



## Rev. Sam W. Everhart

June 1, 1957 - October 1, 2007

Rev. Samuel W. Everhart, 50, of Muncie, went home to be with the Lord, Monday, October 1, 2007, in Methodist Hospital in Indianapolis.

He was born June 1, 1957 in Richland Center, Wisconsin, a son of Floyd C. and Helen A. (Neuhauser) Everhart.

Sam was a 1975 graduate of Nampa Christian High School in Nampa, ID. He attended Boise State University and in 1982 earned a Bachelor's in Theology from Bible Missionary Institute, in Rock Island, IL. It was there he met his wife and best friend, Phebe, whom he married on August 1, 1980. Together they have served congregations in Washington, IN; Lima, OH; Newburg, PA; Stillwater, OK; and for the past year the Muncie Pilgrim Nazarene Church. He was a dedicated pastor and loving father and husband who placed his family first. He was a hard worker and was employed at Delaware Glass Co. He enjoyed playing basketball and was an avid reader.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by his wife, Phebe (Roberts) Everhart of Muncie; four children, Sherissa Jean Everhart of Meridian, ID, Bethany Rachelle Everhart of Nampa, ID, Kenton Blake Everhart and Jilayna Breanne Everhart both at home; three brothers and three sisters, Jim (wife: Cindy) Everhart and Gary (wife: Donna) Everhart Sr. both of Boise, ID, Pam (husband: Jim) Doramus of Greenleaf, ID, Joy Everhart of McCall, ID, Gloria Everhart of Nampa, ID and Tim (wife: Beth) Everhart serving as missionaries in Georgetown, Guyana; and many in-laws, nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles and cousins.

He is joined in heaven by a brother, Daniel L. Everhart and two sisters-in-law, Roga Jean Everhart and Brenda Louise Roberts.

Local services will be held at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, October 4, 2007 at Sproles Family Funeral Home, with Rev. Dale Hayford officiating. Friends may call from 3:00 – 7:00 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

Funeral services will also be held at 2:00 p.m. Monday, October 8, 2007 at Grace Bible Church in Nampa, Idaho. Burial will follow in Hillcrest Memorial Gardens in Nampa. Friends may call Sunday from 2:00 – 6:00 p.m. at Zeyer Funeral Chapel in Nampa, Idaho.

An Educational Fund has been established for Kenton and Jilayna. You may make a contribution to Phebe Everhart or at any Key Bank, account #149062055274. You may send a personal condolence to the family at [www.sprolesfamilycares.com](http://www.sprolesfamilycares.com).

# Tribute Wall

DM

“ Our hearts are heavy at the loss of your Son, Your Husband, Your brother, your Father and your Friend. He was a kind and loving man will be missed and it is during this time that Christ will be there for you. Lean on Him, trust in Him and He will see you through this valley. He will be there.

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**Douglas Mitchell** - October 29, 2007 at 03:34 PM

RH

“ To Family of Sam Everhart, This website was just given to me and I certainly wanted you to know that after hearing of your loss, we went to prayer asking the Great God we serve to comfort and support you at a time like this and continue sustain you in the coming months. Sam's story left such a beautiful testimony of his love for God, family, and friends. We're all going to miss him.

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**Robin and Wilma Hood** - October 21, 2007 at 06:11 PM

DJ

“ Dear Everharts, I want you to know that you are in our thoughts and prayers daily. I have thought about you and your family so much. We can only live our lives daily see our loved ones again. We know that God can be the only one to help us through difficult times like these. I will continue to pray for you. Love, Dinah Jackman

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**Dinah Jackman** - October 14, 2007 at 03:11 PM

CD

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time. We will keep you in our prayers.

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**Chucky and Anna Dodd** - October 14, 2007 at 12:16 AM

KZ

“ Phoebe, I've prayed for you throughout every day since I got the news that Sam had gone to heaven. I'm praying for God's comforting, sustaining arms to hold you in these unbelievably hard hours and days. I pray much for each of your children as they grapple with their incredible loss. Just as I'm writing this to you, these words are being sung on the radio: "When answers aren't enough, there is Jesus. When answers aren't enough, HE is there!" My sister, Christine's, family is also praying for you all. Roger has had the Lubbock BMC hold you each up to the Lord. We will continue to lift you to Jesus. Love, Kathy

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**Kathy Zink** - October 09, 2007 at 05:29 PM

JE

“ Phebe and family. Our hearts were saddened upon hearing the news of Sam's accident. He was a blessing to all who knew him. We grieve with you during your time of sorrow. Heather talked of the good memories she had when Sam lived in Idaho and attended Nampa Christian School. We will always cherish the memories that Sam brought to our lives. His life was a testimony to the life in Christ. We will keep you in our thoughts and prayers. Jerry and Heather Esparza

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**Jerry & Heather Esparza** - October 07, 2007 at 10:39 PM

CY

“ I remeber the years of fun and seriousness at BMI. Sam was center to much of both. We will miss him and know that the world has lost an adovate for the lost. All who knew him well have lost a true and faithful friend.

