: ***"I enjoy the people I work with and the customers. I enjoy staying busy and the interaction this job allows me to receive with good people"***.

Driver in the Spotlight



Behind the company are people. Know the people - Know the person - Know the company.

Good service is the foundation of StoneBridge Trucking. As referenced throughout the article with Jeff Moore, Jeff understands how important it is to not only provide the service, but understand the person you are providing the service for. By focusing on the needs of the companies we work for, and recognizing the people who are the backbone of those companies, relationships are forged, trust is built, and excellent service is provided.

The Best Dressed Operator in the Business

Jeff Moore was born in Springfield, OH in 1954 and his family quickly relocated to Greensburg, Indiana in 1955. After graduating from Purdue University with his AS in Hotel & Restaurant Management, Jeff married his wife Cindy in 1974. After 42 years of marriage, they are now proud parents and grandparents to three children and five grandchildren.

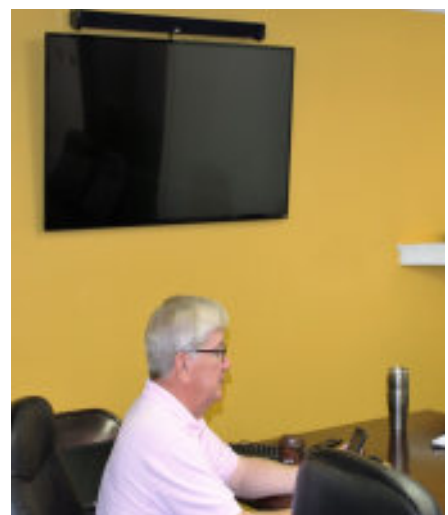
When Jeff joined StoneBridge Trucking, he proved himself to be an immediate asset to the StoneBridge team by bringing a ***"a little something extra"*** to the job; excellent people skills and customer service. Since Jeff has spent his life as an owner of a small family business where customer service and understanding people were paramount to his business' success, his acquired skills became an immediate asset to StoneBridge. You may have heard of his company, **Minear's Department Store - Greensburg, IN**. Established in 1865, Jeff's Dad became a silent owner in 1967, and by 1975 Jeff was managing the entire operation.

After spending his life in customer service and developing personable relationships in a professional setting, Jeff sees a direct correlation between his years at Minear's and representing StoneBridge Trucking: ***"For 40 years, I worked every day to focus directly on how I needed to treat people and address them, their needs, and demands. Today I do the same exact thing for StoneBridge Trucking. We work for and serve people."*** Jeff has always enjoyed the people aspect of his job at StoneBridge, but he has found satisfaction as a Truck Operator in other facets of the job. He loves the landscape of North America. ***"I have traveled our country and seen some of the most beautiful sunrises and sunsets imaginable. When it comes to the people and landscape associated with this job, I find it addicting."***

Jeff takes great pride in his job and appearance. Having worked in the clothing business for 40 years and retiring from the business a few years ago, he undoubtedly gets the award as ***"Best Dressed Operator in the Business"***. As a Truck Operator, he said it is important for our customers to know ***"We are doing the best job possible to get their product safely and quickly from one location to another. We are expeditors, and we take pride in what we do."***



Jeff and his Wife Cindy are proud grandparents to five beautiful grandchildren.



Jeff Moore prepares his route prior to leaving for Canada. Jeff has made countless trips to the Ontario Province.

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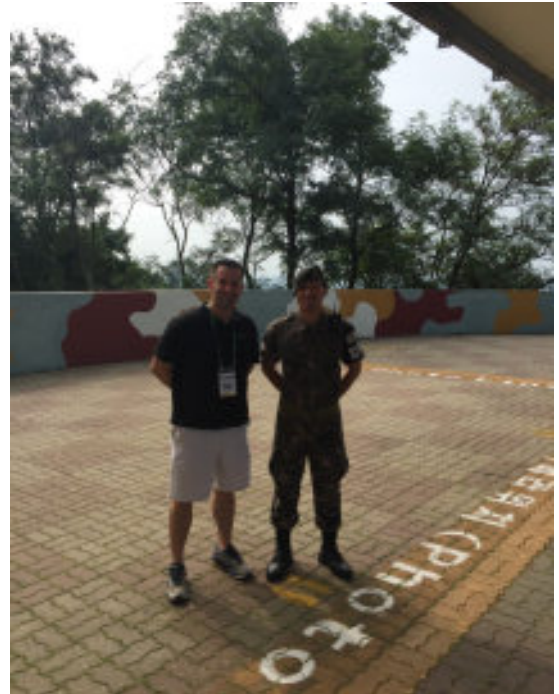


