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A Letter from the Founder

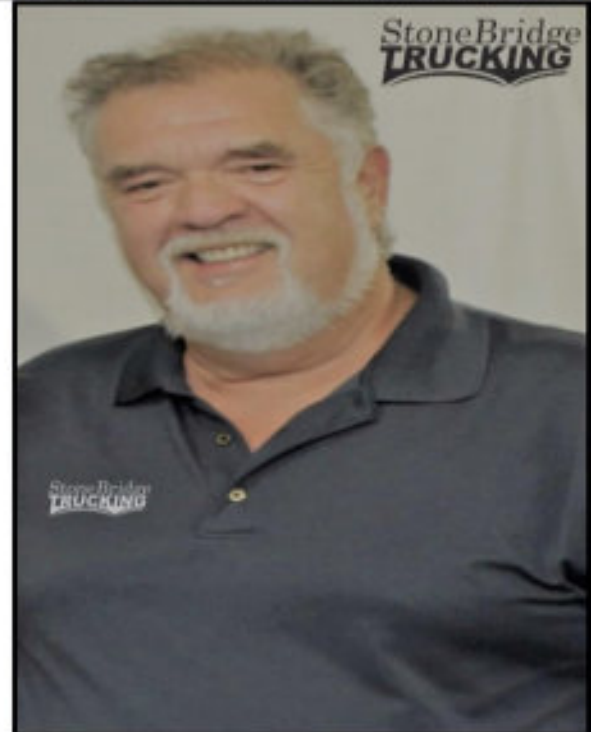
When I started this company in 1999, I had a vision for an expediting company for the future. I wanted an honest, hard-working organization that I could be proud of. Along with this, I wanted to build something that I could leave behind. I saw StoneBridge Trucking as my legacy. Upon starting StoneBridge, 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.

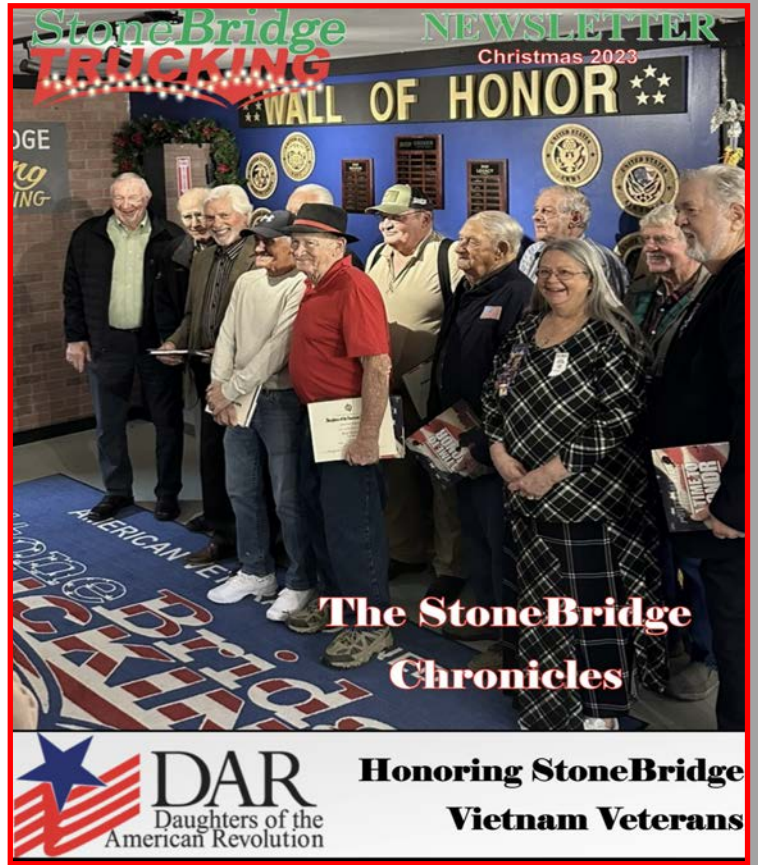
With the addition of my son, Brad Stephens, JD McClintic, and the time put in by Doug Spon and Charlie Mann, Operations, Finance, Safety and Compliance, Maintenance, and Human Resources are now operational within StoneBridge Trucking. Importantly, we are blessed today to have the best fleet of drivers 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

2023





The StoneBridge Chronicles



**Honoring StoneBridge
Vietnam Veterans**

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On Saturday December 2nd, 2023, StoneBridge Trucking hosted their annual Christmas Party, a night filled with joy, laughter, and a touch of magic. The event brought together the StoneBridge Operations Team, their families, loved ones, and over 100 guests, including many StoneBridge customers. The evening was truly enchanting, with Santa Claus making a special appearance and Wintz Catering providing a delightful meal.

The event was chronicled by Daniel Fayette, capturing the essence of the night. However, what made this evening so incredibly magical? Firstly, the presence of Santa Claus brought an undeniable sense of wonder and excitement to the children in attendance. As Santa made his grand entrance, the room was filled with gasps of delight and wide-eyed amazement. The children eagerly lined up to sit on Santa's lap, sharing their Christmas wishes and receiving small gifts. Santa's presence added a touch of enchantment to the evening, reminding everyone of the joy and magic that the holiday season brings.



Secondly, the excellent meal provided by Wintz Catering contributed to the magical atmosphere of the evening. The aroma of delicious food filled the air, enticing everyone's taste buds. The carefully prepared dishes were not only visually appealing but also incredibly flavorful, leaving everyone satisfied and content. The shared experience of enjoying a scrumptious meal together fostered a sense of unity and warmth among the attendees, further enhancing the magical ambiance of the night.

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. “

~ Shane Kennedy, StoneBridge CEO

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Furthermore, the awards presented during the event added an element of recognition and celebration. StoneBridge CEO Shane Kennedy took the opportunity to acknowledge and appreciate the hard work and dedication of the entire team. Each member was recognized for their exceptional contributions to the company. From Bill Mattingly's outstanding craftsmanship in the Headquarters Renovation to Kelly Rader's hard work with the cargo van fleet, every individual's achievements were celebrated. This recognition not only boosted morale but also created a sense of pride and accomplishment, making the evening even memorable.



Monroe Kennedy was thrilled to meet Santa



Pictured Above: Leo Redding had no doubt that he was happy to meet The Big Guy and his smile provide it.



Pictured Left : Beckett Kennedy wasn't sure about Santa Claus but attempted to "smile" regardless.

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StoneBridge Trucking 2023 Awards

◆◆ *Driver of the Year* ◆◆

Terry Hogg

◆◆ *Rookie of the Year* ◆◆

John Bevis

◆◆ *Expeditor of the Year* ◆◆

Kelly Rader

◆◆ *Fleet Impact* ◆◆

Bill Mattingly

◆◆ *6th Man Award* ◆◆

Buzz Holcomb

◆◆ *Legacy Award* ◆◆

Cindy Moton

Rita Mozingo



Buzz Holcomb receives the 6th Man Award

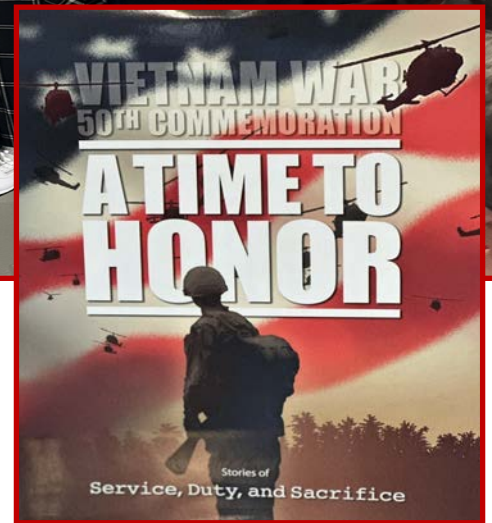


Bill Mattingly receives the Fleet Impact Award for his role in helping transform StoneBridge during the renovation.



Kelly Rader embraces Shane Kennedy after receiving the Expeditor of the Year award.

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Additionally, the surprise visit from the Daughters of the American Revolution added a heartfelt and touching moment to the event.

The organization presented all Vietnam Era veterans in attendance with a special book “*A Time to Honor*”, acknowledging their service and sacrifice. This unexpected gesture of gratitude touched the hearts of many, reminding them of the importance of honoring and appreciating those who have served their country. The emotional impact of this presentation added an extra layer of enchantment to the evening, leaving a lasting impression on all those present. In conclusion, the StoneBridge Trucking annual Christmas Party on December 2nd, 2023, was an incredibly charming evening for all those in attendance.

The presence of Santa Claus, the delicious meal provided by Wintz Catering, the recognition through awards, and the surprise visit from the Daughters of the American Revolution all contributed to the captivating atmosphere. This event served as a reminder of the joy, unity, and gratitude that the holiday season brings. It was a night filled with laughter, love, and cherished memories, making it truly magical.

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Shane Kennedy and Brad Stephens were presented with Certificates of Appreciation from Julie Pyland and the Daughters of the Revolution.

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A local trucking company honored Vietnam-era veterans last night

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StoneBridge Trucking honors Vietnam-era veterans



From Left to Right: TOP: StoneBridge Past Legacy Award Winners Bill Fields and Louis Kinker snap a picture with their books. 2020 6th Man of Year, Carroll Henneke poses for a picture with his "A Time to Honor" book presented by the Daughters of the American Revolution.

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THE STONEBRIDGE JACKET & VEST

When the jackets and vests 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.



Bill Mattingly shoots a driver testimonial for the upcoming new and improved StoneBridge Trucking website.



Keith Scheible poses for a picture with his wife and daughter.

Pictured Rightt: Dale, Maria, and Kykee Wessler gave Shane and his family a beautiful custom step stool. Something Monroe and Beckett Kennedy will use often.



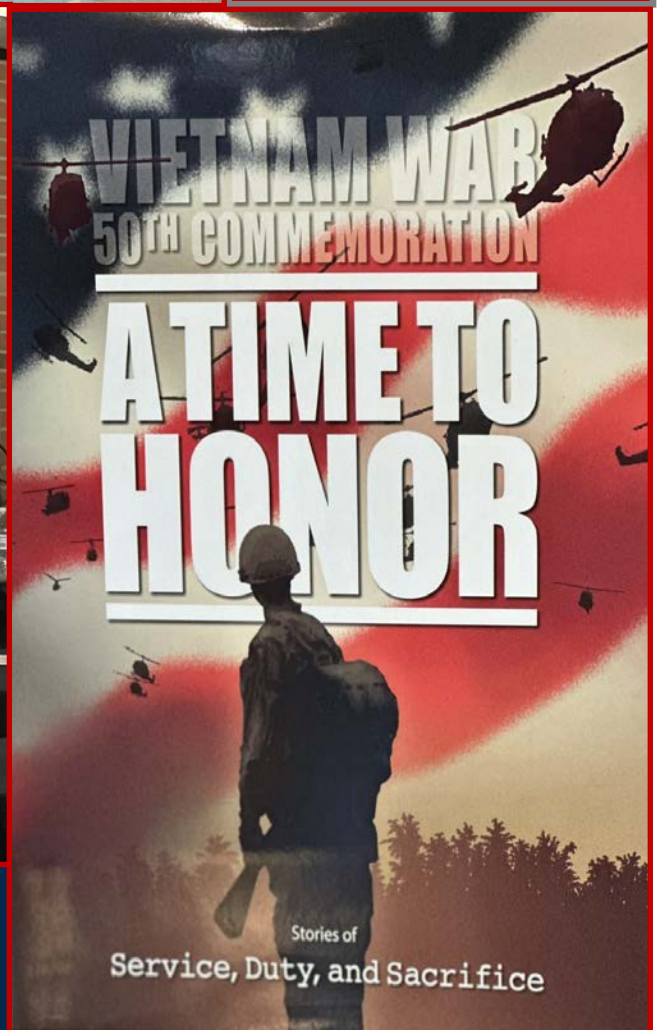
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Pictured left: Mark "Shark" Scheidler and his wife Paula.



Julie Pyland and fellow members of the Daughters of the American Revolution prepare to honor all StoneBridge Vietnam Veterans with the book "A Time to Honor"



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Louis Kinker and Butch Kennedy discuss the early years of StoneBridge Trucking.



Kutis Zapfe and Santa Claus compare beards.



Lifelong friends Robin Ross, Ryan Ross, and Shane Kennedy take a picture with their kiddos.

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Santa Claus is surrounded by kiddos immediately as he arrives to the StoneBridge Christmas Party.



Over 100 people were in attendance for the evening's yuletide festivities.

Kutis Zapfe and Santa Claus compare beards.



The StoneBridge Pub

As the evening drew down, many were ready for the “VIP” after Party.



Jimmy Rowland of Rowland Graphics takes a picture with The 812 Founder Stephen Harmeyer and his guest.



StoneBridge Operators Patti Pleak and Kelly Rader pose for a picture with friends.

The StoneBridge Pub



A picture of StoneBridge Founder Butch Kennedy that is deserving of an entire page.

The StoneBridge Pub



Pictured right:
JD McClintic
leads a round of
little beers

Pictured Left:
Decide for your-
self.



Pictured right:
Mark Rethlake
captured
having fun.

Pictured Left:
JD McClintic
and Tearstin
Jett embracing
the hats





Story of Service

TREES FOR TROOPS

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This year, US Navy Veteran and StoneBridge Operator Buzz Holcomb was tapped to support our commitment to Trees for Troops. For over 17 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.

"I am proud of my service in the US Navy. I enjoy working with other Veterans at StoneBridge, and getting an opportunity to deliver Trees for Troops was an honor"

~ Buzz Holcomb



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A DAY TO REMEMBER: The StoneBridge Open House

The StoneBridge Chronicles: Bill Rethlake of the Greensburg Daily News Chronicles StoneBridge.

A visit from Indiana Secretary of State Diego Morales



On Saturday June 24th, StoneBridge Trucking had a monumental day. With the help of the Batesville and Greensburg Decatur County Chambers of Commerce, The 812, WRBI, WTRE, State Representative Randy Frye, and Jacob Nobbe productions, the StoneBridge Open House was a day to be remembered. Both WRBI and WTRE broadcasted live from the front of StoneBridge Trucking with live radio interviews along with live video interviews conducted every 15 minutes.

At noon, Keller Williams Real Estate Agent Doug Fredbeck recognized Butch Kennedy as the founder of StoneBridge Trucking. Following Doug was Franklin County Republican Party Chairman John Moton who introduced State Representative Randy Frye who presented US Navy Veteran Buzz Holcomb with a flag from the Indiana State House recognizing his service in the US Navy in celebration of his 80th Birthday. Closing out the day, Shane Kennedy invited the StoneBridge Team to join both Chambers of Commerce in the Ribbon Cutting ceremony.



Congratulations!

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RIBBON CUTTING RECAP 🎉✂️ We rarely have a collaborative Ribbon Cutting but when we do, it is a BIG celebration! We hosted a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on Saturday with the [Batesville Area Chamber of Commerce](#) for [StoneBridge Trucking](#)!

StoneBridge Trucking is dedicated to dedicated trucking! American Veteran Owned and American Veteran Driven. StoneBridge is a local, family-owned trucking company based in Greensburg, Indiana, specializing in expediting and small-load trucking. With a fleet of box trucks, sprinter, and cargo vans, StoneBridge can deliver anywhere in the United States and Ontario, Canada.

Butch Kennedy is the founder of StoneBridge Trucking and is the father of StoneBridge CEO Shane Kennedy. In 1990, Butch started StoneBridge Trucking with one mission: Bridge our Customers to Theirs and now has over 45 years of transportation and logistics experience!

It was a special Ribbon Cutting Ceremony with stories and the history of StoneBridge Trucking shared, truck drivers and their families in attendance, live broadcasts by [WRBI Radio 103.9](#) and [WTRE](#), as well as State Representative, Randy Frye, in attendance as a Keynote Speaker.

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- **Local Radio Stations:** live broadcast from StoneBridge Trucking
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Over 125 people attended the event to celebrate StoneBridge Trucking, their renovation, history, progress, and path moving forward into the future.

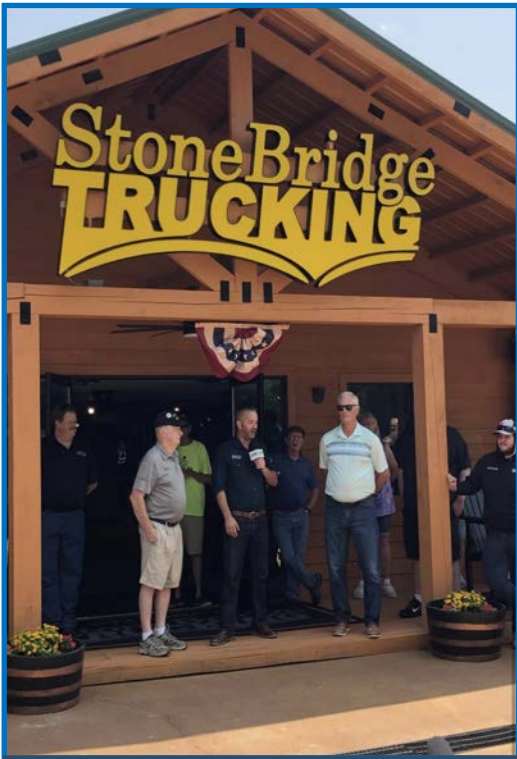


Down Lowe of the Greensburg Chamber of Commerce interviews StoneBridge CEO Shane Kennedy on Facebook Live.



Kathy Verseman of WTRE Radio interviews Ken Inscho & Brad Stephens Live on air.





Randy Frye

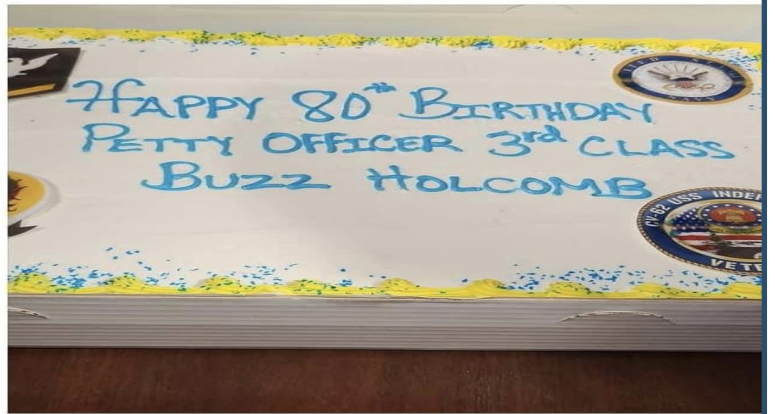
Indiana House of Representatives District 67.

Representative Frye was kind enough to help host the event and recognize Us Navy Veteran Buzz Holcomb for his service and celebrate his 80th Birthday.



Melissa Holcomb-Moore 1d ·

Congratulations Shane Kennedy & the StoneBridge Trucking family on your grand opening!! The Holcomb family would also like to thank them for the amazing 80th birthday surprise they put on for my dad **Boyd Holcomb** (Buzz)!!





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Brent Lee and his team at WRBI joined Stone-Bridge and were an integral part for live on air coverage, along with helping Jacob Nobbe productions and The 812 gather coverage of the event for the documentary production.





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StoneBridge Expediting and Small Load Trucking at the junction of SR 46 and S Co Rd 600 E is a growing company that considers itself a “family,” and proves it by taking care of its people, and giving back to its community.

With a fleet of fourteen box trucks ranging in size from 16 to 24 feet and skid transit vans in 3, 2, and 1 skid sizes, StoneBridge delivers small to large loads to all 48 states and, according to CEO Shane Kennedy, StoneBridge “can have someone on the job in an hour.”

Experienced, licensed drivers are allowed to choose their loads, driving hours and time off and StoneBridge is hiring.



A History of Growth

President and founder Butch Kennedy worked in Greenburg at Delta Faucet Company but wanted something more. He purchased an ailing antique store on I46 where StoneBridge is currently, and ran it, adding expediting services later.