*Charles & LeGaye Young Oklahoma*

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**Charles Young** - October 07, 2007 at 07:48 PM

BC

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with your family during this time of loss.*

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**Benjamin Crawford** - October 06, 2007 at 02:28 PM

KH

“ *I am so sorry. I miss you lots, and i hope to see you all soon. I love you all and you all will be in my prayers each and every day.*

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**Kaitlin Faith Harmon** - October 06, 2007 at 12:27 AM

JS

“ *Dear Sis. Everhart and family,  
We are praying for you in this very difficult time. Words fail us but we want you all to know we care.  
Your friends,  
James, Linda, Roxie and Justin Shiery*

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**James and Linda Shiery** - October 05, 2007 at 05:20 PM

EK

“ *so sorry to hear of this great tragedy. I remember Sam from several years ago when he along with Gary, Jim and their wives also along with Rusty Kaufman held a tent meeting in Nebraska City, ne. Please express our deepest sympathies to everyone. Everett & Shirley Keesler*

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**Everett Keesler** - October 05, 2007 at 11:29 AM

SJ

“ Dear Phoebe, Our hearts go out to you at this time. We are so sad to hear about Sam. We have fond memories of you and your family. Please know we are praying. We didn't even know you were in Muncie. If you need any help please get ahold of us...we mean that. We could help and would be glad to do it. We are only a little over an hour away. Our love and prayers, Steve and Darla Johns

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**Steve and Darla Johns** - October 05, 2007 at 09:30 AM

JP

“ Dear Phebe and family, We just wanted to let you all know that you are in our thoughts and prayers. We will always treasure the memories of Bro Sam. We've enjoyed knowing you all through the years. God Bless you! Jody, Becky, Mark, Courtney, Kevin and Emily Pruett

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**jody and Becky Pruett** - October 05, 2007 at 12:35 AM

SB

“ My prayers and thoughts will be with you all!  
Sincerely, Sharla (Keesler) Bryant

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**Sharla Keesler Bryant** - October 04, 2007 at 09:46 PM

MG

“ We are thinking about you.

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**Maria (Deel) & Larry Grow** - October 04, 2007 at 09:14 PM

WC

“ We were so saddened to hear of this tragedy. We are praying for you and your family. We have many good memories from Duncan camp. Love and prayers, Wendell & Deborah (Johnson) Conner & family

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**Wendell & Deborah Conner** - October 04, 2007 at 08:33 PM

MS

“ My prayers are with you folks. Your loss is heaven's gain. I am glad to have experienced Sam's friendship as a BMI student, a fellow minister, and as one who was helped by his pastoral ministry during our year at Lima. I will always remember his kind and helpful Christian spirit.

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**Mark Sawmiller** - October 04, 2007 at 08:06 PM

MC

“ Aunt Helen and Uncle Floyd and family, I am so sorry to hear about Sam's passing but have the peace of knowing where he is and we will meet again one day. Our church family will be praying for you. May you feel God's arms as he grants you his grace to endure the coming days. Love Mary Ellen

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**Mary Ellen Cox** - October 04, 2007 at 06:38 PM

SW

“ Dear Phoebe and Family, So saddened by your tragic loss. Please know that I am praying for you and your family and I do know that our Father will see you through all of this. With much love and prayers!

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**Sarah E. Watkins-Smith** - October 04, 2007 at 05:53 PM

MB

“ Dear Phebe and Children, I could hardly believe the message that came to me earlier concerning Sam's accident and sudden home-going. It seems so unreal. I can just see his contagious smile and feel his victorious spirit. He was always a blessing, and you have been a special person to me since your teenage years back in Duncan. My heart is aching for you and the children, but I have proven God's word to be true and He will not fail you in this hour. "The eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms." You are probably experiencing even now those everlasting arms carrying you.  
We are praying for you here and will continue to do so in the days that lie ahead. Sharing your sorrow. My love, Sis. Bullock

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**Mrs. Doris Bullock** - October 04, 2007 at 03:41 PM

JH

“ We are praying for you and your family.