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StoneBridge is proud of its commitment to the service of those who have served and serving. Our company is owned by veterans and is employed by many who have a history of service to their country. That is why we are proud to continue serving by providing our logistics services for the benefit of troops around the world who will spend the holidays away from their families.



Shane Kennedy currently serves part-time in the US Navy Reserve Supply Corps. Recently, Shane traveled to South Korea for two weeks of Annual Training. While serving, LT Kennedy had the privilege of traveling to the Demilitarization Zone (DMZ) between North and South Korea. The DMZ is a strip of land running across the Korean Peninsula that was established in 1953 at the end of the Korean War to serve as a buffer zone between the democratic People's Republic of Korea (North Korea) and the Republic of Korea (South Korea).



LT Shane Kennedy poses for a picture with a South Korean soldier at the DMZ in South Korea.

Trees for the Troops

Since 2003, StoneBridge Trucking has been partnering with the **Bohman Christmas Tree Farm** to provide **Trees for the Troops** stationed around the world. In next month's issue, we will proudly tell our story of the logistics service we donate to transport the gifted trees from the Bohman Christmas Tree Farm to our troops.



Driver in the Spotlight



HE FOUGHT, HE'S FIGHTING, HE'S WINNING!

THIS CHRISTMAS, STONEBRIDGE OPERATOR DAVE BROWN AND HIS FAMILY HAVE SOMETHING TO BE VERY THANKFUL FOR. Dave Brown has spent the majority of his professional career as one of the most dependable drivers in the industry. Dave has been with StoneBridge Trucking for over 6 years. While with StoneBridge, he has built a reputation of honesty, dependability, and character. When Dave is called to expedite a load, the answer is always **"I am on my way"**.

On a cold winter day in February 2015, something changed. Dave had to prioritize and could no longer carry the dependability torch for StoneBridge. Dave had a history of having a fatty tumor on his left breast, but this time, something was different. **"In 3 weeks time, my breast had doubled in size and I was in extreme pain."** Dave's fatty tumor was no longer a **"tumor"**. He had developed stage 3 (three) cancer and immediately needed 9 lymph nodes removed, 5 of which were cancerous.

As is the case with most cancer patients, Dave wasn't the only one affected by this life changing event. Norma, his wife and best friend of 12 years and daughter Ashley, were distraught and heartbroken over the news. **"They both broke down in tears, and were extremely scared. I told them it would be ok and that we would get through this"**.

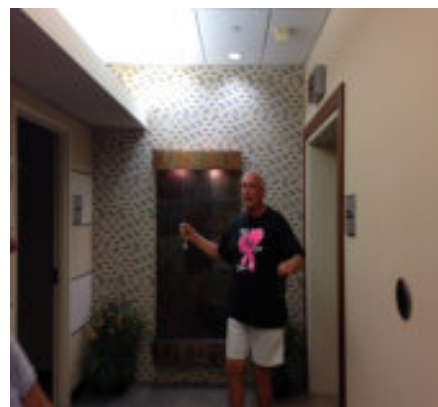
In March 2015, Dave began post-operation treatment for his breast cancer. He underwent 4 months of chemotherapy followed by 2 months of radiation therapy. The US Navy veteran reflects on the experience as one of the most challenging in his life. **"It absolutely zaps the energy out of you. I lost all of my hair, and it honestly ages you. I am recovering, but my energy levels are still low at times. Luckily I know I am strong and feel myself getting stronger."**

Behind the company are people.

Know the people

Know the person

Even though the story of cancer has no ending, this story continues to get better every day. In September 2015, Dave and his family received the news that he was **IN REMISSION**. To this day, Dave remains on medication and an estrogen blocker, but has a completely new outlook on life. He wants people to know **"I am a survivor. Without prayer and family, I don't know how I would have made it through. Today I don't take anything for granted, and I don't let the little things in life bother me. Importantly, I try to be courteous to every person I come in contact with."** This Christmas, Dave has a lot to be thankful for. A wonderful wife, daughter, two grandchildren, and importantly, **LIFE!!!**



Dave Brown endured 4 months of chemotherapy and 5 weeks of radiation treatment.