In 2013, having grown the fleet to 4 box trucks, Butch needed knee replacement and wanted to retire, so he handed the responsibility to local businessman Garry Hadler, who grew the company until his retirement in 2017. At that time, Brad Stephens was added to the team as Fleet Operator.

By 2019, the company had tripled their fleet and their client list and began searching for a larger location. That same year, Kennedy's son Shane retired to the reserves and took the helm at StoneBridge

Fleet Maintenance Manager JD McClintic and Dispatch Brock Bayless. Company staff is now 23 total personnel, and according to Shane, "Everyone is a driver at StoneBridge." As friends for many years, Shane and Ops Manager Stephens confess they often "agree to disagree," but some values are never argued, because both believe in "family, faith and service to country" as key to growing the business.

Service to Country

Stephens and Kennedy have both served their country- Stephens retired from the Army after 14 years, and Kennedy is in Air Force reservist as part of a 24 year career. He was recently promoted to the rank of Major.



Owner Butch Kennedy served in active duty in Vietnam and so duty to country is inbred to all three men. Both Shane and Brad take pride in honoring those who have served and are serving, and many are drivers for the company. Those men are honored in the annual “Year in Review,” where their names and their stories are featured. One such feature is about StoneBridge operator and US Navy Veteran Boyd “Buzz” Holcomb, whose own father was a veteran. Buzz enlisted in the Navy in 1960, because he knew getting drafted during Viet Nam was inevitable.

The Navy seemed a good fit, and Buzz went to NATTO Jacksonville to study Aviation Administration before serving in the Gulf of Mexico during the Cuban Missile Crisis. US Navy Veteran Bill Pike is another Operator Veteran working at StoneBridge.

Driving a bus for the Shelby school system full time, he spends his summer, Christmas and spring breaks driving for StoneBridge. Pike joined the Navy in 1988 to become and Aircrew Survival Technician/Parachute rigger.

Graduating top in his class, he joined the e-@ Hawkeye Surveillance Squadron in Miramar, California, where he 3 ½ years attached to the USS Carl Vinson and later, the USS Kitty Hawk.

Service to Country

Bob King is another veteran driver for StoneBridge.

King enlisted as a Boatswain Mate and attended boot camp at Naval Station Great Lakes before being stationed at Norfolk Virginia with the Nuclear Weapons Training center. In 1965 he took a deployment on the USS Nimble.

Pictures of Operator veterans line the walls on the newly remodeled StoneBridge Dispatch Headquarters.



The newsletter (actually, the bound magazine) is sent to clients all over the country and for an interesting reason. “I want those clients to be able to put a name with a face when they meet their operator. And it’s important that our clients know when our operators have military

Pictured Right (Left to Right) are StoneBridge Operators and US Military Veterans Carroll Henneke (US Navy), Kim Curtis (US Army), and Buzz Holcomb (US Navy).



Faith

Stephens refers to a biblical passage about community service when he talks about his faith and its importance at StoneBridge.

When stormy weather and destructive tornadoes hit Western Kentucky hard in March of this year, Stephens knew that StoneBridge needed to do something to help.

Taking donations from locals, drivers from StoneBridge took 5 trucks and a van full of relief items. They did the same for the Eastern Kentucky Floods.

StoneBridge shipped supplies from Gecom and Steel Technologies for the victims of the Gatlinburg Wildfires.

StoneBridge has partnered with Bohman Tree Farm since 2003 by donating delivery of Christmas trees to troops stationed around the world.



Greensburg Daily News Journalist Bill Rethlake

"It's all about giving back to the reason we're here," he said.

"We have so much work to do at StoneBridge, but when people hear our name, I don't want a dollar sign attached to it. I want them know that we have the resources to help people achieve their goals, and that we offer them a reasonable way to do it." Said Shane.

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Indiana Secretary of State Diego Morales is a Statesman, a US Military Veteran, a Patriot, and now a Politician. But before all of these accomplishments, positions, and opportunities of service, Diego Morales and Shane Kennedy were friends. Dating back to 2005, they crossed paths in Bloomington, Indiana. Shane Kennedy was the Chairman of the IU College Republicans and Diego was a field representative for Congressman Mike Sodrell. They worked closely together on Congressman Sodrell's campaign.

"I never met anyone more Patriotic, and have a better story of the American Dream than Diego Morales. He is an inspiration to all of us."

~ Shane Kennedy





StoneBridge Trucking is 🥰 feeling grateful.

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We had a special visitor today when longtime friend and Indiana Secretary of State Diego Morales stopped by to meet our team and see our progress.



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June 15, 2023

StoneBridge Trucking
Mr. Shane Kennedy,

Congratulations on the opening of StoneBridge Trucking. We are so excited you chose Greensburg as the home for your new business.

I know it takes a lot of hard work to open any business. Take a minute to be proud of your dedication and all the hours you've put in to finally get to this day. Let me be one of the first to say: thank you for investing in our great state. The trucking industry is such an invaluable asset to our state, region, and country.

As your Secretary of State, our office is responsible for the Business Services Division. We want to make sure when an entrepreneur decides to start a business, that idea becomes a reality. Indiana has taken great strides to set up a straightforward, inexpensive, and secure approach for all Hoosier business owners with our INBiz online resource. Indiana strives to help businesses from large corporations to small shops.

I'm confident there isn't a better place than here, in the Hoosier state to start and grow your business.

We are here to help you, work alongside you, and ensure you succeed. If our office can assist in any way, please don't hesitate to reach out to us at 317-232-6531.

Once again, congratulations and good luck. I look forward to stopping back in soon.

In service,

Diego Morales

Diego Morales
Secretary of State

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StoneBridge Antiques in the 90's

In the Fall of 2019, StoneBridge CEO recognized the need for expansion and took the necessary steps to make it happen. The company was fortunate enough to develop an Operation Center directly across the street, as outlined in the 22nd Edition of the StoneBridge Newsletter in the Fall of 2021. This expansion marked a significant milestone for StoneBridge, as it solidified its roots where StoneBridge Antiques had originally begun. With the decision to permanently remain and grow in this location, StoneBridge Headquarters (formerly StoneBridge Antiques) was in dire need of an upgrade. Although the renovations were initially planned to start in the Summer of 2022, customer demand led to a postponement until October. A dedicated team of four individuals, Shane Kennedy, Bill Mattingly, Butch Kennedy, and Trenton Stephens, worked tirelessly for two months to complete the interior renovations in time for the StoneBridge Christmas Party. In February 2023, the team began the exterior work. This essay aims to highlight the reasons why our customers should appreciate the remarkable renovation job done by the StoneBridge Team.

The StoneBridge Team's renovation project at StoneBridge Headquarters was a significant undertaking that aimed to enhance the overall experience for its Operations Team, and community. The team's dedication and attention to detail resulted in a transformed and upgraded space that reflects the company's commitment to excellence. This essay will explore the various aspects of the renovation, including the interior and exterior improvements, and provide examples of how these enhancements contribute to a more enjoyable and efficient customer experience.



In October, the windows are boarded up in anticipation of the front door installation.



StoneBridge Operator and retired Contractor Bill Mattingly spearheaded the entire renovation. He was the lead carpenter on the entire renovation.



Former conference room now has a seating area, book shelves, and industrial brick look

Improved Functionality:

In addition to the aesthetic upgrades, the StoneBridge Team also prioritized improving the functionality of the space. They reconfigured the layout to optimize workflow and efficiency, ensuring that customers can navigate the premises seamlessly. For example, the team redesigned the reception area to provide a more organized and streamlined check-in process. They also created designated spaces for meetings and consultations, allowing for more personalized and focused interactions with customers.



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We really enjoyed hosting Decatur County Executive Director Bryan Robbins along with members of the Indiana Economic Development Corporation yesterday.





Bill Mattingly enjoys a “refreshment” at the StoneBridge Coffee Bar.



Enhanced Aesthetics:

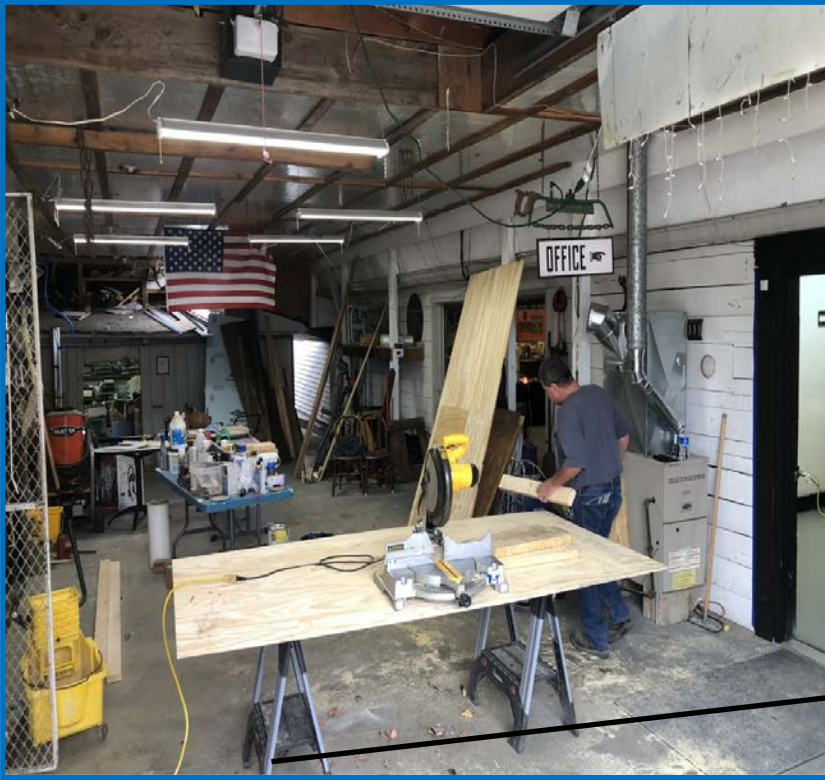
The renovation project at StoneBridge Headquarters focused on improving the overall aesthetics of the building. The team carefully selected modern and visually appealing materials, colors, and designs to create a welcoming and professional atmosphere. For instance, the interior renovations included the installation of new flooring, fresh paint, and updated lighting fixtures. These changes not only revitalized the space but also created a more visually pleasing environment for customers to

Enhanced Comfort: Customer, staff, and Operations Team comfort was a key consideration throughout the renovation process. The team made significant improvements to the HVAC system, ensuring a comfortable temperature and air quality within the building. Additionally, they invested in ergonomic furniture and seating arrangements to provide all guests with a comfortable and relaxing experience. By prioritizing Operations Team comfort, StoneBridge aims to create a welcoming environment that fosters positive interactions and long-lasting relationships.





The renovation job undertaken by the StoneBridge Team at StoneBridge Headquarters was enjoyed by all during its recent Open House. The team's dedication and meticulous attention to detail have resulted in a transformed and upgraded space that enhances the overall team & customer experience. From the enhanced aesthetics to the improved functionality and increased comfort, every aspect of the renovation was carefully planned and executed to ensure customer satisfaction. StoneBridge remains committed to providing exceptional service, and the renovation project is a testament to this commitment. The efforts made by the StoneBridge Team to create a welcoming and professional environment that reflects the company's values and dedication to excellence are at the forefront of the company.

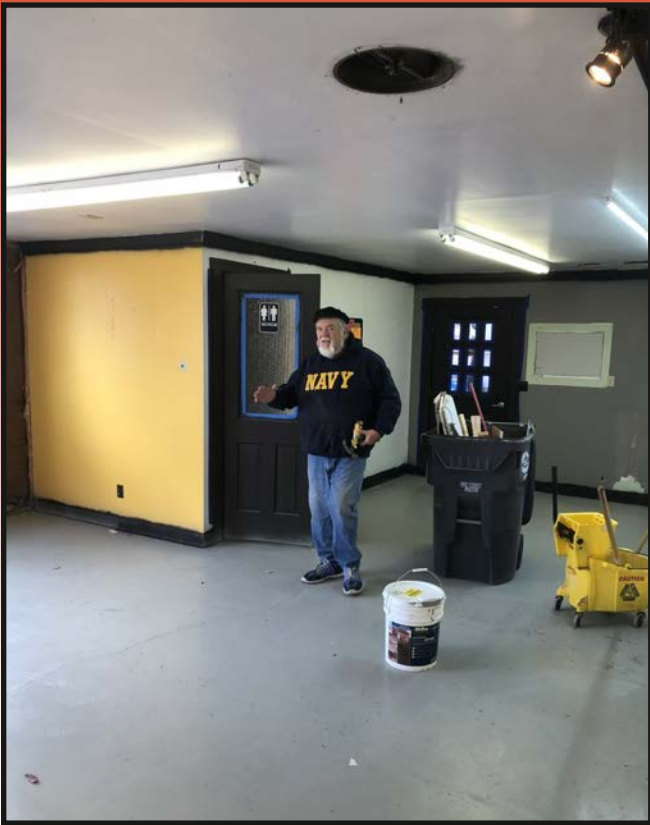


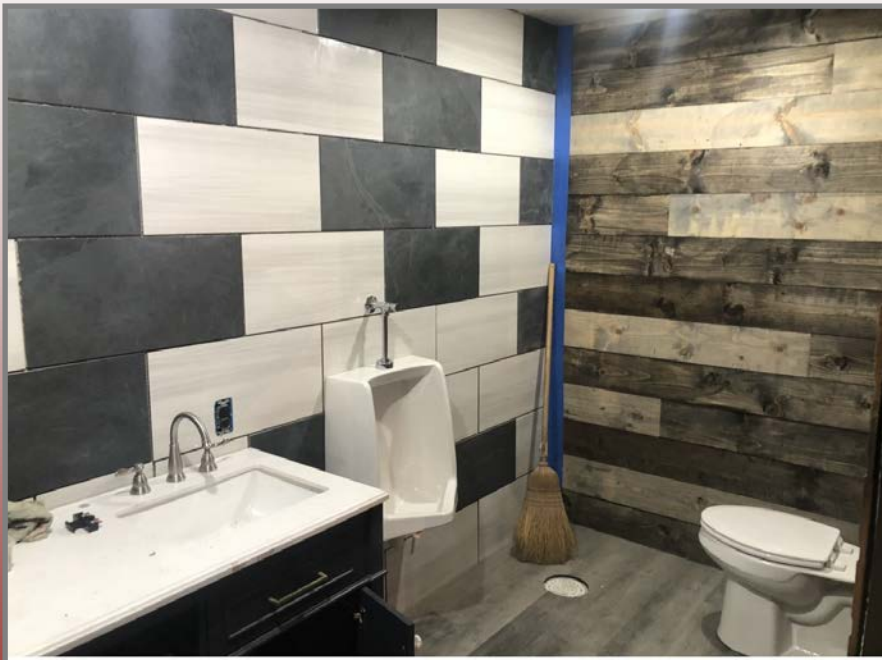
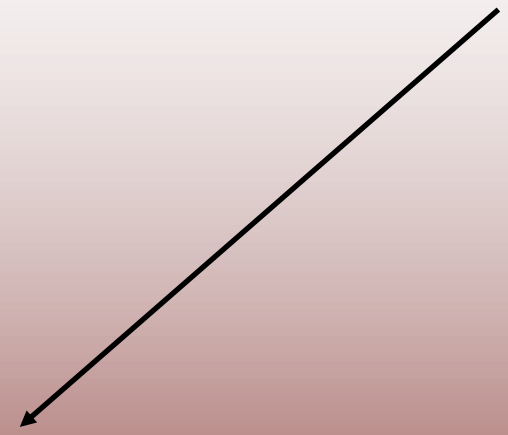
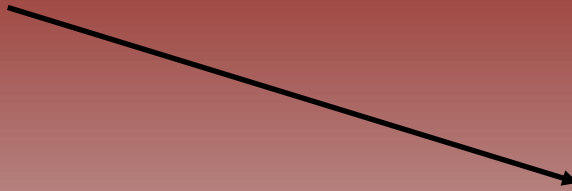




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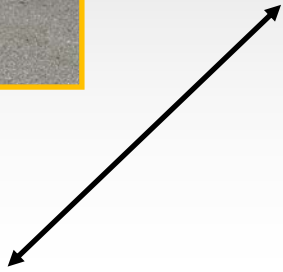


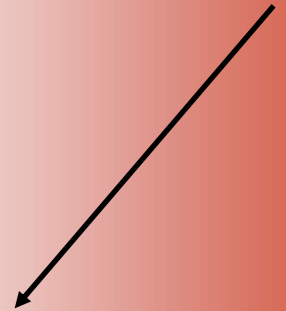




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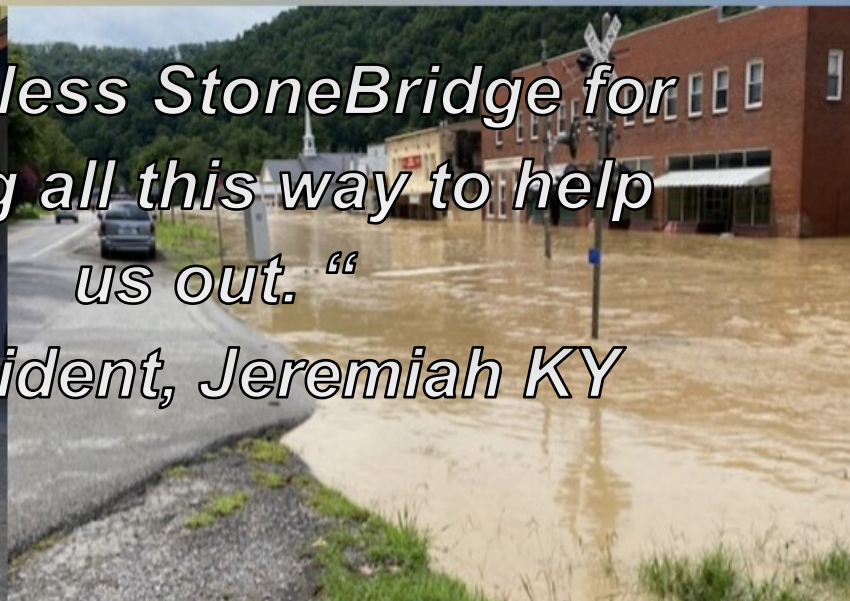
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A STORY OF COMMUNITY SERVICE



In the Spring of this year, we had the privilege of running a “*Story of Service*” that showed another side of StoneBridge Trucking and the people who choose to be a part of its work family. The entire issue focused on the effort to assist Western Kentucky after their world had been devastated during the Christmas season. What started as a “*Story of Service*” originating in the mind of StoneBridge Operations Manager Brad Stephens, ended up being a “*Story of COMMUNITY Service*” where many of those in the surrounding towns, neighborhoods, and counties utilized the newly built StoneBridge Operations Center as the central hub to drop off a variety of items. This resulted in a convoy of StoneBridge trucks and vans fully loaded with StoneBridge Operators donating their time and destined for Western Kentucky. The effort turned out to be a true success, and StoneBridge successfully spearheaded its first relief and community service & relief effort.

We are pleased the word has spread throughout many parts of Indiana, and recently StoneBridge was asked to assist again. This time, StoneBridge embarked on an effort of relief to the Eastern side of Kentucky. As many of you know, Eastern Kentucky has been devastated by flooding leaving many homeless, without power, and like their brothers and sisters to the West, having had their lives upended. This has prompted many to take action in support of the relief effort. One of these people, Jason Smith of NTN Columbus had a personal connection to Eastern Kentucky.

“I grew up in Blackey, this is my hometown. I know everyone. I had to help.”

Jason’s mother, Donna Riddle started collecting at her church as did his Aunt Norma Jo Brook. Along with this, donations from his friends and coworkers started pouring in. Stephanie Sills of Camp Atterbury also donated comforters & toiletry bags. This prompted him to reach out to Nathan Wiley at NTN about a box truck company that could help. ***“I told him of a few and mentioned StoneBridge was a Veteran Owned Company out of Greensburg.”*** Jason reached out and spoke with Brad Stephens. He was thrilled when we insisted to transport everything for free.