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**John & Valerie Howard** - October 04, 2007 at 03:09 PM

KS

“ We were so sorry to hear of the tragic loss of Bro. Everhart. Our prayers are with your family during this difficult time. Kevin, Carla, Garret, and Hunter Southerland

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**Kevin and Carla Southerland** - October 04, 2007 at 02:15 PM

TJ

“ We send our love with deepest sympathy and our prayers to you all at this time.

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**Tom & Jackie Jones** - October 04, 2007 at 01:38 PM

GL

“ We were saddened to hear of your loss. You have our deepest sympathy, and our prayers are with your family.

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**Gene & Nell Longworth** - October 04, 2007 at 01:17 PM

MD

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this tremendous loss!  
Mary Beth & Bebo Davis

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**Mary Beth (Snodgrass) Davis** - October 04, 2007 at 12:17 PM

CH

“ Everhardt family, my heart is heavy for your loss. I went to high school with Sam and have sweet memories of him, his siblings and parents. Even back then, Sam was full of life and loved by all. I am thankful to see how he committed his life to serve the Lord! My prayers are with you all and I am confident that God will be your source of comfort and strength as you lean on Him.

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**Cheryl (Frankamp) Haley** - October 04, 2007 at 11:05 AM

MR

“ We really enjoyed visiting your church. We felt very welcome. We'll never forget the last message he preached when we were there on August 12. It was about the Lighthouse. We enjoyed that message. We will always consider you our friends though we didn't know you very well. You are like family to us. Please let us know if there is anything we can do for you. Hope we'll meet again someday. Love,  
Mike and Linda Raper

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**Mike and Linda Raper** - October 04, 2007 at 10:56 AM

JW

“ Rev. Sam W. Everhart

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**Judith Wade** - October 04, 2007 at 10:20 AM

KS

“ Dear Ones,  
We are so very, very sorry about your great loss.  
Kent is not feeling well enough to travel to the memorial service, but  
you can be sure that our love and prayers are there with you.  
Kent and Janet Sawmiller

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**Kent & Janet Sawmiller** - October 04, 2007 at 10:14 AM

SM

“ Phoebe and family, Carol called to tell me the sad news. Of course I  
didn't know your husband, but I do remember many happy days  
growing up in Duncan, OK. with you and your family. We will never  
understand on this side of heaven, but we know who holds  
tomorrow and He is in control. Please know that we are among the  
community of loved ones and friends that will be holding you and  
your little family up in prayer. Much love to you and yours. Susan  
(Scott) Moore

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**Susan Scott Moore** - October 04, 2007 at 08:38 AM

MM

“ We were saddened to read about the loss of this Godly man. He  
helped with the eulogy of my aunt's funeral just a few weeks ago.  
Subsequently his church provided a dinner for my aunt's family  
even though she wasn't a member of the church. We will pray for  
the family in this difficult time. He was one of many spirit-filled  
preachers that this church was fortunate to have and I know he will  
be missed by all who knew him. Louis & Paula Miles

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**Mr. & Mrs. L.A. Miles** - October 04, 2007 at 12:38 AM

BJ

“ Phoebe and children, you are in our thoughts and prayers through the days and nights. It is so sweet to be able to fall into the arms of Jesus and rest in Him in this time of loss. Phoebe, thank you for always living Jesus and showing His love to others.

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**Bruce & Carol Jenkins** - October 03, 2007 at 11:38 PM

JT

“ Dear Phebe and family, We just wanted to let you all know that you are in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Joe and Gay Taylor** - October 03, 2007 at 11:05 PM

RB

“ Dear Phebe, Wanda and I have just learned of the personal tragedy your family has just experienced. We are shocked and saddened to hear of Sam's untimely (from our perspective) homegoing. Be assured of our love and prayers during this dreadfully difficult time. Sam's (and your) life has touched so many of us, and he will forever be treasured in our hearts. Love and Prayers, Bro. & Sis. Beckham

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**Richard & Wanda Beckham** - October 03, 2007 at 10:59 PM

RL

“ We are praying for you all during this trajic time.  
God still is in control.  
You will be in our prayers in the days ahead.  
Our prayers and sympathy are with you.  
Bro. & Sis. David D. Letts

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**Rev. & Mrs. David D. Letts** - October 03, 2007 at 10:46 PM

KM

“ I don't understand why God allows things like this. The grief seems like more than we can take. I know that God through it all does all things well, even if I don't understand. Please cling to Him like I did. He will help you.

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**Kith C. Miller** - October 03, 2007 at 10:43 PM

RD

“ Our hearts are breaking with you at this time of loss. I lost my brother when he was only 18. Only time and God can help the hurt deep inside. We will be praying for you all. Love, Darin, Janelle, Karen, Kameron, and Lauren

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**Rev. & Mrs. Darin Dodd** - October 03, 2007 at 10:27 PM

DR

“ Sis. Everhart & children: We are saddened with you over your loss. We have many fond memories while we were in Lima while you were pastoring there. Bro. Everhart's testimony and bright smile were always an encouragement. You are in our prayers as you face this most difficult of life's trials.