Christmas with StoneBridge

The StoneBridge Family was so pleased that so many took the time to attend The StoneBridge Christmas party. Over 65 were in attendance throughout the night. Of those were clients, friends, family, and the entire StoneBridge Team. It was so important to meet the families and loved ones of those who took the time to attend, and enjoy conversation and fellowship outside the world of logistics. The conference room hosted many for appetizers and refreshments while the movie "Home Alone" was set "on loop" for all of the children in attendance. When all of the StoneBridge Team were in attendance, Shane Kennedy introduced each driver and presented them with their new StoneBridge jacket. Each jacket was customized to tell a story about each driver. Eventually the party receded to the StoneBridge Pub where Butch Kennedy served as the "host".

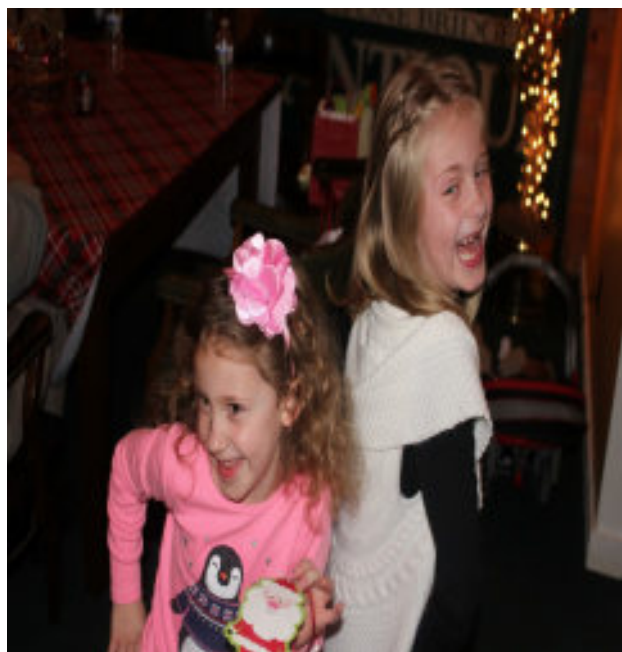


Shane Kennedy presents Forrest Sandefur, and Air Force veteran, with his customized StoneBridge jacket.

Stone-
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Dave
Brown and
Bill Gamble
pose for a
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gether.



We were thrilled that Don and Cheryl Borgman took the time to be a part of the evening.



The Bauer sisters strike a pose.

Christmas with StoneBridge

THE STONEBRIDGE JACKET

When the jackets were presented to the StoneBridge Team, it was explained how each jacket told a story about each Operator. For US Military Veterans, the branch of service the operator served is displayed on the back collar of their jacket. Along with their military service history being recognized, it was important that their length of time at StoneBridge also be acknowledged. Inspired by the service stripes displayed on an Army Class A uniform, stripes will also be found on the right arm of the operator's jacket. One stripe will be displayed upon completion of their first year. Two stripes after a total of three years with an additional stripe added every three years after.



The first StoneBridge Jacket was presented to Don Ziegenfuss. Don, a retired Navy Chief Petty Officer, has



Mark Scheidler embraces Shane Kennedy while receiving his StoneBridge jacket. Mark's jacket has 2 stripes recognizing his



As the evening wound down, The StoneBridge Pub proved to be the place for the after party!

A 14 year tradition of wearing "Crazy Hats" was continued.