StoneBridge Operator Kelly Rader visits Eastern Kentucky

"We are thrilled to help. As we did last Christmas, regardless of us being in Indiana, **these** are our American Brothers and Sisters, we are always thrilled to help".

~ Brad Stephens, StoneBridge Operations Manger

When Brad committed StoneBridge to the effort, Kelly Rader was his first call. Like StoneBridge, Kelly insisted she took the run for free. On a Friday morning, Kelly loaded up a small StoneBridge box truck and was committed to an early morning delivery the following day at Larry Tolliver's garage in Jeremiah, Kentucky. Larry Tolliver, amongst many, proved to be one of the heroes of this story. Facing many personal physical ailments, along with coping with the flooding and the structural damage to his property, Larry scraped out 6 inches of mud from his extremely large barn to ensure it would be available as a delivery location for all outside donations.



Many volunteers from the community stopped everything to assist in unloading

A STORY OF COMMUNITY SERVICE



An Eastern Kentucky work together to salvage as many of their belongings as possible.

" I was thrilled to do the job. It was humbling seeing neighbors helping neighbors. People who had lost everything helped each other, and people like Larry persevered and worked for his community. The campgrounds are full of tents, and people are living in their cars. I was shocked at what I saw and was happy we could do our part."

~ **StoneBridge Operator Kelly Rader**

Kelly also mentioned how the churches seemed to be central to the relief effort citing that she did not see any FEMA authorities, or the presence of the National Guard, but rather, the local churches were the ones spearheading the food tents. Lastly, Kelly took away an experience we can all be humbled by:

"People were so thankful we were there. I was told at one point, a person when out of their way to approach me and say "God Bless Stone-Bridge for coming all the way down from Indiana to help out."

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Veteran
Owned



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.



A STORY OF COMMUNITY SERVICE

As we were finishing up this newsletter, we received the following from Jason Smith:

“ First and most importantly I can’t thank you folks enough for the generosity and support from your company and staff. Myself and many folks in Eastern Ky are and will forever be grateful for your support and willingness to assist in the transport of relief supplies.

I was compelled to help and start the process of gathering supply donations immediately the day after the flooding occurred on July 29th, as I’m from Letcher County, Ky (one of the hardest affected counties) I moved to Columbus almost 9 years ago from there for better job opportunities. Watching my hometown, friends, families, and lifelong neighbors from a far as the level of devastation was revealed compelled me to act quickly and I started at once asking co-workers, local churches, local friends and families here in the area for any donations of supplies they could donate.

It was heartbreaking seeing my friends, cousins, and folks I grew up with lose their homes and possessions they had worked for their entire lives. I wanted to do something to help and knowing my hometown people had a desperate need for the necessities I thought that would be the best thing I could do was to gather supplies and get them down there. I was quickly overwhelmed with a lot of supplies and took a pickup truck load down myself on August 5th to my hometown. Secondly, I’ve worked at NTN for 9 years and 7 of those in shipping/receiving and I’m familiar with a lot of the local trucking companies and work closely with Nathan Wiley in our positions there.



StoneBridge visited Western Kentucky during Christmas and Eastern Kentucky Recently.

Knowing he schedules a lot of our logistics I asked him for some recommendations of trucking companies I could hire to haul the remainder of supplies that I wasn’t able to get down there on my first trip. Realizing I had too much for a pickup truck I knew a box truck would be more efficient. So, I reached out and spoke with Brad, for a quote for pricing and he immediately offered the services for free to assist with getting the supplies to the mountains. The driver, Kelly was also phenomenal in her role too in the endeavor. For the 3rd question, I’ve learned that no matter what, us Americans regardless of association, when it comes down to it most folks will go above and beyond to help strangers in need and to support their fellow man, neighbors, etc. The support and enthusiasm I was shown from your company and staff is something I’ll remember for the rest of my life and anytime I can recommend you folks for any trucking needs I will go out of my way to do so. Thank you very much for everything.”

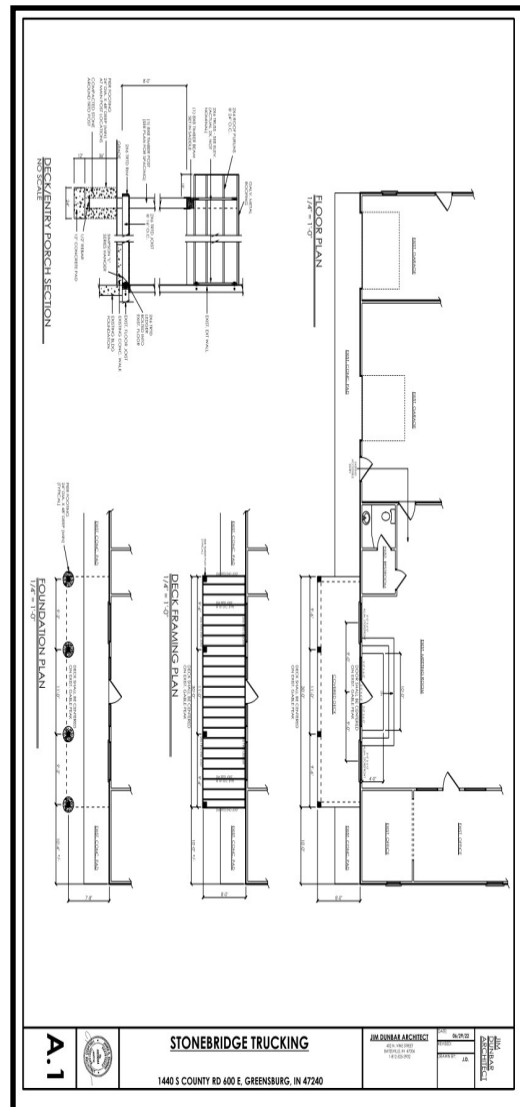
~ Jason Smith,

StoneBridge **TRUCKING** UNDER THE KNIFE



Terry is a US Air Force Veteran and has been recognized in a past “Story of Service”. He is now recognized on his truck.

Change is hard but necessary. For over 30 years, Butch Kennedy’s heart and soul has been with this building. It started out as StoneBridge Antiques when he relocated his small Antique shop from the Greensburg Square to the corner of 46 and 600E. At that time, the building was owned by Rosemary Farms which had many local conveniences such as a deli, amongst other things. When Butch purchased it, he was thinking much bigger. He had visions of what would become StoneBridge Collections. A large mall filled with booths of antiques provided by local vendors. For years, StoneBridge Collections was a reality, and the corner at Smith’s Crossing was always an attraction. Over time, Butch’s ambitions would change as well as his future. In 1999, his son Shane Kennedy would leave for the military, and his need for insurance for his son we cease. It was at this time, Butch felt the freedom to further utilize his entrepreneur aspirations and would eventually form StoneBridge Trucking. This gamble would allow him to leave Delta Faucet and find satisfaction in finally running his own business(s) and call his own shots. His gamble and hard work paid off, and there are over 25 people at StoneBridge Trucking that have him to thank for it.

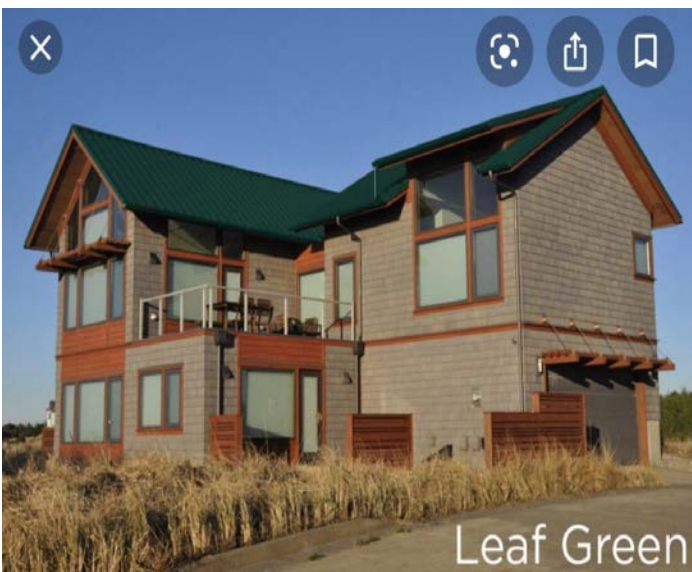


UNDER THE KNIFE



Late in 2021, the StoneBridge Newsletter *“Thankful”* focused on the development of its new Operations, Maintenance, Parking, and Cross Docking Center and how blessed we are to have it. Now the time has come for step 2. Upgrade the very building that has been “home” to Butch and Shane since the mid 90’s, and responsible for StoneBridge Trucking prospering for almost 24 years. StoneBridge CEO Shane Kennedy’s heart is with this building:

“I was a kid when Dad purchased this building. It was underwent many changes and improvements. I brought home my first car at 16 here. I have spent Christmas’s here. My father lives here. The StoneBridge Pub is here. I was welcomed home from the US Army here. My college graduation was here. My engagement party to my wife was here. Now my kids play here. They only know this place as “Papa’s house”. I have spent some of the most special moments of my life here. Now I spend most of my professional work life here. To say this place is special, would do my true feelings towards it an injustice.”



The picture above will serve as the color scheme when the new building is painted to preserve the already existing green metal roof.

UNDER THE KNIFE



Now its time to put the same TLC into this building and show it the love and respect it has always shown us.

Starting in mid-September, StoneBridge Operator Bill Mattingly will spearhead the campaign to renovate StoneBridge Headquarters. The renovation project will consist of an additional A-Frame added to the front, a large entry door, bathroom renovation, additional conference room, new HVAC system, and large StoneBridge Trucking sign to be modeled after the Cabelas sign we all know.

The building is going to be fantastic and its going to be a great upgrade to what we have.

**~ StoneBridge
Operator
Bill Mattingly**



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We live in the greatest country on earth. While it certainly has its issues, the majority of the people who make up this country believe that it sets the standard in many ways. One of those ways is that the United States of America is the most charitable. According to the World Population Review released its 2022 version of the world's most charitable countries, it stated *“When data from all ten years was compiled, the United States emerged as the most charitable country, with a score of 58%. Of those surveyed in the U.S. over the ten-year period, 72% reported helping a stranger, 61% reported donating to a charity, and 42% reported having volunteered their time to an organization.”*

The United States has been the most generous country in the world over the past decade. That's the conclusion of the [World Giving Index](#), a ranking that measured how likely residents of 128 countries were to practice acts of generosity. The index, from the U.K.-based nonprofit Charities Aid Foundation, is based on Gallup's World Poll surveys of 1.3 million people. Between 2009 and 2018, interviewers asked respondents whether they had done the following in the last month: helped a stranger or someone they didn't know who needed help, donated money to charity, or volunteered their time to an organization. At the top of the list were the U.S., Myanmar and New Zealand. The countries that scored the lowest were Yemen, Greece and China. (Albrecht, 2019).

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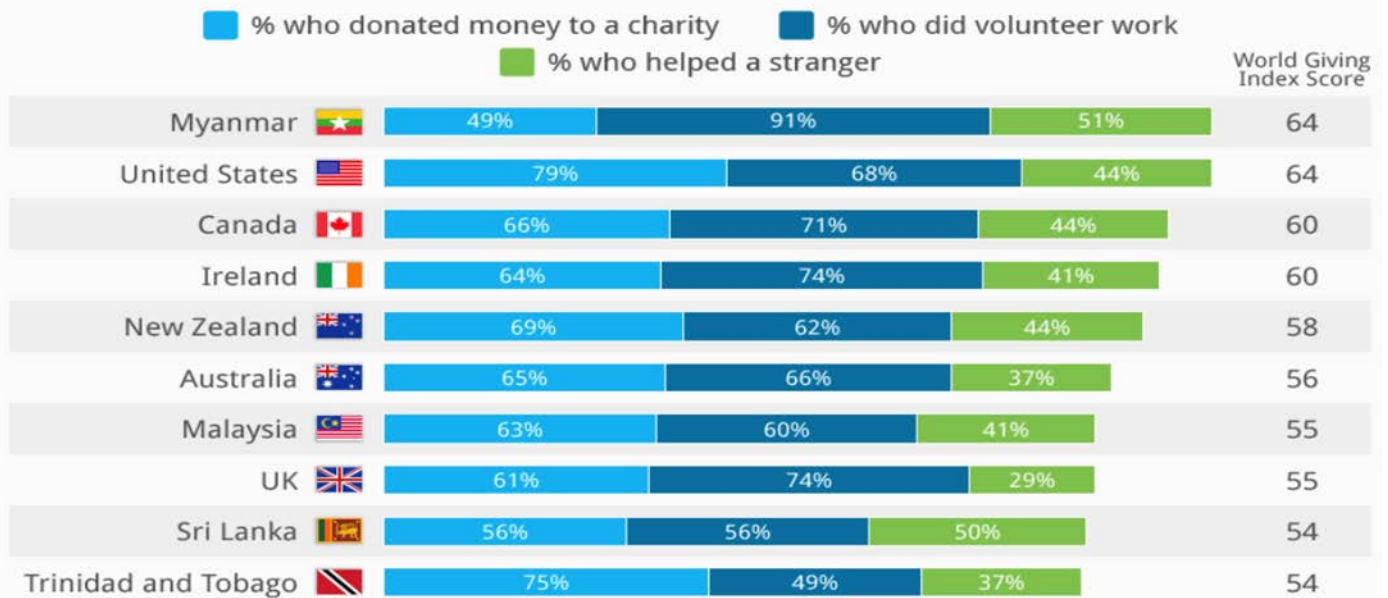
Quite often, when we think of Charity, the first thing that comes to mind is donating money. But helping your neighbor can come in a myriad of ways; not just cutting a check. Along with this, when considering who is your neighbor, sometimes the word **“neighbor”** can transcend our historical norms and boundaries of **“the people down the street”**. In the United States of America, events occur, and the country mobilizes.



StoneBridge Dispatcher Brock Bayless oversees the delivery to Decatur County donations in Paducha, Kentucky.

The Most Charitable Nations in the World

% of the population who participated in giving behavior during month prior to interview*



* based on nationally representative surveys conducted in 2013

Sources: CAF, Gallup



Mashable statista

While many of us show discontent with forecasts and the rain that is going to ruin our weekend vacations, we must admit that we are very blessed to have the technology in place that helps know when terrible things are on the horizon. In the South and East Coast, these mostly come in the form of hurricanes and tropical storms, which can be forecasted sometimes weeks in advance. But in the Midwest, the forecasts aren't as time friendly, mostly due to the unpredictable nature of tornadoes.

The unpredictable nature of a tornado was on full display in mid-December. Weather patterns were causing much concern for many meteorologists, specifically in the Mid-West. For Western Kentucky, an unpredictable tornado would wreak havoc on much of the region and many communities were forever changed.

This event is the worst, most devastating tornado event in Kentucky's history,"

~ Kentucky Governor Andy Beshear

On a morning in mid-December, StoneBridge CEO Shane Kennedy was about to start his vacation when StoneBridge Operations Manager Brad Stephens approached him with an idea. *“Shane, we need to help those people. I thought about it all night long and its weighing on me. I feel like StoneBridge can do something to help”*.

It was discussed and decided that StoneBridge could be a staging area for donations. We knew the community would step up with the donations, we had the trucks to get it there. From that moment, the effort began.

Gerald “Jerry” Meadows was in the middle of orientation on his first day and overheard the conversation. Jerry immediately offered help. “Guys, I know of a company that is in Oldenburg today collecting donations, they could use another truck. Brad Stephens grabbed a truck and went. Two hours later, he was being interviewed on *“The 812”*. StoneBridge Operator and Management Consultant Ken Inscho also helped out by connecting Shane with Greensburg Radio Station WTRE to get the word out. Brad Stephens also spoke with The Greensburg Daily News, Channel 13 News, and the Kentucky Governor’s Office.

Over the next 6 days, the community had an outpour of support and StoneBridge became ground zero for donations. We witnessed so many amazing stories, and what became a 1 truck initial effort quickly evolved into 5 straight trucks and a sprinter van. Many a StoneBridge raised their hands to transport the material down while asking nothing in return.

Many at StoneBridge were happy to share their story:

Thrive Market filled up an entire 26ft box truck with their donations.



Why did I Volunteer?

You watch and hear all the devastation that happened down in Western KY families with out anything and those that lost their lives coupled with the Holiday's. I wanted to try and be a small part of the bigger picture and bring some smiles and hope back to our neighbors in Kentucky.

In what ways did you Contribute?

I had the privilege of organizing, communicating with our customers and communities on getting the word out that StoneBridge was donating trucks and drivers to haul what ever we could get collected at our facility as well as other drop off locations in the community. Was also able to get a donation of skids and plastic wrap from Oldenburg Pallets so we could palatize all of the donations which the Stone Bridge team and myself did at our facility. Then coordinated with one of the drop off points in Paducah KY so we can get the loads to the right place so it could get distributed to the right things to the right people who needed them.

What was your experience and do you have any special stories to share.

It was overwhelming the out pour of support from not only our customers but our communities, we had 5 full box trucks and a sprinter van full of donations. Not only did we have out local communities showing up but we had people from Madison, Indianapolis, West Harrison and Cincinnati, the drove over and donated. I knew since I was a young kid how great the communities around here are, but seeing our communities step up to help people they did not know well lets just say it left me speechless!

We had a young couple show up to drop off donations they had a trunk full of goods, their 5 year old daughter walked up to me and said she wanted to donate too.



Her parents handed her a bag which she gave to me and said:

“Here is my Christmas presents. There is kids in Kentucky that need these more then I do.”

I looked in the bag and there where about 20 wrapped gifts. I did not know what to say to the little girl but thank you and she gave me a big hug and said thank you for being Santa for so many people in Kentucky.

What did I learn?

I learned that there is no doubt of the love, compassion and the giving spirit of our Customers, communities and our Team here at StoneBridge. I am just so proud to work and live in such a fantastic area that is not afraid to step up when they are needed and go the extra mile to do the right thing.

Would you do it again?

Hell Yes! In a Heartbeat!!



A special story....one lady saw me loading items into the truck at the local hospital and rolled down her window to give me \$200 to help with the relief effort. She was so worried she wouldn't be able to contribute due to her availability and was elated that she ran into me in the parking lot.

Why did I Volunteer?

I volunteered because I couldn't imagine my family going through something like this and losing all my possessions or my house. I always think it's important to help other people in need whenever possible.

In what ways did you Contribute?

I volunteered to go to all local companies/service organizations to pick up donated items. My wife spearheaded getting donations from Margaret Mary Health. I was able to contact the local radio station (media release) and local civic groups to solicit donations. I also contacted the Kentucky Governor's office to inquire about urgently needed relief items and get contact info for people running "ground zero" activities. While volunteering to pack/consolidate items at the shop. After helping to load trucks to take donations to Kentucky, I drove one of the box trucks.

What was your experience and do you have any special stories to share.

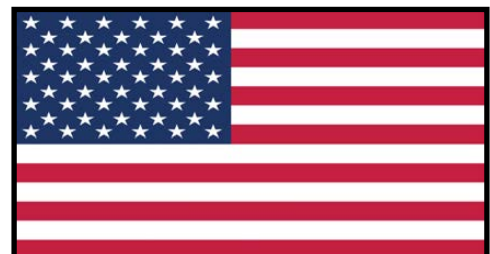
I was completely overwhelmed by the amount of support that came from local businesses and individuals in both Decatur and Ripley county. There were multiple times I teared up due the outpouring of generosity, support, and empathy our local communities showed for the people in Western Kentucky. I have never experienced anything like this before.

What did I learn?

I learned that no matter how someone contributes, it truly makes a difference for the people affected by this disaster. The impact these local folks/businesses had on these people will be remembered for years to come. It is my hope that all involved will continue to pay it forward for others who will experience some type of hardship during their lifetime. It also gave me an opportunity to learn more about the drivers I work with not to mention their generosity as well.