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**David & Chris Randolph** - October 03, 2007 at 09:42 PM

JA

“ We are keeping you in our prayers

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**Jim & "Sam" Anderson** - October 03, 2007 at 09:16 PM

MS

“ Dear Phebe, Sharissa, Bethany, Kenton, and Jalayna, We are all still in shock at the sad news of Sam's passing. It is such a comfort to know that God is in control, and what a reunion in Heaven there must have been when he made the landing! It just makes Heaven that much more real! We are praying that God will sustain all of you during this time, and want you to know that we love you all dearly, like family. Our home is open to you all, you are more than welcome to stay here when you come to Idaho. Our love and prayers, Mark and Nancy Sawmiller and children

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**Mark and Nancy Sawmiller** - October 03, 2007 at 08:52 PM

DB

“ Phoebe and family: I am at a loss for words. I certainly have been lifting you all up in prayer. I am so sorry. When I heard it hit me like a ton of bricks. I know the coming days are going to be extremely difficult, but God will be there. Let Him be your leaning tower and source of strength. We certainly will be praying for you this whole time. Dan Batton

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**Dan Batton** - October 03, 2007 at 08:40 PM

JS

“ We are praying for your family at this time. Keep leaning hard on Jesus.

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**Johnny & Kellie Smith** - October 03, 2007 at 07:23 PM

QB

“ *Phoebe: I don't even know how to begin to express our sympathies for you and your children. It is at moments like these that we must simply "trust God's heart." So many years have passed since we were together here in Lake Charles, but you and Sam have always held our utmost respect and admiration. Please know that we are daily calling your name and the names of your extended family to our Heavenly Father.*

*Much love,  
Quinton and Judy Brown*

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**Quinton and Judy Brown** - October 03, 2007 at 05:24 PM

BB

“ *Dear Phebe and family, we were so sad to hear of your huge loss. We've been praying for you. May God bless and comfort you during this time.*

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**Buddy & Naomi Byers** - October 03, 2007 at 04:33 PM

RJ

“ *Bro Everhart filled in as pastor at Littlefield, Texas when they had no regular pastor. Mr. and Mrs. Karl Thornburgh, Mrs Anna Durr's mother and father, thought a lot of Bro. Sam. Bro. Everhart was there with Karl when Mrs. Thornburgh went to be with Jesus. The family appreciated him being there so much. Bro. Everhart sang for Mrs Karl Thornburgh's funeral.*

*Phoebe Our prayers are with you, your family and Sam's family.*

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**Robert & Anna Durr, Jr.** - October 03, 2007 at 02:42 PM

TT

“ Dearest Phoebe and children, We want you to know that you are in our prayers. Our hearts are heavy over your loss but your consolation is in the fact that Sam is rejoicing around the Throne and will be waiting for you to follow someday. We pray that Jesus will hold you ever so tight at this time. Tim and Rhonda Todd and family

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**Tim and Rhonda Todd** - October 03, 2007 at 02:39 PM

DT

“ My dear Phoebe and family, So sad to hear of your loss. Be assured you are in my thoughts and prayers. May the everlasting arms of Jesus hold you close. Love, Sister Tiethoff

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**Dorothy Tiethoff** - October 03, 2007 at 02:32 PM

DH

“ I'm so very sorry for the loss of Sam. My heart goes out to Phoebe, the children and the rest of the family.

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**don heldenbrand** - October 03, 2007 at 01:20 PM

CH

“ I and my family are so very sad to hear of Bro. Everhart's passing. He will be sorely missed. He was a wonderful pastor, and your family was such a blessing to me. Our prayers are with you.

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**Christine Huff** - October 03, 2007 at 12:59 PM

HI

“ Sister Phebe and Family, please accept our deepest and most heartfelt condolences nad sympathuies for this great loss. Our hearts go out to you for we know the sting that death brings. We lost Daddy last year and know that God will be there for you and comfort you. I write this on behalf of my mother Shirley dorsett and my sister, Cindy Hunter and Family. We will see our loved ones again heaven. Lean up on the Lord, for there is comfort in Him. God Bless you all.

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**Harold Dorsett II** - October 03, 2007 at 11:05 AM

AJ

“ Sorry to hear of your loss. We love you, and are praying for you during this time.