Christmas with StoneBridge



Pictured left: Garry Hadler poses for a picture with Denny Koch and his

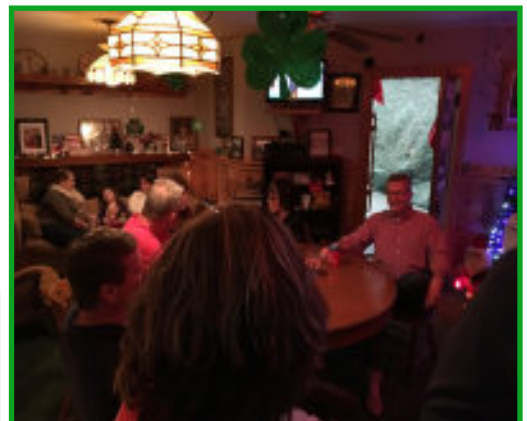
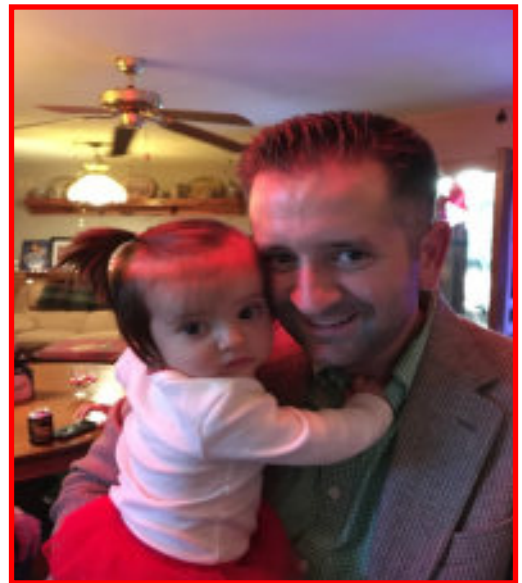


wife.

Pictured below: Shane Kennedy and his baby girl, Taylor Noelle Ken-



Pictured above: Butch Kennedy, Founder of StoneBridge Trucking was asked to explain where the name "StoneBridge" came from.



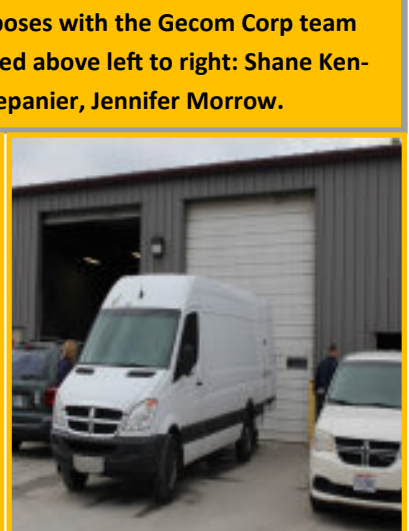
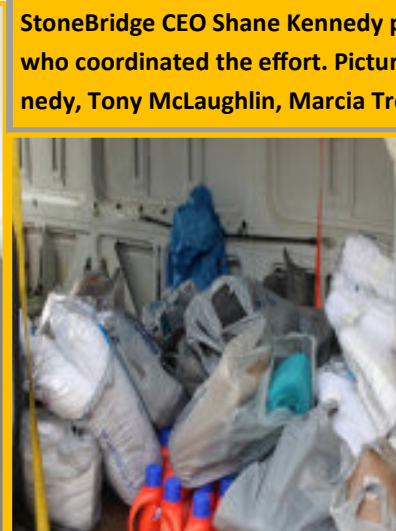
A Story of Service

Operation Gatlinburg

StoneBridge Trucking was proud to be a part of the local effort to send supplies down to the victims of the Gatlinburg wildfire. Gecom Corp and Steel Technologies of Greensburg, IN both contributed in purchasing supplies. StoneBridge transported the purchased supplies to Crum Trucking where they will be shipped to Gatlinburg. Marcia Trepanier of Gecom Corp coordinated the effort.



StoneBridge CEO Shane Kennedy poses with the Gecom Corp team who coordinated the effort. Pictured above left to right: Shane Kennedy, Tony McLaughlin, Marcia Trepanier, Jennifer Morrow.