Would you do it again?

Absolutely, 100 times over!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!



StoneBridge Operator
Patti Pleak



I volunteered because I care about people and wanted to help in any way I could, even if it was just to be there for support of the community that was affected by tornadoes. I contributed \$20 and my time helping unload a truck of household supplies, clothing, toys, games, blankets, and all kinds of things to help the families. It was a satisfying feeling knowing that I helped a little bit & to be a part of Great Company I work for that treats others with Compassion and like we are part of their family. What I learned from this experience is that we are all in this world together and that it's a wonderful feeling to be able to help others in need. I met some really good people and will treasure all the memories of my experience.

I would absolutely be honored to do this again.



5 box trucks and 1 sprinter van were completely filled with donations from the community.

StoneBridge Founder Butch Kennedy:

I enjoyed getting all of the donations skidded and wrapped. Thanks to Brad, it turned out great. The outpouring of support from the community and local businesses was phenomenal and inspiring. People not just giving but money, but what they had to contribute. It was very special . I will never forget it.



StoneBridge Founder Butch Kennedy works with Ken Inscho as donations start arriving from the public.



Why did you volunteer?

... I felt that if I was in need of assistance, I would hope somebody would do what they could to help contribute to the recovery of our community

In what ways did you contribute?

... I drove to the donation facilities and helped unload trucks at both locations.

What was your experience and do you have any special stories to share?

... The donation acceptance team was great with amazing personalities, on the way to Kentucky I was on the phone with Brock and as we came across certain areas of the storms path we were astonished to see clothing and other house hold debris flung into the trees 2-3 stories high.

What did you learn?

... I learned that no matter how well off you can be in life mother nature is an unforgivable force that will affect the rich and the less fortunate, but no matter what walks of life your in when you need help the community will come together.

Would you do it again?

... Absolutely, I've always been the type of person to pull over and help if somebody is on the side of the road. Helping us just in my nature.



StoneBridge Operator Ryan "Rico" Rouse



Over a 5 day period, donations poured in from all over the community.





StoneBridge
Maintenance Manager
JD McClintic

My part of the Kentucky Disaster relief was driving the CDL truck loaded from Oldenburg grocery store that carried about 13,000lbs of non-perishable food and other donations. I volunteered because it was the right thing to do. I would happily do other relief programs if need be. I learned that even small companies like ourselves and the people we worked with could make quite an impact.



The staging area was quickly relocated to the new StoneBridge Maintenance facility due to the large scale donation effort in which the surrounding communities were responsible for.

StoneBridge
Dispatcher
Brock Bayless

I volunteered to do my part to help people in need. My contribution was to help unload and drive the supplies. My experience was great. It's a good feeling knowing your helping in even a small way. I learned that there are many people willing to help in a time of need at a moments notice.

I would absolutely do this again!!



Buzz Holcomb posed for a photo with another



StoneBridge Operator

Boyd “Buzz” Holcomb

I just wanted to help any way I could.

StoneBridge Trucking gave me a way. I drove a van filled with things given by people and businesses. I would absolutely do this again if given the opportunity .



I, like most, wanted to help in some small way, I think it's in our DNA. If it isn't it should be; also, I had three previous experiences which triggered my interest. I had been an Aerographers Mate in the US Navy (that's a weather man), additionally I had been a victim of the Good Friday tornado of 1974 and finally I had spent thirty years as a law enforcement officer and first responder.

I had been unable to help the previous week when StoneBridge Trucking solicited and delivered five or six truckloads of help to Mayfield. The following week I was available and we had accumulated enough new donated materials to fill the last truckload. I was asked and had previously offered to assist, so took a completely filled truck to Mayfield, Kentucky.

Upon arrival at the warehouse receiving the donated goods I met a young man, in his thirties maybe, who seemed to be in charge and indicated he could unload the truck for me. This young man whose name I've long forgotten unloaded the truck by himself and wheeled all the pallets of items some distance into a warehouse with a simple hydraulic pallet lift, no forklift was ever seen.

During the offloading I discovered he was the person who'd initiated this entire relief effort; he would not volunteer this information, I had to drag it out of him. He further stated that the public response had been massive and overwhelming. He looked tired! During our conversation he indicated that the tornado had been on the ground a great distance and had come at night and the loss of life and injuries had been far less than anticipated for a tornado of this magnitude, truly a blessing!

I learned that, despite the belief by some that humanity is lost and aimless, most of us are more than willing to step up to the plate and offer any assistance we can. On my return trip to our terminal I puffed up a little with the feeling I'd contributed, in some small way, in lessening the suffering of folks who I did not know and would never know. Really, that's the way it's supposed to work!



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The Cuban Missile Crisis

DRIVER IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Ryan "RICO" Rouse and
his StoneBridge **WISHLIST!**

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The NEW VOICE of Brock Bayless
Christmas in July: A NEW TRUCK for Terry Hogg



StoneBridge Trucking
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US Senator Mike Braun

StoneBridge TRUCKING Veteran's Day November 2021

A SALUTE TO SERVICE



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StoneBridge Operator - Bob King

StoneBridge Operator - Buzz Holcomb

StoneBridge Founder - Butch Kennedy



StoneBridge Operator - Carroll Herneke

StoneBridge Legacy - Forrest Sandefur

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StoneBridge Operator - Terry Hogg

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A StoneBridge Christmas

On Saturday, December 4th 2021, over 65 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 arrived and posed with everyone .

As the evening progressed, Kathy Wintz Catering was a hit once again. As always, the compliments for the quality of the food, along with mid-western 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

StoneBridge Jackets are presented to operators who are within their first year and attending their first Christmas Party. StoneBridge Vests were presented to all other Operators .

After all operators were recognized, the StoneBridge Awards were presented. Frank Witkemper received the "*StoneBridge Legacy Award*" for his past dedicated service to StoneBridge. James Isaacs was honored as the 2020, and Ryan Rouse as the 2021 "*Rookies of the Year*". Taking home the Top Award was Operator Terry Hogg as the "*StoneBridge Driver of the Year*" for 2020 and 2021

New Awards were introduced. The "*6th Man of Year*" was awarded to Mike Merritt while Patti Pleak was recognized as the "*Expeditor of the Year*". Finally, Josh Brinson was recognized with the "*Fleet Impact*" award for attitude and professionalism.



Frank Witkemper receives the Legacy Award



Santa Claus embraces Trenton Stephens



Pictures left to Right: Brad Stephens, Patti Please, and Shane Kennedy



StoneBridge Founder Butch Kennedy converses with close friend and 2019 Legacy Award Winner, Garry Hadler.

A StoneBridge Christmas

StoneBridge Trucking 2020 & 2021 Awards

◆◆ *Driver of the Year* ◆◆

2020 Terry Hogg

2021 Terry Hogg

◆◆ *Rookie of the Year* ◆◆

2020

James Issacs

2021

Ryan "Rico" Rouse



Terry Hogg was the StoneBridge "Driver of the Year" for 2020 and 2021.



James Issacs was recognized as the StoneBridge "Rookie of the Year" for 2018.



Ryan "Rico" Rouse would have preferred a Harley, but was still thankful for the award.

A StoneBridge Christmas

StoneBridge Trucking

◆◆◆**2021 Awards**◆◆◆

◆◆*Legacy Award*◆◆

Frank Withkemper



Frank was the StoneBridge “Legacy Award” recipient for his crucial sales work in the mid 2000’s.

◆◆*Expeditor of*

the Year◆◆

Patti Pleak



Patti Pleak was the first ever recipient of the “Expeditor of the Year” for her commitment and professionalism as a Cargo Van Expeditor.

◆◆*6th Man Award*◆◆

Mike Merritt



Mike Merritt recognized as the 2021 “6th Man of the Year” which is dedicated to Part-Time drivers who play a crucial role.

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StoneBridge Trucking

◆◆◆**2021 Awards**◆◆◆

◆ ***Fleet Impact Award*** ◆

Josh Brinson



Josh Brinson is the first to receive the Fleet Impact Award for attitude and professionalism.



From Left to Right: TOP: Mike Merritt (6th Man), Frank Witkemper (Legacy), Josh Brinson (Fleet Impact), Ryan "Rico" Rouse (2021 ROY)

BOTTOM: Terry Hogg (Driver of the Year 2020 & 2021), James Isaacs (2020 ROY)

A StoneBridge Christmas

THE **STONEBRIDGE** JACKET & VEST

When the jackets and vests 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.



Buzz Holcomb receives his first StoneBridge Vest. Buzz, a US Navy Veteran, has "US NAVY" displayed on the back collar of his vest.



Kelly Rader was thrilled to receive her first StoneBridge jacket.



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

Many old friends were able to catch up.



A StoneBridge Christmas



Pictured left: Larry and Ann Curtis Family.



Pictured below: JD McLintic and girlfriend Tiersten along with Rico Rouse and Finance Natasha.



Pictured above: Garry Hadler had a lot of requests for Santa. Pictured left: BOTTOM— Abby Isaacs was proud of her husband James.

A StoneBridge Christmas



Cindy and Jess Moton (seated) had friends from Florida visiting. All took time out of their busy weekend to attend, and maybe enjoy some wine.



Taylor Kennedy, daughter of Shane Kennedy, was not reluctant to tell Santa what she wanted for Christmas.



When the presentation was over—the party Started.

Bill and Dee Mattingly have become close friends to the Kennedy Family.



A StoneBridge Christmas

Pictured right and below:
Over 65 StoneBridge friends and family attended as the Stone-Bridge Team was recognized and 2020 awards were announced. Brad Stephens embraced Brock Bayless after being recognized.



The Vanderburs are always welcome at StoneBridge.

The Ambergers always take the time to be there for StoneBridge. We appreciate them.



2017 Legacy Award Winner Forrest Sandefur poses with his wife.

A StoneBridge Christmas

Pictured right: The Issacs family pose for a family photo.



Pictured above: Tara and Paul Hogg. Pictured right: TOP—The Merritt's and granddaughters

BOTTOM— Monty and Kathy Sheilds

A StoneBridge Christmas

**Pictured right:
The Ross Family
StoneBridge.
Below:
The Brinsons**



**The Chesher
Family**

**The "Voice of Stone-
Bridge" Brock Bayless
and his date.**





Story of Service

TREES FOR TROOPS

www.treesfortroops.org



This year, US Navy Veteran and StoneBridge Operator Buzz Holcomb was tapped to support our commitment to Trees for Troops. For over 17 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.

"I am proud of my service in the US Navy. I enjoy working with other Veterans at StoneBridge, and getting an opportunity to deliver Trees for Troops was an honor"

~ Buzz Holcomb

TREES FOR TROOPS
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**We Support The
Trees for Troops
Program**

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



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THANKFUL

Every year most of us gather for the Thanksgiving Holiday in a somewhat similar fashion. We prioritize our time with family, eat too much of the same things, (for me it is my friend's high-calorie special recipe stuffing), and enjoy ourselves while feeling miserable from carb overload all at the same time. Importantly, the American Culture has pinpointed the Thanksgiving Holiday as one in which we reflect on everything we are thankful for.

Given the state of our country's mainstream media, this is often very hard to do. But if we turn off the outside noise, and the phones associated, we will look around this Thanksgiving and engage in conversation with those we love and trust. And hopefully, get a quick refresher course on why we have so many things to appreciate, count as blessings, and be thankful for.

We wanted to release this specific newsletter over the Thanksgiving Holiday weekend because it closely relates to the emotions in which many of us are luckily and fortunately experiencing. Like everyone else in the world, the last year and a half have been quite challenging for StoneBridge Trucking. You know exactly why. I don't need to write it. You have lived through it with us. But like everyone else, we have had to push forward, persevere, and as I like to say "*Cowboy Up*". That is exactly what we have done, but we have had a lot of help. **In this issue, I going to discuss who & what StoneBridge Trucking is thankful for.**

OUR TEAM

As I started writing this, I became somewhat emotional by looking at the words "**OUR TEAM**". We have the best collective group of **people, veterans, mothers, fathers, husbands, wives, grandmothers, grandfathers, sons, daughters, and AMERICANS** any company can ask for. Over the years, many have joined, been a part of, and then moved on from StoneBridge.

Their time at StoneBridge, whether short-lived or tenured, whether part-time or full-time, is a building block for the StoneBridge foundation and culture. They are a thread in the fabric woven for over 21 years. Today, our team consists of 25 members. This is our largest team ever, but they are also the most committed, professional, and qualified as we have ever seen. For our StoneBridge Team and family, we are thankful.

Behind the company are people.

*Know the people -
Know the person -*

OUR CUSTOMERS

As I mentioned before, StoneBridge was not the only entity to experience, be challenged by, and struggle through the last year and a half. StoneBridge proudly serves over 30+ different customers with geographical representation in Indianapolis, Cincinnati, Louisville, Marysville, OH, and everything in between.

We had many conversations with our customers in which we learned about their struggles. Sometimes it resulted in them not being able to utilize our services. We understand, and will always be committed to them as they adapt, adjust, persevere, and push forward. We will "*keep trucking*", and continue delivering to all 48 states. In the face of this pandemic, we could pat ourselves on the back and say "*You're Welcome*", but we look at it differently. For us to "*keep trucking*", our customers had to also stand up to adversity, thus allowing us to be their dedicated courier in a time of crisis.

Without them persevering and utilizing us during these times, StoneBridge would not have survived. Therefore, we are beyond blessed to have the customer base we do and want them to know how **THANKFUL** we are for them. To all of those who trust and utilize StoneBridge Trucking **THANK YOU!!**

"We are so appreciative of our customers. They are what allows us to grow and it is to my satisfaction that we are doing things right. Some have been with us since we started."

~ Butch Kennedy

THANKFUL

OUR FRIENDS & FAMILY

Nobody makes it in this world alone. Success is the product of a myriad of things. Hard work, education, commitment, honesty, integrity, and every other word you can "INSERT HERE" can be used to explain and understand the successful outcome a person, organization, or entity may experience. But regardless of the story you hear, experience, or read about, one thing always seems consistent: help was received in some shape, form, or fashion.

The StoneBridge Operations Center has been in place since 1999. Purchased in the early 90's by Butch Kennedy to house Stone Bridge Antiques and Collections, it eventually became the Dispatch Center and parking lot for the newly formed Stonebridge Trucking in late 99'. In 2017, as StoneBridge Trucking was starting to grow, friend, neighbor, and businessman Steve Hockaden approached Shane Kennedy about leasing his facility as he scaled down his operation. It was perfect timing. StoneBridge was growing and could no longer safely and effectively park at its current location.

By 2018, StoneBridge was leasing the facility providing ample room for operations and growth. In 2019, Steve understandably had an offer to sell that he and his wife could not refuse. This created an issue for StoneBridge. Where would they go? Steve's wife Jane expressed this concern first and foremost before agreeing to sell by asking "What about Shane"? It must be noted, they didn't have to do this. Shane Kennedy recalls the situation:

"They could have simply sold and moved forward with their lives, but they didn't. I understood their situation and would have done the same under the circumstances. With this, they assured me they would build another facility, keep their commitment, honor our agreement, and they did just that."

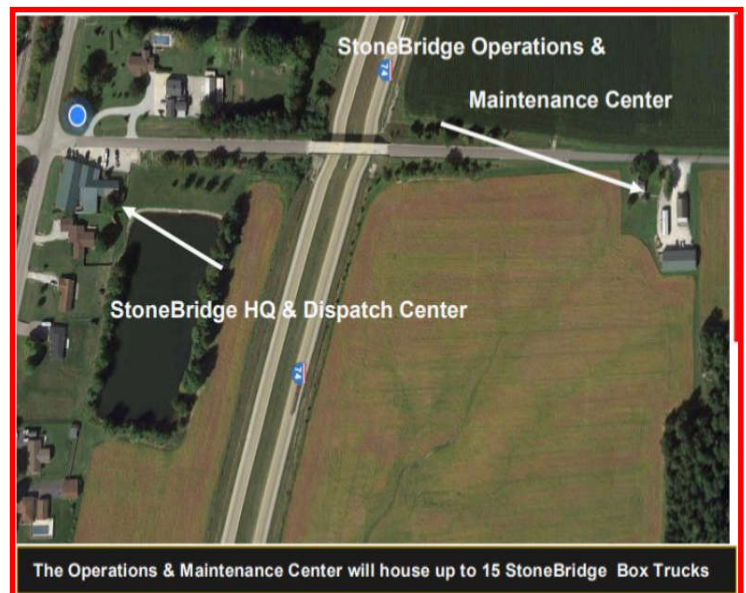
By late October 2019, StoneBridge had moved next door to the newly developed location. This ensured we had an accessible location to continue to work and grow.

"Steve and Jane Hockaden were an integral part in ensuring that StoneBridge had a home during the entire process. Their flexibility guaranteed our fleet always had a place to stay and we cannot thank them enough".

~ StoneBridge CEO

Shane Kennedy

Starting in February of 2020, the process of building our own home would begin and many others would help us along the way. **Kurt Comer, Jim Heger, Danny Lawrence, Larry Colson, The Napoleon State Bank, and our families** have been an integral part of us pushing forward. For everyone we have mentioned, and everyone we may have missed, WE ARE THANKFUL!!



The picture above was taken from the Summer 2018 StoneBridge Newsletter and represents what the future looked like then. Much has changed and we are thankful.

Past, Present, & Future of StoneBridge

2016 StoneBridge Parking Lot



PAST

As we have discussed, StoneBridge has experienced significant growth from 1999-2021. The majority of the growth took place after 2016 when Shane Kennedy joined to work with Garry Hadler. Regardless of the growth, Shane understands how that growth was possible:

"When I came off of Active Duty in 2016, I experienced many emotions when joining the company. I was excited, scared, insecure, and apprehensive. The company had been around 16 years. Despite it being very small, it had a successful track record and I didn't want to screw it up. With this, I reminded myself that the very things that made me nervous were also the things that should provide solace in giving it a shot. The company had a fantastic foundation. The customer base was small but committed to us. Garry Hadler was running the company, top to bottom, and had a wealth of knowledge. The driver pool was filled with experienced and professional drivers. I told myself, you can do this. Let Garry and the drivers teach you the aspects of the business you don't know. Assert yourself with new ideas in the areas you know you can help and improve."

In 2017, Shane would eventually take over the company as Garry deservedly transitioned into retirement and started making decisions. Specifically, he added assets to the fleet to support the new business. By the end of 2017, our fleet had grown from 7 total units to 10. Our trucks and vans were stacked on top of each other and we needed to move. Hockaden's facility was a perfect fit for the short term.

By Fall of 2019, the fleet had grown to 18 units, and the customer base had doubled. A long term solution needed to be found and thus, the search for a new StoneBridge home was on. After looking at many different locations and considering the options, a very distinct location was found.....ACROSS THE STREET. Butch Kennedy had long identified a patch of land that was for sale if we were interested. *"I knew they were interested in selling to us, and of course I loved the location, but I was going to allow Shane and the team to research all options so that we had as much information on the table before making this important long-term decision. I am thrilled this is what we settled on."* Owner—Butch Kennedy

In February 2020, a land purchase agreement was signed, and "The Process" of "Operation New StoneBridge Home" began.



The following is taken from a page of the Summer 2018 Newsletter discussing our transition to our then Operations and Maintenance Center. A lot has changed in 3 years and we are thankful.

SUMMER 2018

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.

OPERATION "NEW HOME" BEGINS

THE PROCESS

February 2020

The land was located and the land purchase agreement was signed. Knowing the land was in place, we had to confirm the land could be zoned and be legally utilized to support the operation

Beacon™ Decatur County, IN



March 2020

Zoning request SUBMITTED and appointment scheduled

COVID-19 ROCKS THE WORLD



April 2020

Zoning Rescheduled due to Covid



May 2020

Zoning Rescheduled due to Covid



June 2020

Zoning Rescheduled due to Covid



OPERATION "NEW HOME" STARTS

THE PROCESS

July 2020

Zoning Rescheduled due to Covid



August 2020

Zoning BOARD meets to approve zoning request



September 2020

Bank financing paperwork submitted to purchase land finance project



October 2020

Bank board meets & approves the finance request



OPERATION "NEW HOME" BEGINS

THE PROCESS

November 2020

Commercial Development Project Appraisal
Scheduled



December 2020

Appraisal Paperwork Received by the Bank



January 2021

Loan Approved

&

Closing on land and purchase
agreement conducted



February 2021

StoneBridge has Groundbreaking News!!!!