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**Aaron & Melissa Johnson** - October 03, 2007 at 10:45 AM

JS

“ Sis. Everhart and family: Was very sad to hear this news. Don't know what to say except that our prayers are with ya'll. We know that the Lord will never fail and never makes mistakes even though we don't understand. Bro. Everhart held revival for us in St. Louis several years ago and got acquainted with him. Appreciated his preaching and thought highly of him. We know the Lord will comfort and keep you through this time of sorrow.

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**James & Kim Sims** - October 03, 2007 at 10:13 AM

DG

“ Phebe, My heart is breaking for you, Sharissa, Bethany, Kenton & Jilayna. I cannot even fathom your pain! Just wanted you to know that I am thinking of you and praying for you and yours. You and Sam will never know the impact you made on me with your kindness. Love, Donna

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**Donna (Paul) Gerdts** - October 03, 2007 at 10:04 AM

DB

“ Phebe & children ~ We were so saddened to hear of the passing of Sam. It just reminds us that none of us are promised tomorrow but that we should always be ready. You all will certainly be in our prayers.

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**Dale & Robin (Barefield) Bailey** - October 03, 2007 at 09:52 AM

RW

“ Dear Sis. Everhart, Sherissa, Bethany, Kenton, & Jilayna, It is still very difficult to believe that Bro. Everhart is gone. He was a great friend, and we will miss him dearly. We are praying for ya'll in this difficult time. I know what you children are going through and I know that God will be with you in a special way. Lean hard on Him and He will not fail. God bless you and we will see you in Idaho.  
The Melvin Waters Family

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**Rev. Melvin Waters** - October 03, 2007 at 08:44 AM

GR

“ We have cried with you, prayed for you and held you up before our Father.  
Somehow we look up through this time of tears and grief and remember that we do not sorrow as those who have no hope. Now we can also await the Grand Reunion...it is our hope, our promise (as Jesus told his disciples 'I will see you again')...we take comfort in knowing what lies ahead. You will see Sam again.  
God keep you in his loving care in all the days to come.

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**Grandmom** - October 03, 2007 at 08:40 AM

RH

“ Dear Everhart family we are praying for you and know that God's grace will sustain you in your sorrow. Rev.& Mrs. Clindel Harbison

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**Rev.& Mrs. Clindel Harbison** - October 03, 2007 at 08:00 AM

NS

“ Dear Phebe and children,  
Our hearts are so saddened to hear of Bro. Everhart's sudden passing. We are praying that God will comfort and sustain each of you in this hour of tremendous loss.  
Your friends, Morris and Nadine Snodgrass

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**Nadine Snodgrass** - October 03, 2007 at 12:42 AM

SH

“ Phebe & Family Words could never express our grief we are feeling for you. All the memories and the good times our families have shared from the past years came flooding back today as we thought of you all. May you feel the nearness of God in the days and weeks to come. We love you all  
Marlinda & Stephen

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**Stephen & Marlinda Holten** - October 03, 2007 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ We just want you to know that our love and prayers are with you and your family at this time. May God continue to wrap His arms around you and hold you close in the coming days. Dan and Beth Batton and Family

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**Dan and Beth Batton** - October 02, 2007 at 11:47 PM

SS

“ Phebe and family ~ We are keeping you very close to our hearts, and our prayers are lifting you to the heart of God. Steve & Connie Snodgrass, Katelyn and Tara

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**Steve and Connie Snodgrass** - October 02, 2007 at 11:01 PM

TS

“ Dear Everhart Family, We wanted ya'll to know we are praying that God will wrap you in His strong arms and hold you close. We are so very sorry for this big loss in your life. Tim, Rachelle, Jeffrey and Katelyn Smith

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**Tim and Rachelle Smith** - October 02, 2007 at 10:56 PM

RJ

“ Our hearts are grieved over the loss of Brother Everhart. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Rev & Mrs James Jolly** - October 02, 2007 at 06:58 PM

SJ

“ I am so saddened by your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

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**Sherry Jolly** - October 02, 2007 at 06:57 PM

RD

“ Dear Phoebe & children, Sharissa, Bethany, Kenton & Jalayna, We were so shocked and saddened of the tragedy that so suddenly struck your home. We are praying God would be with you all in a very special way. We remember how Sam would sing and praise the Lord!! We know he is in Heaven, and will meet you someday! We will keep you all in our prayers daily. Love the Durr family

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**Robert & Naomi Durr** - October 02, 2007 at 06:55 PM

DP

“ Although our paths never crossed in this life, please know that you all are in our thoughts & Prayers, and may the Grace of God bring you comfort in the days ahead.  
Dan & Leah Plemmons Rochester Hills, MI Pilgrim Holiness Church

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**Dan & Leah Plemmons** - October 02, 2007 at 04:57 PM