The Voice of StoneBridge Trucking



It's 1205am on a Tuesday morning, and a StoneBridge customer has a hot expedite needing picked up in Kentucky that morning and delivered to Alabama ASAP. Regardless of the time, they call the StoneBridge dispatch to see if this is possible. Like always, StoneBridge is there to answer the call. Since January 2013, StoneBridge Customers have been accustomed to **one voice** on the other end of the phone, **one name** on the other end of the email, and **ONE** high expectation of professional customer service, and a high level of unmatched courtesy and competency. The person responsible for this is **Garry Hadler. That is why today, you will get to know the person who is *The Voice of StoneBridge Trucking.***

Garry is born and raised in Greensburg, IN. He is a proud father of two boys, and a grandparent. Garry is always proud to show his support for law enforcement. His oldest son Nick, is a police officer and recently had his first child Ty Hadler, 8 months ago. Garry's youngest son Scott, is a CPA and was recently married during a New Year's Eve celebration. Rarely will you see Garry not smiling, and that's easy to understand based on how proud he is of his two sons and grandson. He has been working in auto and truck sales and service since he was 17 years old. In 2011, Garry was having a conversation with his friend Butch Kennedy, when Butch mentioned he needed somebody to help with light vehicle maintenance at StoneBridge Trucking. He worked and drove until Butch underwent knee surgery in 2013, when Butch knew it was time for him to make a change at the Operations / Dispatch desk. Butch said ***"It was time for me to seriously consider retirement. I needed someone competent, energetic, trustworthy, and professional to immediately step in for me"***.

At that point, it was clear that Garry Hadler was the man for the job. Garry is one of the hardest workers out there. From Jan 2013 to Oct 2016, Garry never took a day off, never had a vacation, never took a break from running the entire operation. When asked about this, Garry's response is enlightening. ***"As stressful as this job is at times, I really do enjoy it. I enjoy the variety of hats I get to wear. I enjoy the people I consistently speak with over the phone. I enjoy knowing I am helping them in times of need. And I enjoy our entire StoneBridge team. It's a good job, and I am proud of what I do."***

Behind the company are people. Know the people - Know the person - Know the



Garry poses for a picture with his father David who passed away December 18, 2016.

As happy as Garry is on a consistent basis, that changed on December 18, 2016 when his father, David Hadler, passed away. After a serving in the Army National Guard, David Hadler spent his professional life working as a Banker, and ended his career as a locksmith. Garry has nothing but love and admiration for his father, ***"He was a good, trustworthy, and hardworking man. I love him and I miss him. I am extremely proud to have been his son. He is a very large part of who I am as a man and professional today"***.



Garry holding his newborn grandson, Ty Hadler.

A Story of Service



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Owned



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Veteran
Driven

StoneBridge is proud of its commitment to the service of those who have served and serving. Our company is owned by veterans and is employed by many who have a history of service to their country.



In the Spring of 1964, a Navy Recruiter presented at Arlington HS outside of Rushville, IN. Morris “Butch” Kennedy was listening. Butch grew up on a farm, and was not keen spending the rest of his life working there. His older brother Lloyd Kennedy had served in the Navy, so Butch decided to approach the recruiter and the following conversation occurred:

Butch: *“If I join the Navy, is there any way I could ever end up on a farm?”*

Recruiter: *“You will never be in one place long enough to grow corn.”*

Butch: *“That’s all I need to hear, see you in the Fall.”*

On September 2nd, 1964, Morris Allen Kennedy enlisted in the United States Navy. He remembers his mother being extremely unhappy when he left to attend Basic Training at Naval Station Great Lakes, IL. *“She was scared, she loved me, all moms are scared.”*

After completing his basic training, Butch completed Class A Machinist school on his way to becoming a 3rd Class Petty Officer in the Navy. It was upon graduation, that Butch learned he would be assigned to the USS Kearsarge. Upon arrival, he was both lost and amazed. *“It was the largest ship I had ever seen. I was lost for my first three days aboard, then all of the sudden, the ship was moving.”* At this point, since the ship was underway, he figured he would find out what happened next, *“I asked the closest person I could find what was going on, in which they responded: Son, we are going to Vietnam.”*

Butch would go on to serve in the Navy until he was Honorably Discharged on 30 August, 1968. He is proud of his service and how the experience has positively influenced his life.



Butch poses for his USS Kearsarge Picture.

While serving, he was able to see the world. He visited Hawaii, Yokuska Japan, The Gulf of Tonkin, Singapore, Sasamo Japan, Hong Kong, and the Phillipines.