OPERATION "NEW HOME" BEGINS

THE PROCESS

March 2021

Excavation Began

&

Would take place over the next 3 months



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Excavation is almost complete. The StoneBridge Maintenance, warehousing, and cross dock should be springing up soon!



OPERATION "NEW HOME" BEGINS

THE PROCESS

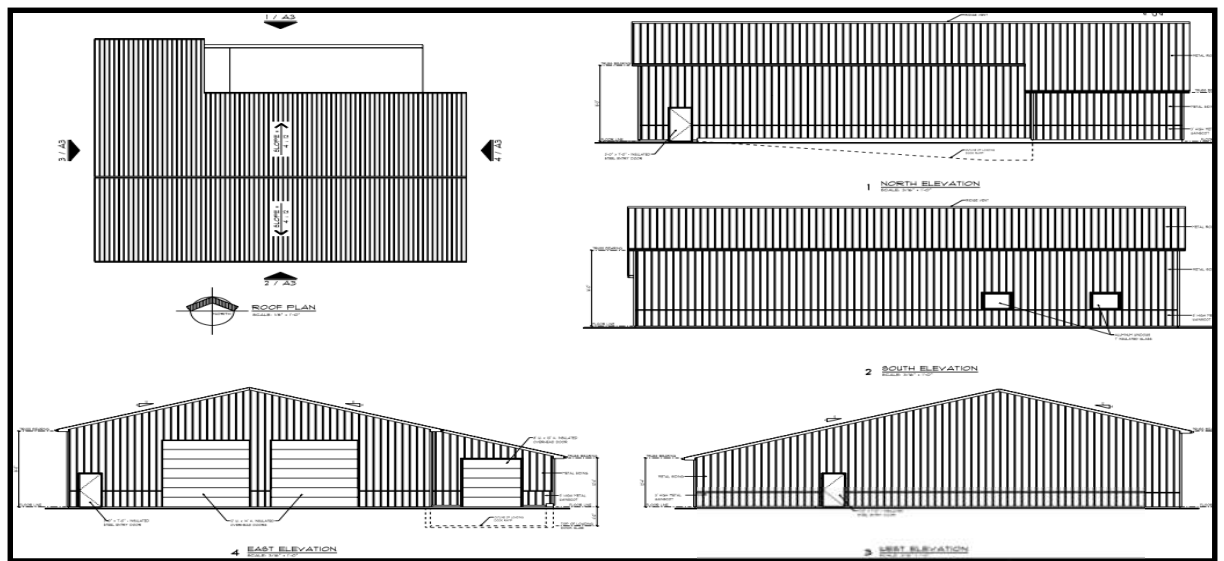
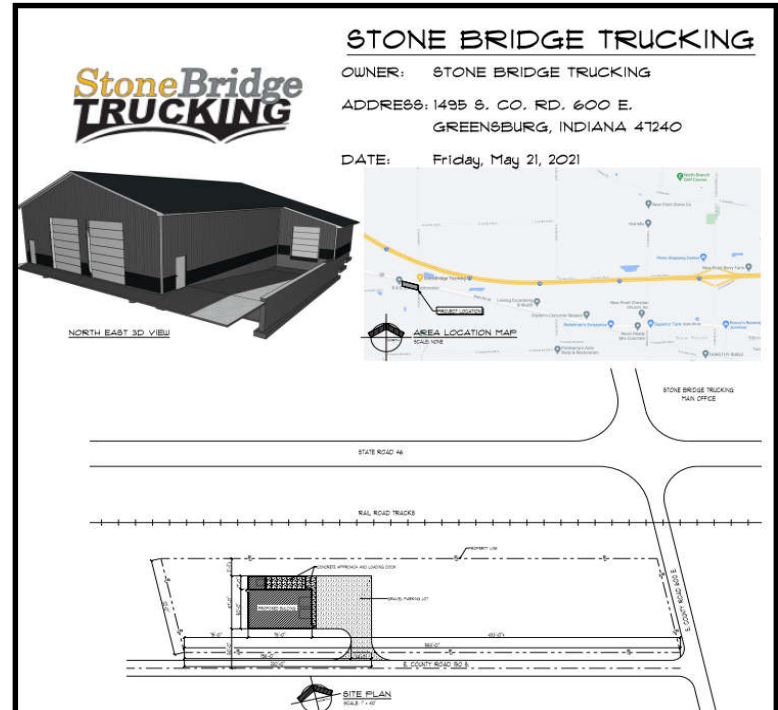
May 2021

Building Contracts

Signed

&

Plans Finalized



June 2021

Excavation Completion

Close, but mother

nature has other plans



OPERATION "NEW HOME" BEGINS

THE PROCESS

July 2021—A visit from US Senator Mike Braun who reviewed the construction site.



StoneBridge TRUCKING NEWSLETTER
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EXPEDITING AND SMALL LOAD TRUCKING

The NEW VOICE of Brock Bayless
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StoneBridge Trucking Proudly Welcomed US Senator Mike Braun

The image shows a group of five men walking on a paved area. In the center, a man in a blue button-down shirt and dark trousers is walking towards the camera. To his left, a man in a grey polo shirt and a black cap with 'NAVY' on it is walking. To the far left, a man in a blue polo shirt is walking. To the right of the man in the blue shirt, a man in a yellow polo shirt and a man in a light blue button-down shirt and khaki pants are walking. In the background, there are several vehicles, including a white van with 'StoneBridge TRUCKING' and 'Bridges LOAD TRUCKING' on it, and a white SUV. The sky is blue with some clouds.

OPERATION "NEW HOME" BEGINS

THE PROCESS

August 2021



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There is Timber in the air at StoneBridge Trucking



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If you build it, the company will grow!!!!



OPERATION "NEW HOME" BEGINS

THE PROCESS

September 2021

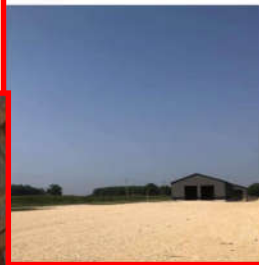
Building
&
Frame
Constructed



StoneBridge Trucking

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Ladies and gentlemen.....We Have Siding!!!



OPERATION "NEW HOME" FINISHES

THE PROCESS

October & November
2021

MISSION
COMPLETE

Certificate of Occu-
pancy Signed on 5
November 21

3 Years ago, discus-
sions began. After
18 months of work,
our new home is
complete.




Certificate of Occupancy

TO: STONEBRIDGE TRUCKING
FROM: DECATUR COUNTY BUILDING INSPECTOR
DATE: NOVEMBER 5, 2021 PERMIT #11237
(Pole Building)

This certificate certifies the building site listed below was inspected according to the laws and ordinances governing the Area Plan and Building Commission.

APPLICANT: STONEBRIDGE TRUCKING
ADDRESS: 5960 E. Co. Rd. 150 S.
Greensburg, Indiana 47240

Inspected by:  - Building Commissioner
150 Courthouse Square, Suite 117
Greensburg, Indiana. Phone: 812-663-8451



StoneBridge **TRUCKING**

NEWSLETTER

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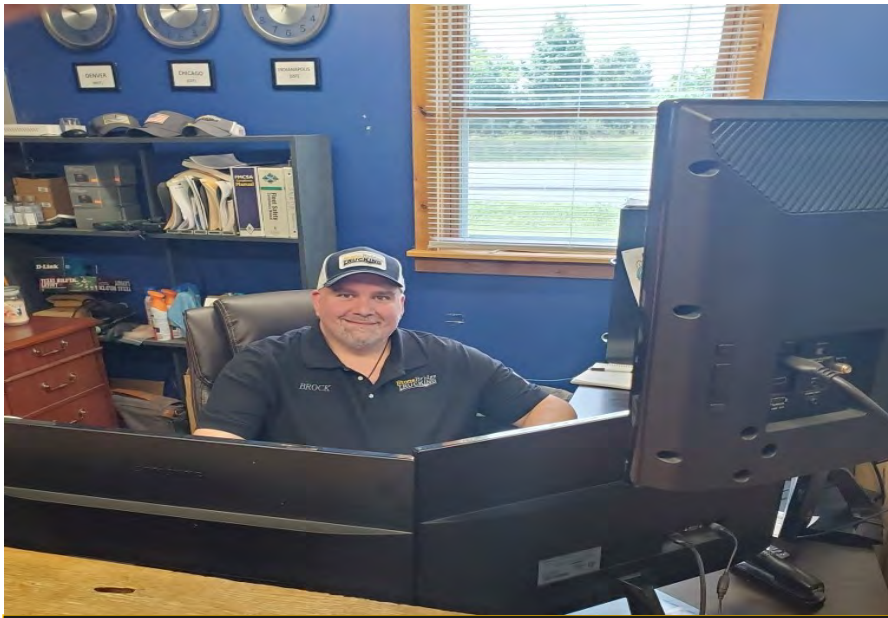
The **NEW VOICE** of Brock Bayless

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**StoneBridge Trucking
Proudly Welcomed
US Senator Mike Braun**

The NEW VOICE of StoneBridge Trucking



Brock looks to focus purely on Dispatch and Backhaul Ops.

In September of 2017, StoneBridge made one of its best decisions on record: it hired Brad Stephens to join its operations team as a fleet operator. While Brad was going to start off driving indefinitely, it was clear he had a bigger future with StoneBridge. Shane Kennedy saw something in Brad that he didn't typically see:

"I needed someone to eventually fill the dispatch role and when I interviewed Brad, I told my father that I thought I had just interviewed the next Voice of StoneBridge Trucking. 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".

~ Shane Kennedy

This opportunity presented itself a few months later in January of 2018 when StoneBridge required taking the next step. ***"I wanted the job. I knew I could do the job, and when Shane offered me the position I jumped at the opportunity."*** Since that moment, StoneBridge has been steadily growing and weathering many storms that all businesses encounter, including COVID 19.

"Shane and I agree that Brad could only be in that job for so long. Considering he was performing as the operations manager, safety manager, and dispatcher, eventually, the dispatch role would have to stand on its own."

~ Butch Kennedy

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

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

The plan was for this transition to take place in 2020, but the Covid epidemic through a small wrench into the process. All plans for growth would be halted and StoneBridge went into survival mode. With the StoneBridge customers halting production for health and safety reasons, 2020 became the year to plan for 2021. StoneBridge was blessed that its customers resumed production and the need for its services. By January 2021, the discussion for The Next Voice of StoneBridge had resumed and there was only one name that was top of every list . . . Brock Bayless.

Why Brock you ask?

Well, there are certain requirements of a person to even qualify for the position.

First, you must have proven yourself in a truck. To administer StoneBridge, you must first understand the most important pillar:

Driving.

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The NEW VOICE of StoneBridge Trucking

"We need people who understand how decisions will affect the drivers individually and company as a whole. To understand the drivers, you must be a proven driver". ~ Brad Stephens

Brock was our top driver and had proven himself behind the wheel for over 3 years.

Driving qualification ✓

Second, you must have great verbal, communication, and customer relations skills. Everyone who had either worked with, worked under, or knew Brock, knew him to be a very easy-going, laid-back, and professional truck operator. When we started disclosing that Brock was going to be the next guy in line, our customers who knew Brock had nothing but positive feedback and support for the decision.

Customer Service qualification ✓

Third, you must have the ability, willingness, and patience to be challenged, make mistakes, and learn. Importantly, you must constantly want to improve. Since taking the dispatch seat in early July, Brock has grown as a dispatcher and taken everything in stride. When he first took the job he said he would be ALL-IN and commit everything to learn the job. As a professional truck operator, he completely understands how important the dispatch role is to the drivers and their families.

Competence and understanding to grow .. ✓

Finally, Brock is trustworthy. A facet in which StoneBridge Founder Butch Kennedy regards above all others. *"When Brad and Shane were evaluating candidates to be the "Next Voice", Brock's name was at the top of their list because honesty and integrity were paramount to the dispatch role."*

Honesty and Integrity ✓

Brock is born and raised in Decatur County. He has spent his life working within the southern Indiana economy and is a very established and respected Truck Operator. He has leadership experience from his days with Printpack. He has the background, experience, and importantly, character to be the

The New Voice
of
StoneBridge
Trucking

A VISIT FROM A STATESMAN

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.



Senator Mike Braun joins the StoneBridge Team for a tour of the new Maintenance, **Warehousing**, and Cross Dock facility.

On Tuesday, June 22nd, Regional Director to Senator Mike Braun, John Moton reached out to StoneBridge CEO Shane Kennedy with a wonderful opportunity. Shane and John have known each other for quite some time because their fathers are very close friends. John reached out to his Dad when he was tasked with finding small businesses in his assigned district for Senator Braun. His father mentioned StoneBridge Trucking as a blue-collar, veteran-owned and driven small business experiencing growth.

“It was truly an honor and privilege to meet Senator Braun when he took time out of his busy legislative responsibilities to come and meet with the team at StoneBridge Trucking. His passion for the great state of Indiana and his dedication to creating jobs for small businesses was evident. He’s also a staunch supporter of our veterans which is the foundational success that StoneBridge Trucking was built upon. I am a proud supporter of Senator Braun and all that he tries to accomplish for the State of Indiana.”

~ StoneBridge Strategic Business Consultant – Ken Inscho

After speaking shortly, John and Shane agreed that Monday evening June 29th would be an excellent opportunity to host the Senator during his small business tour in Indiana.

A VISIT FROM A STATESMAN

StoneBridge is a perfect place to host the Senator because he is a businessman first, politician second which resonated closely with StoneBridge Operator Monty Shields:

"I was very pleased and honored to meet Senator Mike Braun at the StoneBridge office. Coming from a trucking background, he was well aware of the issues facing us and committed to working on legislation to ease our burden and help our industry. When all was said and done, he impressed me as a businessman who became a Senator, not as a politician trying to keep his job."



StoneBridge Consultant Ken Inscho shakes hands with Senator Mike Braun

When Senator Braun showed arrived, he immediately started connecting the similarities between StoneBridge and his company's logistics operations, Meyer Distributing. He toured the StoneBridge Operations Facility while also visiting the new development site for the StoneBridge Maintenance, Cross dock, and warehousing facility. He mentioned how small his trucking and logistics operation was when his company was young and saw the same foundation being built at StoneBridge. He discussed the current political climate on a macro and micro scale, and how small companies like StoneBridge are important to the American economy as we continue to navigate through the pandemic.

The Senator spent approximately 45 minutes speaking with the StoneBridge team and also took a moment to rest at the StoneBridge Pub. While his staff wanted to move on to the next appointment, he was enjoying the moment of rest and conversation.

"He took the time to also converse with us at Kennedy's Irish Pub. He enjoyed the history and connection to Abraham Lincoln. His team was ready to go. But it was clear he was tired and was enjoying himself. He would have stayed much longer if time permitted. He could have stayed as long as he wanted and is always welcome back."

~ Shane Kennedy, CEO

Senator Braun also reached out to StoneBridge to thank them for his experience and reception when visiting:

"I had a great time, in Decatur County speaking with Butch, Shane, and the team at StoneBridge Trucking. To learn about their family and veteran-owned and operated small business in the same industry that I grew my small business, in my hometown, as well." **Senator Mike Braun, IN-R.**

Christmas In July



Terry is a US Air Force Veteran and has been recognized in a past "Story of Service". He is now recognized on his truck.

Since the Fall of 2016, there has been one person more **"Driven"** than anyone else on the StoneBridge team. Terry **"The Boss"** Hogg has logged approximately 700 runs and over 400,000 miles since joining the StoneBridge Family. In the Fall of 2020, a major investment in the StoneBridge future was being evaluated. It was time to replenish the fleet with new long-term trucks and all options were on the table. While many options were evaluated when considering the exact truck StoneBridge would need to bridge the future, one thing was understood amongst the entire team and did not warrant debate: Terry Hogg would be the first driver at StoneBridge Trucking to receive his own unique Kenworth. In early July, the first of 3 new Kenworth Trucks would make their way to StoneBridge Trucking. The plan was set to present on Thursday, July 8. For "The Boss", it would be **"Christmas in July."** Terry was told to arrive because the team needed to meet with him to discuss the future.

Unknowingly, his truck would be waiting to surprise him. When he arrived a short discussion took place at the Operations center while the truck was staged across the street at the location of the new maintenance facility. Shane Kennedy provided a brief intro as to how much Terry was appreciated and Terry was eventually led across the street by Brad Stephens to meet his new truck.

"It was Christmas in July for Terry! Terry is one of the hardest working and dedicated drivers we have at StoneBridge. So it goes without saying how much he deserved this new truck. This truck is also very important to StoneBridge as it has swing doors instead of roll doors, and a bigger sleeper for the drivers to get better rest in."

~ StoneBridge Ops Manager
Brad Stephens.



Brad Stephens shows Terry the Paccar engine and vintage style Kenworth doors.

A New Truck for “The Boss”



When Terry was presented with his truck, he was ecstatic which can be shown by the video shared on Facebook following the presentation. Terry was happy to voice his pleasure and appreciation.

"I was beyond surprised, humbled, and appreciative. As an Air Force Veteran, I enjoy working for a company that values my service so much. Also, I truly enjoy driving a truck. To be the recipient of the first Kenworth means a lot and I am looking forward to exploring the country in it.

Let's Roll!!!!!!"

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TRUCKING



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GROUNDBREAKING NEWS



A STORY OF SERVICE

US Navy Veteran Buzz Holcomb and
The Cuban Missile Crisis

DRIVER IN THE SPOTLIGHT

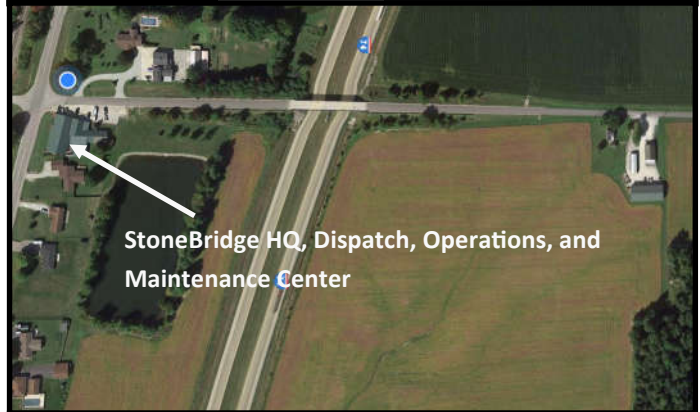
Ryan *“RICO”* Rouse and
his StoneBridge **WISHLIST!**

BREAKING GROUND AT STONEBRIDGE

Since 1999 when Butch Kennedy founded StoneBridge Trucking with a pickup truck and cargo van, steady and responsible growth was in place until the recession of 2008. It was then that Butch had to keep debt low, while keeping the fleet rolling to see things through until the economy recovered. In 2013, Butch retired from StoneBridge, putting his trust in Garry Hadler to single-handedly move the company forward. In 2016, when StoneBridge CEO Shane Kennedy (son of Butch Kennedy) began working with Garry until he retired in 2017. At this time, StoneBridge was growing significantly and had almost doubled in size. Production was up, the Fleet & Operators had doubled.

“We were outgrowing our tiny space on the corner of 46 and 600E. We needed space, and we needed it quick.” ~ Shane Kennedy, StoneBridge CEO. Around this time, a close friend with a nearby space approached Shane and offered to lease it as their business transitioned. It turned out to be a perfect fit. Featured in the “6th Edition Summer 2018 Newsletter” as “Past, Present, & Future of StoneBridge.” it was the first time StoneBridge made future long-term moves.