Importantly, it opened his mind up to the world while allowing him to appreciate home. *At first I was incredibly homesick, but I was so thankful for the opportunity to serve. As I traveled the world, it made me appreciate other cultures, religions, and people, while developing a deep appreciation for the United States. My service in the Navy still directly reflects on who I am as a person, and my company, StoneBridge Trucking. It was one of the best decisions I have ever made.*



A STORY OF SERVICE

In 1972, Donald "Ziggy" Ziegenfus contemplated a decision many were pondering in 1972: *Join the military, or wait to be drafted?* At that time, Ziggy had a brother-in-law in the US Navy, and was not drawn towards the Army. On a Spring afternoon, his mother drove him to a recruiting office and signed the paperwork herself, allowing him to enlist in the US Navy at the young age of 17. *"I was ready. On June 6th I graduated high school, and by June 27th, I was at boot camp in Great Lakes, IL."*



Early in his career, Ziggy spent time stateside in Little Creek, VA onboard the USS Atakapa (ATF-149) and at a Naval Sub Base in New London, CT. During his time at New London, he was ready for a career in the Navy. *"While in New London, I reenlisted for Navy Yeoman school, and new at that I point I would serve for 20 years."* After a short stint at Patuxent River, MD, Ziggy received orders to serve at what would turn out to be his favorite tour of his career: **Navy Controller Shipping Office - Bahrain**. Bahrain is a small island off the coast of Saudi Arabia, and Ziggy served at this Middle East location from 75' - 79'. *Bahrain is very different from many think of the Middle East, it is a very westernized country with no fanatical influence. I lived off base the entire time while stationed there.* Ziggy also enjoyed

the fact that there were only approximately 40 personnel serving on his base at the time, and thoroughly enjoyed being part of the Commanding Middle East Force.

As much as Ziggy enjoyed Bahrain, he had many more rewarding tours of service ahead of him. In 1980, he was stationed in London, England at the Fleet Ocean Surveillance Intelligence Center. *"It was a different experience, I never wore a uniform. I wore a suit and tie every day."* After London, Ziggy would spend 5 years in Washington, DC performing in many different roles. Amongst them was working for the Chief of Naval Operations as an Assistant Flag Writer as well as working for the Defense Intelligence Agency.



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In 1988, Ziggy's career was winding down, but one of his most proudest moments was still in front of him. At this point in his career, Ziggy had returned to the Middle East and was serving in Saudi Arabia as part of the US Navy Detachment - US Military Training Mission. It was here that he assisted in training the Saudi Arabian Military on minesweepers and patrol boats. While serving in Saudi Arabia, Ziggy would achieve what many enlisted Sailors spend their careers working towards:

The promotion to Chief Petty Officer.

US Navy Chief Petty Officers are the absolute backbone of the US Navy. Ask any Junior Officer in the Navy who they depend on the most.



Ziggy enjoys Thanksgiving dinner in Saudi Arabia.

“The most important person that determines the success of the mission and the growth of our Sailors is the Chief Petty Officer”. After being promoted to Chief in 1990, Ziggy would eventually retire from the US Navy in 1992. ***“My 20 years of service went extremely fast. I served during the Cold War, Vietnam, and Gulf War. I learned what it meant to “take responsibility” and “be accountable”. Since 14 years old, I have had 5 jobs: Burger Chef, US Navy, Funeral Director, Hotel Night Audit, and Stonebridge Trucking. Its rare to spend a life working without moving from job-to-job, and I am proud of that.”***

Given Ziggy's history of Honorable Service, he feels a connection to Stonebridge Trucking and its motto:

American Veteran Owned - American Veteran Driven.

“Part of our job is to be dedicated and responsible to our customers. This was no different than the dedication and responsibility I had to my Sailors and shipmates while serving. I really enjoy working with the other operators at Stonebridge who also served and feeling connection on those who have served can appreciate.”



The Genesis of StoneBridge Trucking

Where did the word “Stonebridge” in Stonebridge Trucking come from? Last December, during the Stonebridge Christmas party, that question was posed to the company’s founder, Butch Kennedy. During the 80’s, Butch lived

outside of Greensburg, IN in which there was an old stone bridge he crossed every day to get home. One day, after receiving a lot of rain, the river the bridge crossed flooded and the bridge was highly damaged and half of it collapsed deeming it structurally unsafe to utilize. Butch’s father, Paul Kennedy, was well into his 80’s when he decided that day, he wanted to see his son. The authorities had yet to blockade the bridge to prevent utilization, when he remembers seeing his father after he had crossed the bridge.

Butch vividly recalls the conversation he had with his elderly father. ***“I came home, and to my surprise, my father was waiting for me on my porch with his socks and shoes off. He crossed another flooded bridge prior to crossing the old stone bridge in front of my house. I said Dad, why in the world did you cross that bridge, you could have been killed?”*** His Dad responded simply ***“I wanted to see my son”***. Shortly after this exchange, the county authorities arrived and assessed the damage and shut down the bridge entirely. Butch remembers thinking to himself ***“My father is the last person to crossed that old stone bridge”***.



Stonebridge Transit crossing the renovated “Old Stone Bridge” outside of Greensburg, IN.



Butch Kennedy explaining where the name “Stonebridge” came from during the company

In 1992 Butch Kennedy started Stonebridge Antiques and would later go on to found Stonebridge Trucking in 1999 when his son left for the military. ***“I no longer needed insurance for Shane once he joined the military, so I took a chance at working for myself, and gave the trucking industry a shot”***. Butch started the company with 2 trucks, and would only drive on the weekends when he had free time from his original job. ***“We registered my pickup truck for expedites and had a 1992 Ford F-350 with a 16ft box on the back. I was so extremely appreciative when Batesville Tool and Die gave us our first load”***.

Butch worked extremely hard to start the company, took a chance, and is proud of the results. ***“I am proud that it worked, and am proud of what it stands for. When I see the name StoneBridge, I always think back to my father on that day. He wanted to see his son, and nothing was going to stop him from doing that.”***

A STORY OF SERVICE

In April 2017, StoneBridge CEO Shane Kennedy, traveled to Bahrain to complete his Annual Training for the US Navy Reserve. Referenced early in the newsletter when outlining StoneBridge Operator Donald Ziegenfus' Navy Career, Bahrain is small island off the coast of Saudi Arabia in the Arabian Sea. Like his family, he was a bit reluctant prior to leaving. ***"I spent time in Iskenderun, Turkey at the beginning of Operation Iraqi Freedom in 2003, but that was the only Middle Eastern country I had experienced to date. Yes, I was a little reluctant to fly 14 hours***



Bahrain is located off the coast of Saudi Arabia in the Arabian Sea.

across the world for two weeks of training, but glad I did it."

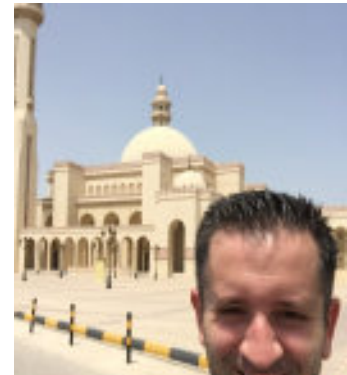


LT Kennedy poses with Mr. Mario Gayanilo, who shared his office with Shane for 2 weeks.

As a Supply Officer, LT Shane Kennedy worked as an Assistant Air Logistics Officer for U.S. Naval Forces Central Command - CTF 53. While supporting the CTF 53 mission, he supported the FIFTH Fleet AOR, including USS MAKIN ISLAND Expeditionary Strike Group and USS GEORGE W. BUSH Carrier Strike Group.

Along with this, he oversaw a variety of tasks including Cargo and Mail management and worked directly for civilian personnel at the CTF 53 air passenger terminal. During this

period, he received training to oversee the Air Force Air Mobility Command's palletizing procedures, which successfully built cargo pallets for operational units throughout the CENTRAL COMMAND Area of Operations.



Shane visited the Grand Mosque and received an English speaking tour.

Bahrain is an extremely safe country where all military families stationed there actually live off base on the economy. While there, there was an F1 Race where Enrique Iglesias was in concert. Pictured above right, he was able to visit the Grand Mosque and received an English speaking tour. ***"The entire experience was beyond enlightening. At first, when driving from the airport, I was very concerned about my surroundings, but that quickly changed. Regardless of what I see on TV, I now know there are countries in the Middle East who, while sharing a predominately different religion, share the same values we do. They want freedom, peace, and to enjoy life. I was made aware of this while there. I was privileged to have received this experience while serving."***

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