PAST



ON THIS DAY

4 years ago



Shane Kennedy is with Butch Kennedy at StoneBridge Trucking.

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StoneBridge Expediting and Small Load Trucking is ready to get to work.



In 2017, Shane Kennedy shared a picture on Facebook of the StoneBridge fleet tightly parked and stacked together.

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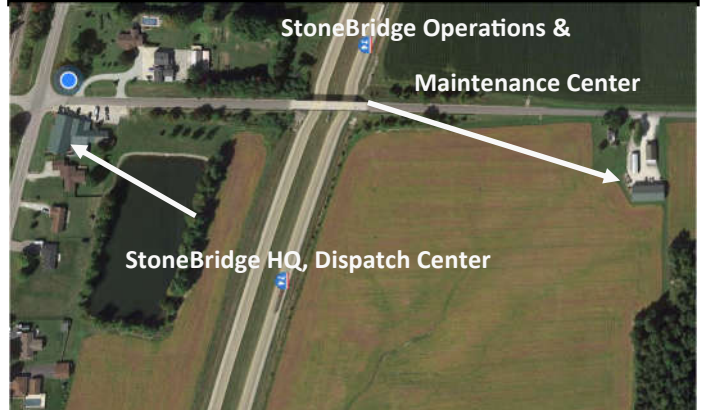
For the last few years, this move bridged a gap and provided a great location as StoneBridge continued to grow. But, it too is no longer sufficient in supporting the operation as StoneBridge continues to evolve. With a fleet of over 18 vehicles and an Operations Team with over 25 members, the StoneBridge Operation has tripled since 2016. ***"The Operation is continuing to grow and advance. Our processes and procedures are more efficient, resulting in an average movement of freight four times that of 2016. The time has been overdue for us to take an additional step."*** ~ Brad Stephens, Operation Manager.

In 2019, the search was on for the next home of StoneBridge Trucking. An evaluation of all surrounding counties and cities took place in search of a facility that would meet the StoneBridge needs.

"We looked everywhere, and nothing fit the blueprint of what we needed."

~ JD McClintic,
StoneBridge Maintenance Manager

Present



Featured in the Summer 2018 Newsletter, this facility has been imperative to bridging the gap to our future.



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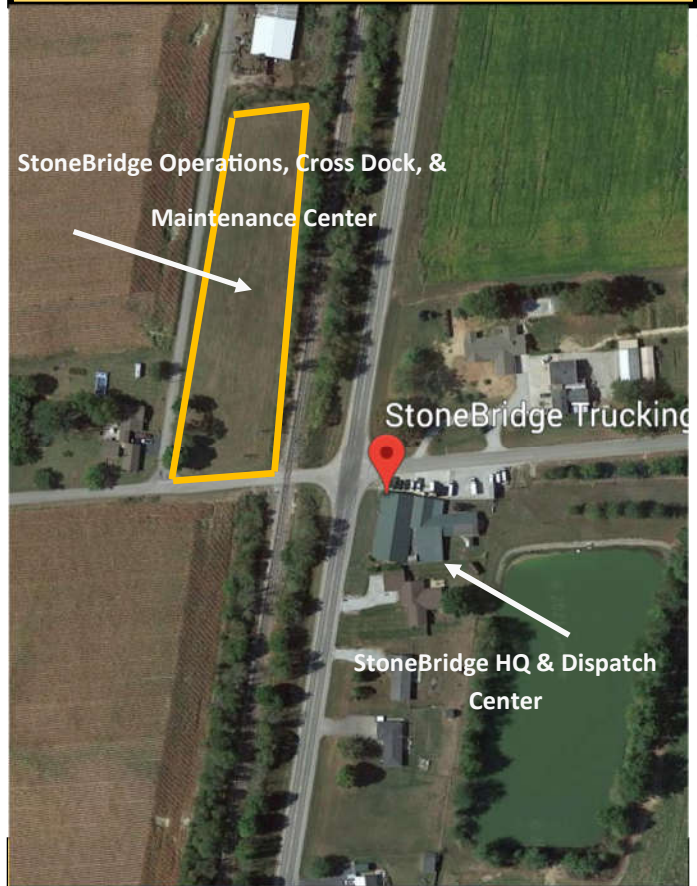
Eventually, Butch Kennedy would be the one to solve the problem . . . across the street. “I had already been in discussion with our neighbors; the land was available, they were willing to sell. All we had to do was cut the check.” At this point, an agreement was in place that building the future home of StoneBridge Trucking was the best option. And, we didn’t have to move the operation. In March of 2020, Butch recalls how the process was about begin, and the goal was to have our new home by August of 2020 UNTIL COVID 19. ***“We were ready to put everything in motion. COVID set the entire process back a year.”***

Finally, after a year of face masks, social distancing, and washing our hands so much our skin painfully dried, ground was broken on the future StoneBridge Maintenance, Warehousing, and Cross Dock. The 1.7-acre lot will support a 3,750 sq ft facility due to be completed in August.

“It’s a Small Building on a Small Lot. But it is BIG to US”.

~ Shane Kennedy

FUTURE



The 3,750 sq ft facility will be situated on 1.7 acres and support all



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.



StoneBridge Trucking is American Veteran Owned – American Veteran Driven. When we have the honor and privilege of bringing an American Veteran into our family, we are getting more than just a "hard worker" or "good person." We are bringing someone who has a proven history of commitment to God, Family, and Country. Over the years, since US Navy Veteran Butch Kennedy founded StoneBridge, our veteran members all share a unique bond: Pride of service, along with a special camaraderie when meeting fellow veterans at StoneBridge. In July of 2019, shortly after Independence Day, StoneBridge would bring another American Veteran into its family whose service in the US Navy was during one of the most critical international conflicts in our country's history.



Buzz enlisted in the US Navy in 1960.

In this edition, we are proud to feature US Navy Veteran and StoneBridge Operator Boyd "Buzz" Holcomb as our "*Story of Service.*"



StoneBridge Operator and
US Navy Veteran
Boyd "Buzz" Holcomb

A STORY OF SERVICE

Buzz was born on April 11, 1943. At the moment of his birth, his father, John F Holcomb, was enlisted in the US Navy and on a ship en route East during WWII as part of the Army Air Corps. The Army Air Corps would later become the US Air Force. He was born in his own home with his Aunt Gertrude present.

Raised in Westport, Indiana, Buzz graduated from high school and enlisted in the US Navy in 1960. He recalls his reason for enlisting as if it was yesterday: ***"I knew I was going to get drafted for Vietnam. It was inevitable, and I wanted to be in control of my environment. The Navy seemed like a good fit for me. I wanted to be a Gunner's Mate on a destroyer, but after testing at a high level, I received a recommendation that Naval Aviation was a better direction for me."***

After enlisting in Indianapolis Buzz took off to Naval Station

Great Lakes and would spend Christmas at boot camp as part of Company 608. After graduating from basic training, his father enjoyed his first beer with him while on leave before he boarded a ship and went sailing on a Mediterranean Cruise out of NAS Oceana, Virginia Beach, VA. He would later go to NATTO Jacksonville to study Aviation Administration in 1962. "While at Jacksonville, I was a part of the mission up to 5 times a year while keeping aircraft records full-time. Often, I would get to fly home to Bunker Hill at Grissom Air Force Base and come home for a few days to visit."

He would later receive orders to Norfolk, VA, with an assignment to the VA 86 Attack Squadron as part of the USS Independence. Buzz ensured the planes were ready logistically, mechanically, and administratively as an Aviation Administrator from head to toe. He would give each plane the thumbs from the flight deck before heading to the catapult for launch. It was aboard the USS Independence that he would partake in one of the MOST IMPORTANT MISSIONS IN US HISTORY. ***"We met up at Naples, FL with the carrier to load up and go into the Gulf during the CUBAN MISSILE CRISIS. We were lined up ship-to-ship. It seemed like you could walk from Cuba to Key West via naval vessel and not get your feet wet."***



John Holcomb takes a picture with his son Buzz before departing for WWII.

A STORY OF SERVICE



President Kennedy's historic efforts ended the Cuban Missile Crisis by striking a backroom deal to remove nuclear-armed Jupiter missiles from Turkey. In response, the Soviets withdrew their nuclear weapons in Cuba. After the backchannel diplomatic efforts were executed, a nuclear showdown was avoided, and the blockade ended. Petty Officer 3rd Class Holcomb would eventually receive orders to VAW-11 NAS North Island, Coronado, CA from 1963 – 1966. From Coronado, his unit worked aboard the USS Hancock- CVA 19 and would spend nine months in the South China Sea. Due to Vietnam, in December of 1966, he was involuntarily extended for an additional six months until June 6, 1966. His orders were extended because his job was crucial in overseeing the aircraft flying the Vietnam missions from the South China Sea. In June 1966, PO3 Boyd “Buzz” Holcomb was ready to come home and was Honorably Discharged from the United States Navy.

Buzz's service to country carried over to his service to community. A resident of Westport, Indiana, where he raised a family with his wife, Buzz admirably served two separate terms on the Westport Town Council where he upheld the same core values he learned in the Navy and applied in life: Honesty, Integrity, and Love of Country, Family, and Community. His work on the town council was summarized by a fellow Town Council member and friend:

"Buzz was a solid and reliable town council member that I had the privilege of serving with for eight years (2008-2015). He was instrumental in making the initial connections needed to obtain grant money for Westport's sewer rehabilitation project in 2012-2013. He cared deeply about his community, and his work ethic showed it."

~ Bryan Gatewood, Westport Town Council, 2008-2019.



A STORY OF SERVICE



Buzz enjoyed his first beer with his father John upon returning from Basic Training.



At StoneBridge, Buzz enjoys the camaraderie he shares with fellow veterans. *"I appreciate the opportunity to continue to work and stay active, meet fellow veterans and community members, and serve our customers. I take the responsibility as a StoneBridge Operator very seriously while enjoying the chance to travel. The Navy showed me the world, StoneBridge is showing me the United States."*

StoneBridge Founder Butch Kennedy echoes this bond: *"It is great to have Buzz working for StoneBridge. As a West Coast Sailor, we both were on ships serving in the 7th Fleet and made the same ports and swap tails of liberty. I always enjoy the conversation."*

Buzz Holcomb. Thank you for your service to your Country, Community, the StoneBridge Family, and its customers!



USS Independence

Driver in the Spotlight

Behind the company are people.

Know the people - Know the person - Know the company.



StoneBridge Trucking has a history of hiring people from all walks of life. We take pride in sharing a specific set of core values when hiring to be a part of our team:

Willing to Work Hard

Honesty

Professionalism

Family First

Upon interviewing to join our team, they are informed that they are joining a team with specific values. Each team member is accountable for embracing these values. By doing so, the company can uphold them as a collective unit. StoneBridge has been blessed over the years to hire many who proved to fit the StoneBridge mold. Humbly we admit, we have hired a few that did not adhere to or regard our values and are no longer part of our team. With this, we realize that everyone deserves an opportunity to persevere beyond life's challenges and past decisions that may not fit into the StoneBridge framework. Sincerity and a genuine desire to right one's path will earn you that opportunity.

When Ryan "Rico" Rouse joined StoneBridge Trucking, he was genuine and sincere about embracing these values and wanted a company that would stand by him. ***"Ryan was not a perfect fit on paper. During his interview, we had reason to be hesitant to give him an opportunity. Still, my gut told me he was honest and sincere and wanted an opportunity to prove himself. I wanted Ryan to have an opportunity. We all have needed opportunities to get where we are." ~ Shane Kennedy***

Eight months later, he is the StoneBridge
"DRIVER IN THE SPOTLIGHT"

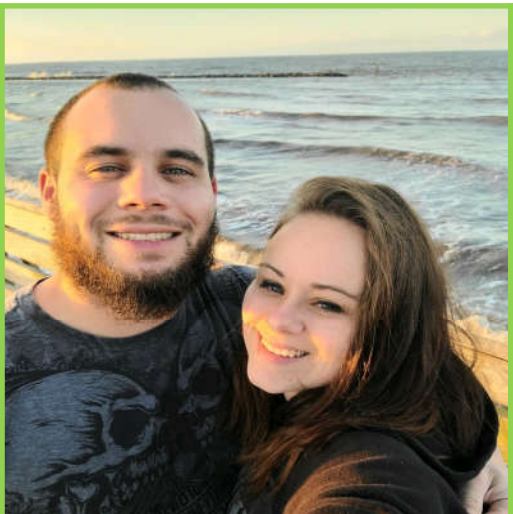
Driver in the Spotlight

Ryan “Rico” Rouse was born on January 26th, 1993, in Fort Myers, FL. The son of Evangelista Neris, his mother Angel, married Richard Rouse on St. Patrick's Day in 1995. Richard would adopt Ryan at the age of 2. They would remain there until Hurricane Andrew devastated the state, and Ryan's mother relocated to St. Joseph, MI to live with her father, Robert, known to Ryan as Grandpa Robert. After spending some time in Michigan, they moved to Connersville, IN, where they would eventually get jobs at Gecom and relocate to Greensburg, IN, where they reside today. Ryan would studied Core 40 automotive technology at Greensburg High School. Ryan's experience in High School presented many challenges.



Ryan (right) poses with his brother Samuel (left) who he had just met for the first time with his nephew Ryan (middle) who was named after him.

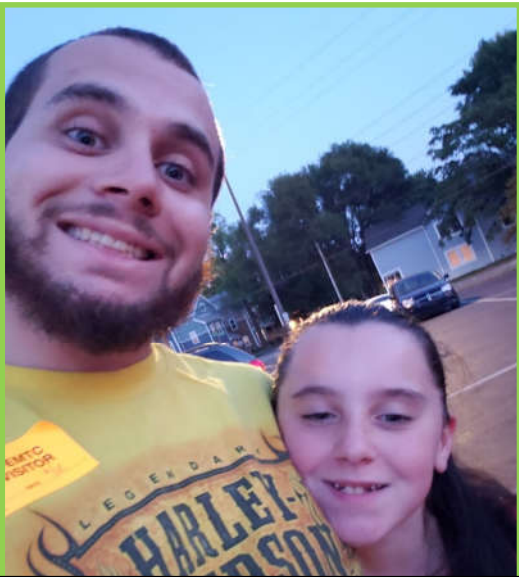
Specifically the challenge of being a young father. On May 27th, 2010, while trying to navigate a high school teenager's path, Ryan's daughter Arianna was born ten weeks premature at 2lbs 6 oz. He recalls this life-changing experience vividly: ***“This was one of the hardest times in my life. I was a high school kid juggling school, working at STI, and living at Riley Children’s Hospital while she was in the NICU for 37 days.”***



Ryan takes a picture with his girlfriend and best friend from High School Tasha.

Day 38 would mark the beginning of a 7-month journey in which Arianna would live with a G-Tube in her stomach. Ryan glows when he discusses how healthy, strong, and intelligent she is today at the age of 10.

Driver in the Spotlight



Ryan's daughter Arianna is as healthy, smart, and strong as ever.

“Absolutely, I would love to go there. I have a brother there I have never met.”



Aunt Maria (left), Ryan, Grandpa Evangelista (right), Cousin Victoria (far right).

After graduating, Rico has had a few jobs on his path to StoneBridge Trucking. He has spent time at Enkei in Columbus, Indiana as well as Gecom. He found a great opportunity at Steel Tech and enjoyed the job until Covid 19 devastated the world population and economy in 2020. After nearly three years at Steel Tech, he was laid off in August 2020, leading him to a conversation with StoneBridge Mechanic JD McClintic. ***“I saw Ryan outside of Autozone in Greensburg one day. We grew up neighbors, and I struck up a conversation with him and recommended he inquire about Stonebridge's opportunities. I knew we were looking for operators, and Ryan seemed to possess the value of hard work that we prioritize. I am proud of him and am glad that he has found a career with us. We all appreciate him very much.”***

When hired at StoneBridge, like most companies, you must go through orientation. Part of that is filling out a biography and personal checklist. An essential part of this is a StoneBridge **"Wishlist"** outlining where you would like to visit in the 48 states. He listed California, Texas, and Washington D.C. After just a short time behind the wheel, a customer requested a long run to Mansfield, Texas. As Ryan's first potential long run, Brad Stephens offered it to him, not expecting the response. Rico jumped at the opportunity. ***“Absolutely, I would love to go there. I have a brother there I have never met.”*** A few days later, he embarked on a journey with two goals in mind: Complete his first extended run for StoneBridge and meet his brother for the first time.

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Driver in the Spotlight

Ryan enjoyed the experience and smiled ear to ear as he recalled meeting his brother Samuel. ***"I got to hang out with him for a few hours, meet my nephew. He named his son Ryan after me. What an honor. We worked on his motorcycle for a few hours and installed a new windshield before I had to get in the StoneBridge truck and head back home. I cannot wait to go back to Texas."***

A few months later, Ryan was back on the road heading to the East Coast. This time, it was to make an East Coast delivery, with another important stop on the way home. Rico's father Evangelista has family in Philadelphia that he had not seen for over 13 years since his Grandmother's passing. After his delivery, he requested a stop in Philly to spend the evening with his grandfather Evangelista Sr; Aunt Maria and Uncle Miguel. The location was safe and not too far off the path of return. StoneBridge was on board with the opportunity to reunite him with his family. ***"It was as if it had not been 13 years. Puerto Ricans have a reputation for having strong family values. They received me exactly the way I expected. As if I had just seen them yesterday."***

Rico seems to have found his professional groove at StoneBridge Trucking. He was recently recognized as the StoneBridge **"Driver of the Month."** Due to his hard work and financial prowess, he is now a proud homeowner. He and his girlfriend Tasha have moved in together, and he is ecstatic to have her in his life. ***"She has been my friend since Junior High, and she is my best friend. I consider her son Aidyn my own"***. His professional and personal life are in a good spot. He is taking advantage of the opportunity StoneBridge has given him by working hard, being honest and professional, and putting his family first. Along with reuniting with his loving family, he has also visited another love almost 30 times.

"Since joining StoneBridge, I have visited approximately 30 Harley dealerships. StoneBridge has given me a home, a career, and another family. I love it here and am going to continue to work hard and see where my career can go with StoneBridge."

Ryan Rouse has a great story to share, and that is why he is the StoneBridge ***"Driver of in the Spotlight."***



Featured left to right: Logan, Aidyn, Ashlynn

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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-act Martin Schlegel to win the 2003 Open de France in Paris, France.

Women's Argentina returns

World Cup champion and reigning world championship gold medalist was crowned in Argentina.

Sweden retains WBA title

Johnny Rowland (4-2, 20 knockouts) outpointed Charlie Gonzalez in a convincing decision.

Photo finish in World Cup

Dominic Monaghan won the 2003 World Cup in a photo finish.

Sprinter tests positive

Sprinter Carlos Hernández, a gold medalist in the 2000 Olympic Games, tested positive for cocaine.

U.S. seeks rare win

The United States will try to win a 10-year losing streak at the Rugby World Cup when it plays Japan on Monday at Yokohama.

Not trick boys Revolution

Scottie Parsonson, 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 with a giant slalom win.

Swiss wins 3rd GP

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

But Martin, upon his July 2003, in response to a question about his commissioner Tom Finchem 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, and PURDUE.

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 event at Disney World.

Charles Schwab Cup: The Chicago Cubs are looking for a better position.

Van Pelt (Chicago) is at 200... He is 100 percent a 100 percent.

SPORTS LETTERS

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The 227 was his highest of three 200 in the history of the Madison Bowling Association.

Eighteen years ago, Bowen was a coach at Bowling Green.

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HOOSIER DIGEST

Indiana-Ired horse favored at Churchill Downs

Paul Nash, an Indiana-bred son of Crowned American, is the 2-1 morning-line favorite in the \$100,000 Indiana II.

The Patrick Byrne-trained Paul Nash is the 2-1 morning-line favorite in the \$100,000 Indiana II.

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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.”

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**Montgomery
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StoneBridge Founder Gutch Kennedy

listens intently to his granddaughter Taylor.

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**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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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

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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.



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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A StoneBridge Christmas

Since 2016, StoneBridge Trucking has been blessed to have so many members of our team, their families, our friends, and customers take time out of their busy holiday schedule to spend an evening with us.

On Saturday December 7th, StoneBridge Trucking hosted its annual Christmas Party and it did not disappoint. Santa Claus made an appearance during cocktail hour when many were arriving.

After cocktail hour, Kathy Wintz catering provided a meal that received nothing but appreciation for its quality from those in attendance.

Following dinner, StoneBridge CEO Shane Kennedy presented all 25 team members with the next generation of StoneBridge jacket. After the jacket presentation, the awards for StoneBridge Legacy, StoneBridge Rookie of the Year, and StoneBridge Driver of the Year were presented.

Following the presentation, Kennedy's Irish Pub was populated and some yuletide refreshments were enjoyed.



“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

Christmas with StoneBridge

THE **STONEBRIDGE** JACKET

When the next generation of 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.



The StoneBridge American Flag logo is featured on the next generation of StoneBridge Jacket.



Nearly 60% of the StoneBridge Team is made up of US Military Veterans. Their branch is reflected on their sleeve



A StoneBridge Christmas

StoneBridge Jackets are presented to operators who are within their first year and attending their first Christmas Party.

After all operators were recognized, the StoneBridge Awards were presented. Garry Hadler received the "StoneBridge Legacy Award" for his past dedicated service to StoneBridge. Both Kyle Siebert and Mike Price were honored as the StoneBridge Trucking "Rookie of the Year". Taking home the Top Award was Operator Bill Gamble as the "StoneBridge Driver of the Year".



Buzz Holcomb receives his first StoneBridge Jacket.



StoneBridge Operator Carroll Henneke is embraced by StoneBridge CEO Shane Kennedy upon receiving his first jacket.



Shane Kennedy was very emotional when introducing Monty Shields.

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◆◆◆**2019 Awards**◆◆◆

◆◆***Driver of the Year***◆◆

Bill Gamble



◆◆***Rookie of the Year***◆◆

Kyle Siebert

Mike Price



◆◆◆***Legacy Award***◆◆◆

Bill Fields

Louie Kinker



Christmas with StoneBridge



Former StoneBridge Operator Matthew "Cowboy" Schwering won the Television in the raffle.



Taylor Kennedy tells Santa that she wants Toy Story toys for Christmas.



The Stephens Family pose for a picture together.

Christmas with StoneBridge

Pictured right Dean & Bev Whitaker.



Pictured below: Brad Stepes is informed of all things he WON'T be receiving this year.



Kennedy's Irish Pub held the after party.

Christmas with StoneBridge



Monroe Kennedy was not as enthused to meet Santa as her big sister,



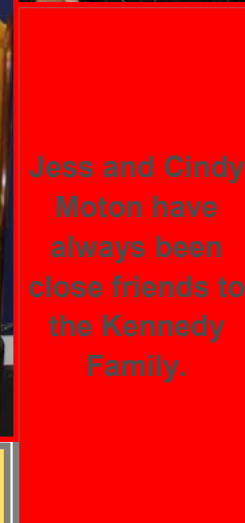
2017 Legacy Award Winner Forrest Sandefur is embraced when receiving his jacket.



The Holcomb's pose for a picture.



Longtime Friends Cindy Moton and Butch Kennedy



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



Christmas with StoneBridge

Pictured right and below:
Over 80 StoneBridge friends and family attended as the Stone-Bridge Team was recognized and 2019 awards were announced.



Santa Claus was happy to pose with many in attendance.



The Wirrigs set for a picture together. They are a blast to be around.

The Amberger Family pose for a timeless photo.



Christmas with StoneBridge

Pictured right and below: Darlene Love's "Alone on Christmas" was played on high and dancing ensued.



Christmas with StoneBridge

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



Pictured above: The Wirrig's enjoy Kennedy's Pub. Pictured left: TOP—Brad Stephens thinks its Saint Patrick's Day BOTTOM—Angie may ponders a happy thought.

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.



We appreciate the
Bauer's ALWAYS
taking time to at-
tend.

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



Story of Service

TREES FOR TROOPS

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For over 16 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. StoneBridge Operator and US Army Veterans Kim Curtis and Brad Stephens loaded and delivered the trees.



Kim Curtis poses with Mr. Bohman to load the trees.



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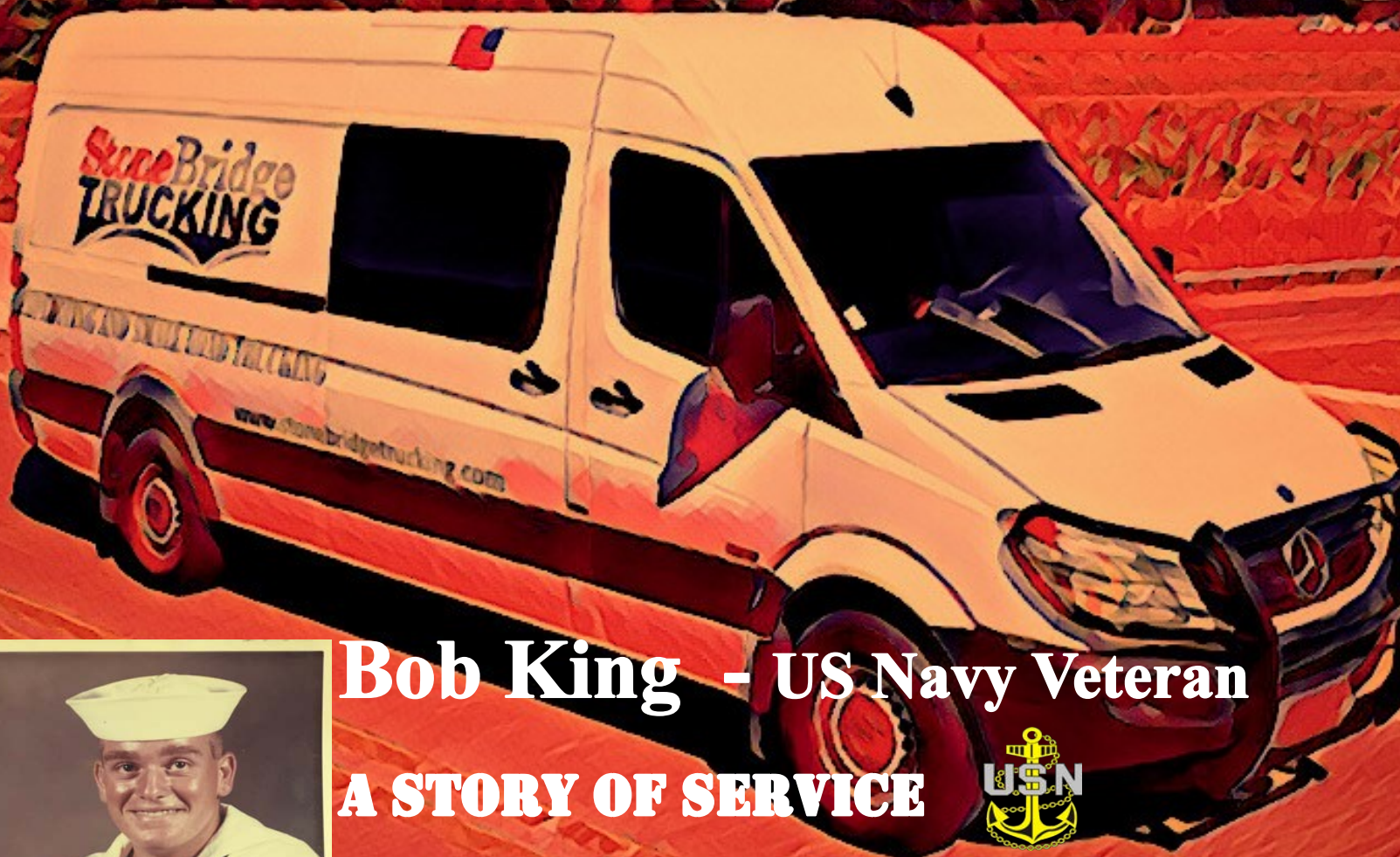
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**Behind the company are people.
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Justin McReynolds was born on September 16th, 1986. One of three children, he is the son of Karen and Jim McReynolds. Born and raised in Greensburg, IN, Justin had 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."

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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.

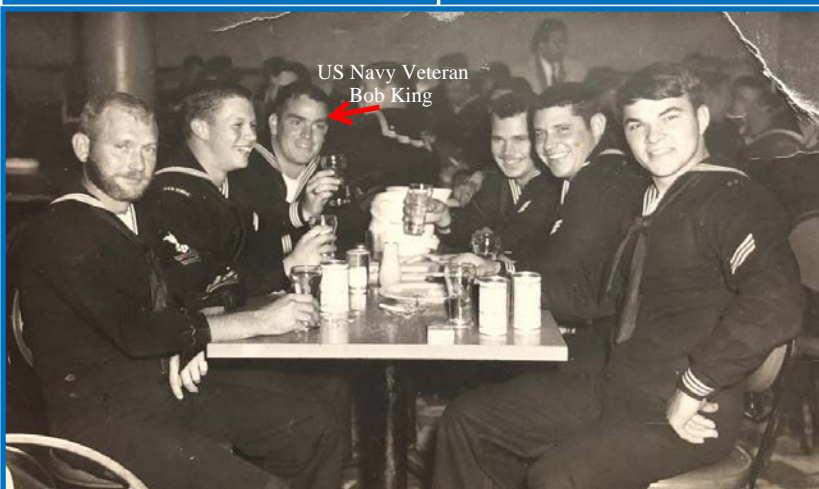


While Bob was not granted a cameo in the movie, he certainly remembers the mission vividly and is proud of his service during it. Along with his time in the Mediterranean, he also spent time in other global locations, including Naples, Barcelona, and Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

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

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VETERAN

Bill Pike



**The NEW *Glue*
That *KEEPS*
Us *MOVING***

JD McClintic



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.

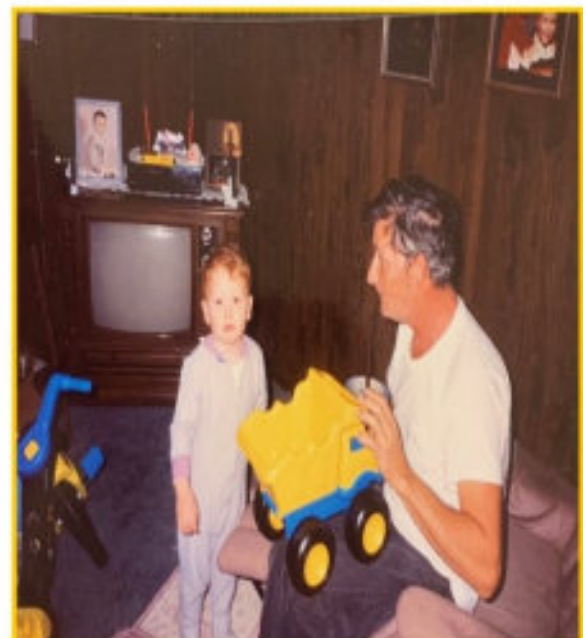
In the Spring of 2018, JD McClintic walked into StoneBridge looking for an opportunity. After working through his application and a brief discussion, he mentioned

“ 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.**

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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.

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Jeff Moore

“ When Shane took over, I spoke with the other guys and we were committed to giving him all the support needed. We were extremely busy, almost too busy, but we were committed to the company and enjoyed being a part of the growth. Despite the level of stress everyone was under.

~ Jeff Moore



Dave Brown

“Getting treatment for breast cancer was grueling. It was one of the hardest things me and my family could have went through. When I beat cancer and got my strength back, I couldn't wait to get back on the road with StoneBridge. “

~ Dave Brown

In June of 2017, StoneBridge Trucking was experiencing unprecedented growth. The economy was continuously improving and the demand for our expediting and small load trucking service was growing. StoneBridge CEO Shane Kennedy had assumed the operations and dispatch role and was a bit overwhelmed.

“We were stressed to say the least. Our fleet was still small and most of our trucks were accumulating a serious amount of mileage to meet the demand of its customers. Importantly, we didn't have enough experienced and dependable operators to comfortably accommodate the unexpected surge in business.”

Luckily, the operators at StoneBridge were ready to meet the challenge. Dave Brown, Jeff Moore, and Mark Scheidler proved to be an integral part of the StoneBridge growth and success that began in the Summer of 2017. Dave Brown had recently beat breast cancer and Jeff Moore did not have to work for StoneBridge, he chose to in order to stay active and because he simply enjoyed it. They have both since retired and we wanted to take a moment to say “Thank You” for all of their years and dedication to StoneBridge. They are and will always be appreciated.

“I honestly don't know what I would have done without them. When you bring on new customers while your current customers increase their demand, you cannot let either one of them down at any point. If you fail to be there for a new customer, they will quickly find someone who can and the chance at that relationship will most likely be over. You also always have to be there for those who have always entrusted you with their business. Growth takes balance and commitment. Without operators like Dave and Jeff, we would have failed as a company on both levels.”

~ StoneBridge CEO Shane Kennedy

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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."**

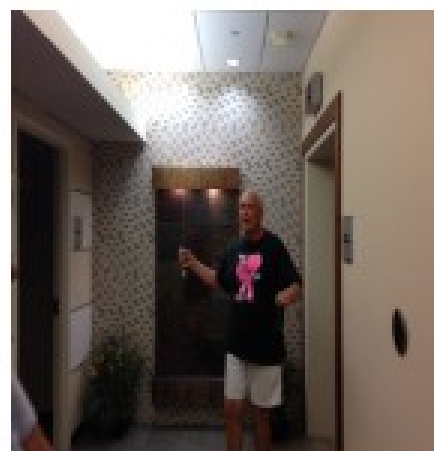
**Behind the company
are people.**

Know the people

Know the person

Know the company

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.

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.

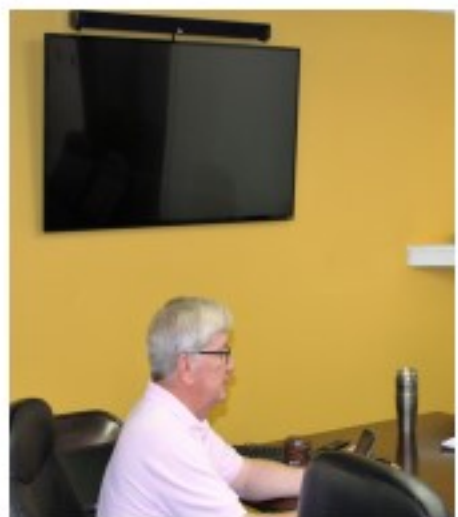
When Jeff joined StoneBridge Trucking, he proved himself to be an immediate asset to the StoneBridge team by bringing a "a little something extra" to the job; excellent people skills and customer service. Since Jeff has spent his life as an owner of a small family business where customer service and 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.

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 Thorn-town when the train suddenly pulled away. When the train stopped next at Lebanon, several persons in the crowd claimed they had ridden horses from Thorn-town, 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.

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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.



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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.

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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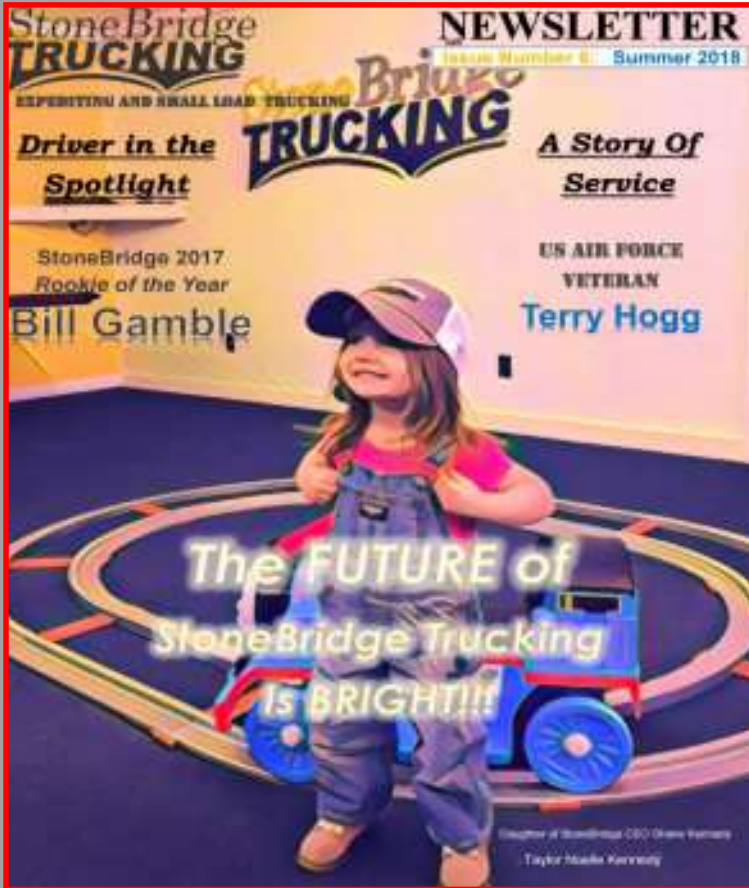
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Christmas with

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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*".



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.



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



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

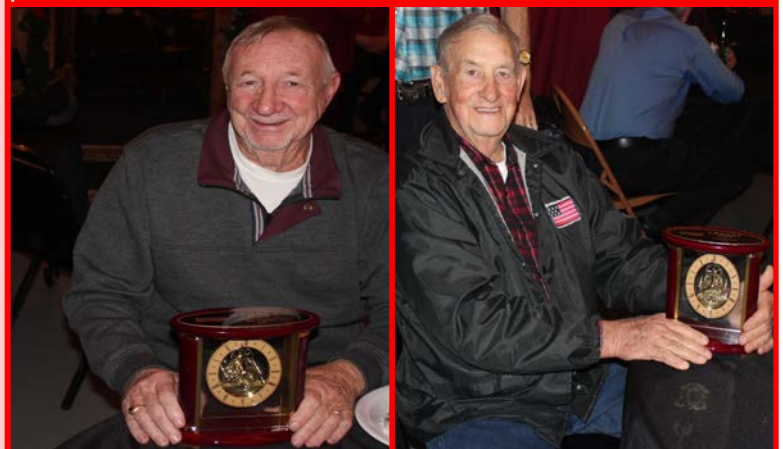


Danny Dwiggins embraces Shane Kennedy while he is recognized as the StoneBridge "Rookie of the Year" for 2018.

◆◆◆***Legacy Award***◆◆◆

Bill Fields

Louie Kinker



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

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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 Madie.



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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Christmas SPIRIT FOUNDATION
Kids • Families • Environment

TREES FOR TROOPS

www.treesfortroops.org

We Support The Trees for Troops Program

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

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)



Christmas with StoneBridge

Pictured Right:

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

StoneBridge Operator
Danny Dwiggins and
his Wife (Right)



Pictured Right:

John and Connie Say-
lor with their granddaugh-
ters Taylor and Mon-
roe(left)

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



Pictured Right:

StoneBridge Operator
Dave Wirrig and Wife
(left)

StoneBridge Operator
Josh Wright and date
(Right)



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**The *GLUE*
That *KEEPS*
Us *MOVING***

StoneBridge Operator & Mechanic

Charlie Mann



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It's a Family Affair for
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Doug Spon



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”.

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

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 employs many who have a history of service to their country.

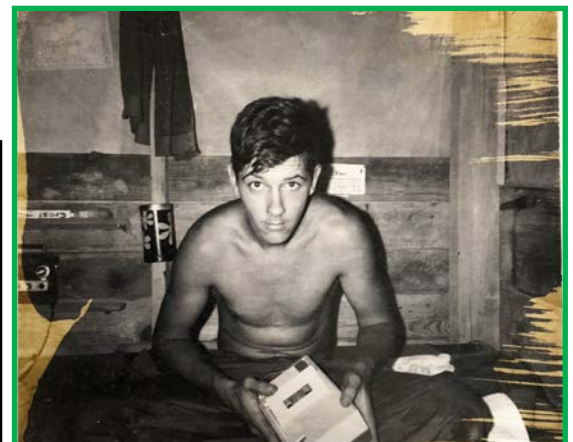


US Army
Veteran
Doug Spohn

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 Spohn at 18 years of age in Chu Lai, Vietnam

Born in 1950 in Sharon Pennsylvania to Ray and June Spohn, Doug Spohn grew up in family dedicated to service. Ray Spohn served in the Navy, and his brother Rick Spohn, retired from the US Navy in 2003 as a Commander. In December 1968, Doug Spohn 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 Spohn 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).

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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

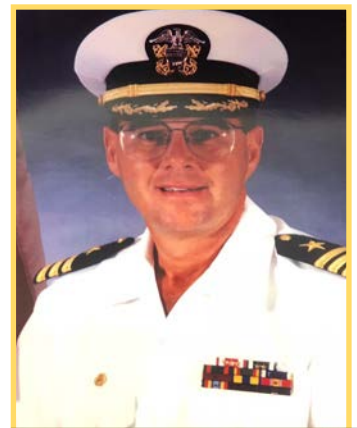


SGT Spon with the General's car in Seoul, South Korea.

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.

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“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

StoneBridge 2017
Rookie of the Year

Bill Gamble

A Story Of
Service

**US AIR FORCE
VETERAN**

Terry Hogg

A young girl with long brown hair, wearing a pink shirt, blue overalls, and a purple baseball cap, stands next to a blue and red toy truck on a wooden track. She is smiling and looking towards the camera.

**The FUTURE of
StoneBridge Trucking
Is BRIGHT!!!**

Daughter of StoneBridge CEO Shane Kennedy

- Taylor Noelle Kennedy

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



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."***

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."***

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 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."***



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

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.

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 were 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



American Veteran Driven

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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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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.”***

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Introducing
The NEW VOICE of
StoneBridge Trucking

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."

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

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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 of 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 Shark 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.

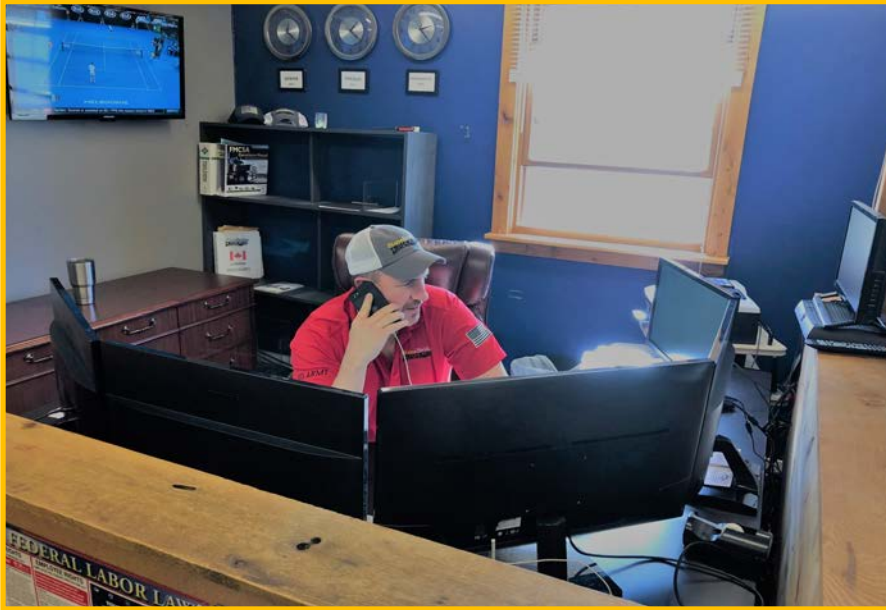
Along with being a proud husband and father, he is now a proud Grandpa. His daughter Brianna recently gave birth to his grandson Rhett. Because of this, he enjoys working at StoneBridge Trucking and his success in the private sector and the community shows a direct correlation: ***"When it comes to working 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 **1st 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.**

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are people.***

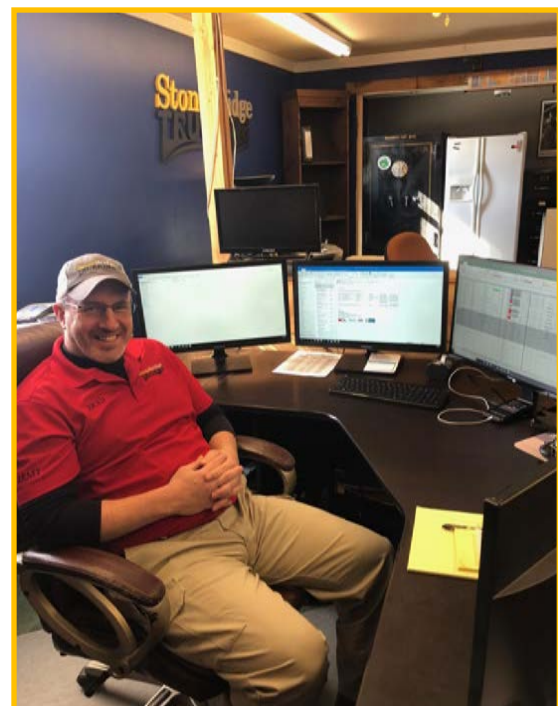
***KNOW the people
KNOW the person
KNOW the company***

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.”

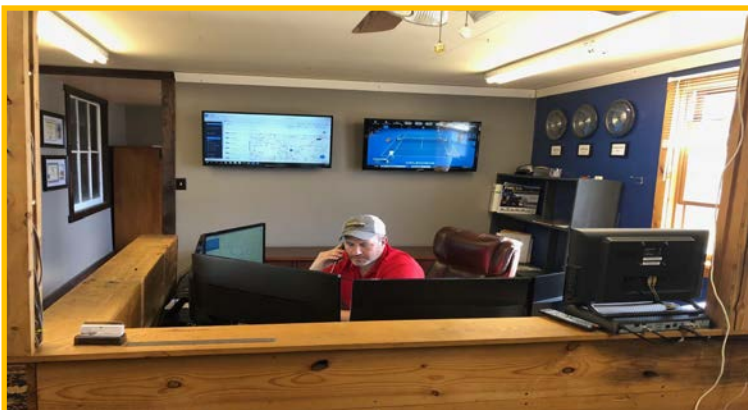
During the StoneBridge Christmas Party, Shane officially introduced Brad as the **“Next Voice of Stone-Bridge Trucking”** and Brad assumed that role full-time in January.

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”.**



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.



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",

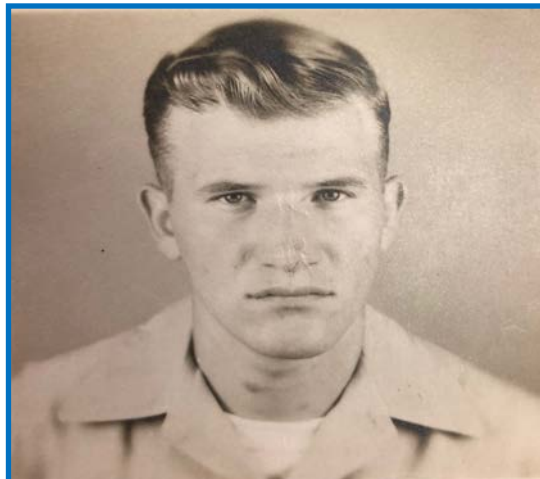
~ StoneBridge CEO Shane Kennedy.



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 an American 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 Lorie 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”.***

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RETIRED CHIEF CITY OFFICER
 Donald J. Kennedy, 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 Explore the *Genesis of StoneBridge Trucking*



StoneBridge TRUCKING
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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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The newly renovated StoneBridge Trucking Conference Room.

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THIS CHRISTMAS, STONEBRIDGE OPERATOR DAVE BROWN AND HIS FAMILY HAVE SOMETHING TO BE VERY THANKFUL FOR.

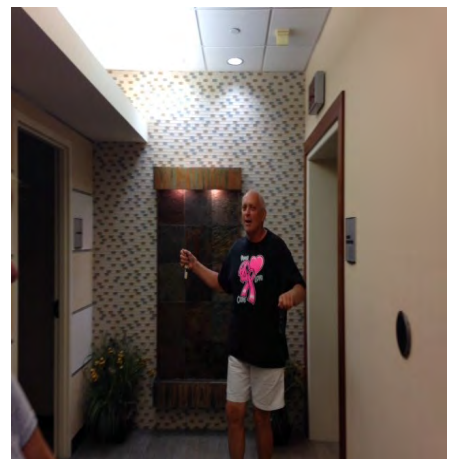
Dave Brown has spent the majority of his professional career as one of the most dependable drivers in the industry. Dave has been with StoneBridge Trucking for over 6 years. While with StoneBridge, he has built a reputation of honesty, dependability, and character. When Dave is called to expedite a load, 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."**

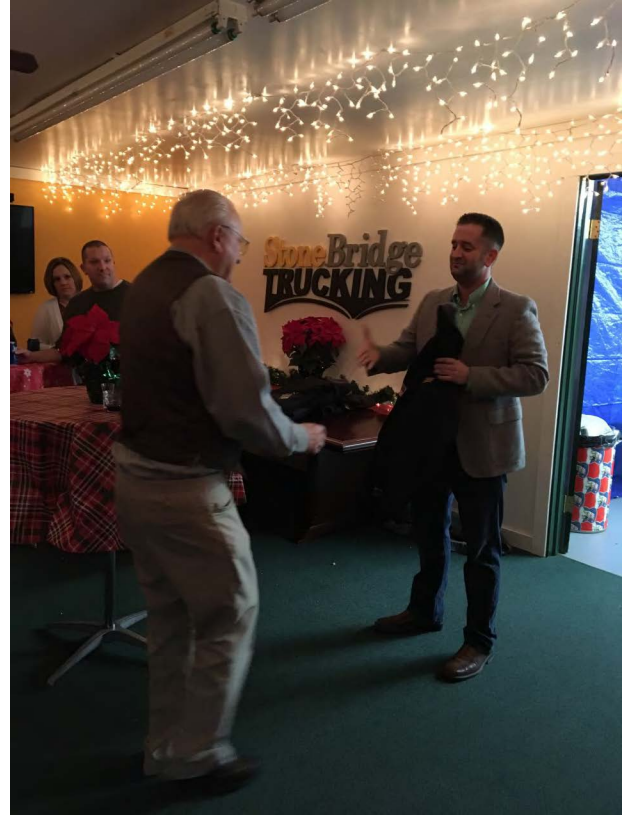
Even though the story of cancer has no ending, this story continues to get better every day. In September 2015, Dave and his family received the news that he was **IN REMISSION**. To this day, Dave remains on medication and an estrogen blocker, but has a completely new outlook on life. He wants people 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-Bridge Operators Dave Brown and Bill Gamble pose for a picture together.



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 **STONE**BRIDGE 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 Ziggensfuss. Don, a retired Navy Chief Petty Officer, has "NAVY (RET)" displayed on the back collar of his jacket.



Mark Scheidler embraces Shane Kennedy while receiving his StoneBridge jacket. Mark's jacket has 2 stripes recognizing his 3+ years being part of the StoneBridge Team.



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 Kennedy.



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



Pictured left: Fun at The StoneBridge Pub

Christmas with StoneBridge

Pictured right and below:
Many StoneBridge friends and family listen as the StoneBridge jackets are presented. Over 65 people attended the event throughout the evening.



Becky Struckman and her husband pose for a photo.

Brock Peetz and his wife pose for a photo.



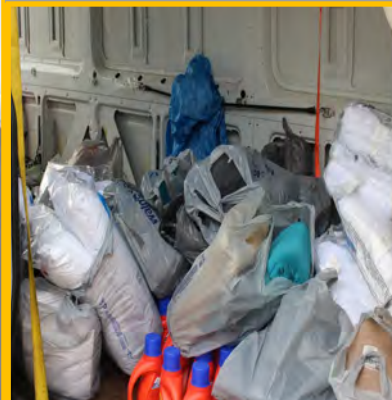
A Story of Service

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.



Challenges of 2017

The Morning After the StoneBridge Christmas Party, the StoneBridge Team gathered for breakfast and Driver Training to discuss the upcoming year and the challenges associated. The topics of discussion included: Driver Safety, Insurance, Box Truck addition with lift gate and Max Payload of 15Klbs, Sales Training, E-Log Implementation Regulations taking effect December 2017.



Pictured Above and Left: **Garry Hadler** sought the input of the Operator's who possess a CDL to discuss their experience with E-Logs while gaining input as to how to efficiently implement them in the StoneBridge Fleet. The Federal requirement for E-Log systems become effective in December 2017.

Pictured right: **Farmers Insurance Agent Adam Wentzel** addressed the StoneBridge Team on the importance of Driver and Vehicle Safety. Adam Wentzel has an incredible history of great service for StoneBridge Trucking.



Indiana Manufacturing

The European and Japanese presence in Shelby County.

A recent article written by Susan Orr of the Indiana Business Journal, informs us about the Japanese and European manufacturing presence in Shelby County.

Krone North America, a Germany-based agricultural equipment company has announced it is moving its Headquarters from Memphis, TN to Shelbyville by 2021 netting 101 jobs.

Nippon Steel & Sumitomo Metal Corp has announced plans to build a \$50 million plant employing 70, while Ryobi Die Casting USA is planning to spend \$97.5 million to expand its Shelbyville plant. Both are Japan based manufacturers.

- Orr, Susan. "New and expanded manufacturing, health centers land in Shelby County". Indiana Business Journal, November 25, 2016
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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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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, Stone-Bridge Trucking. It was one of the best decisions I have ever made.***



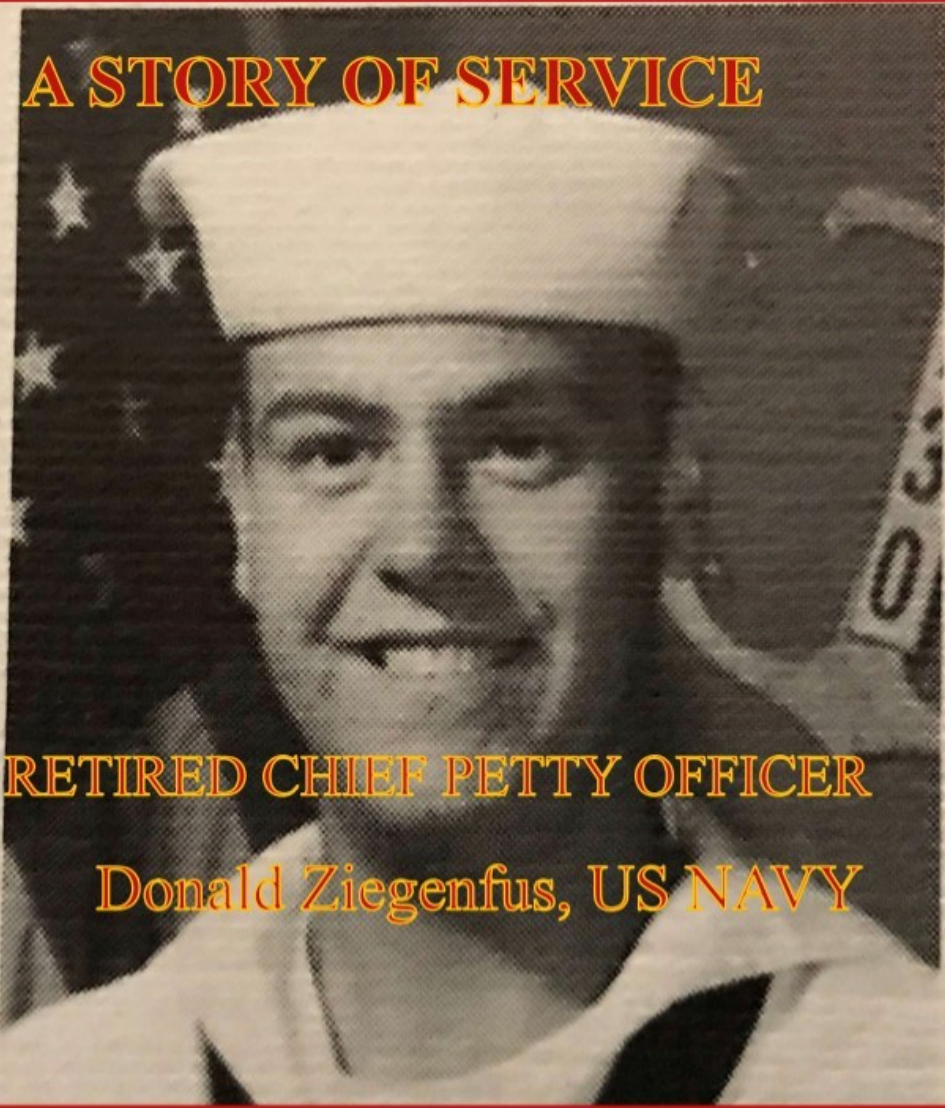
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RETIRED CHIEF PETTY OFFICER

Donald Ziegenfus, 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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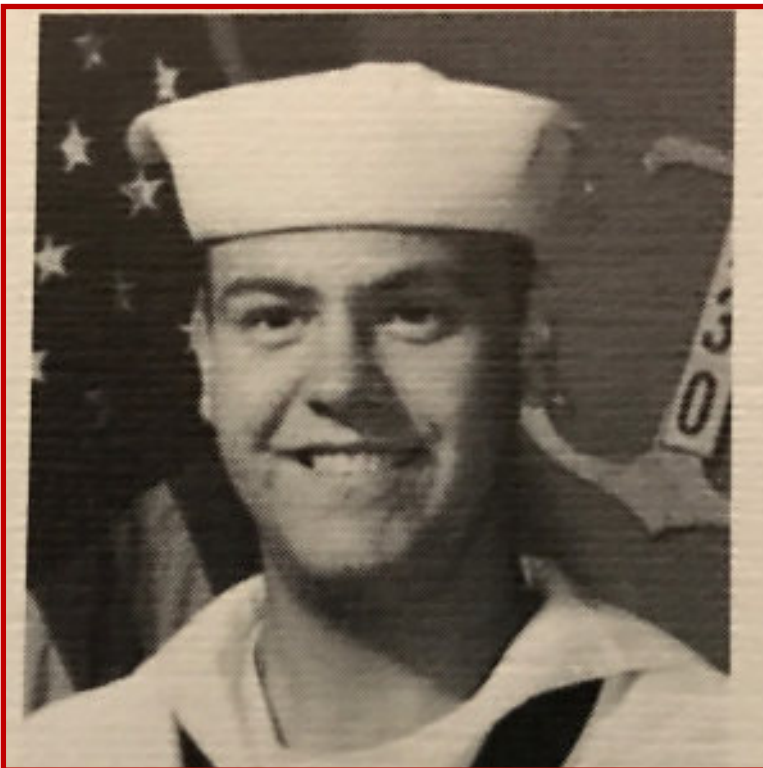
In 1972, Donald “Ziggy” Ziegenfus contemplated a decision many were pondering in 1972: *Join the military, or wait to be drafted?* At that time, Ziggy had a brother-in-law in the US Navy, and was not drawn towards the Army. On a Spring afternoon, his mother drove him to a recruiting office and signed 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.”***

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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.

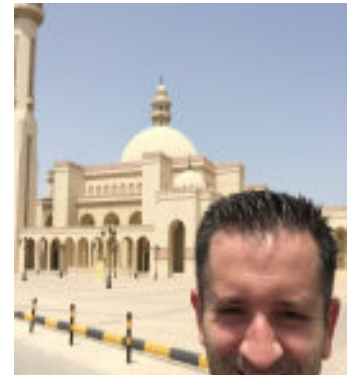
across the world for two weeks of training, but glad I did it."



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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