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## Hero and Friend

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Billy Barnes Enterprises, Inc. would like to honor Master Sgt. George A. Bannar Jr., a soldier who made the ultimate sacrifice for our country. Bannar died on August 20, 2013, from injuries sustained after his unit was attacked by enemy forces in Wardak province, Afghanistan.

Bannar was a medical sergeant assigned to Company C, 3rd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group (Airborne) at Fort Bragg. This was his fifth deployment in support of "Operation Enduring

Freedom." Throughout his service he earned many awards including the Bronze Star Medal with Valor Device, Meritorious Service Medal, Bronze Star Medal, Army Commendation Medal with Valor Device, Army Commendation Medal (3), Army Achievement Medal, Meritorious Unit Commendation, Army Good Conduct Medal (5), National Defense Service Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal with three Campaign Stars, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, as well as other honors.

Bannar was a decorated soldier, yes, but he was much more than that. He was a loving husband to his wife Michelle, a beloved son, and a cherished friend. He was a friend to my son, Josh, and his family. They were fellow soldiers stationed at Fort Bragg as well as next door neighbors. Their wives are friends. His death has left them broken hearted along with many others. Please pray for peace and healing for his wife, family, and friends who will miss him dearly with each passing day.

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Bannar was laid to rest in Culpeper National Cemetery on September 3, 2013. He will forever be remembered in the hearts of everyone who knew him, taking his rightful place as a true American Hero. Bannar joins the ranks of countless others who have fought and died defending the freedoms on which this country was founded. We owe Bannar, as well as our military past and present, our respect and our gratitude!

Therefore, on behalf of Billy Barnes Enterprises, Inc., we say THANK YOU Master Sgt. George A. Bannar Jr., for your service to country, for your dedication to protecting freedom, and for your willingness to sacrifice your life for ours. We salute you!

## It is the Soldier...

By: Charles M. Province

It is the Soldier, not the minister who has given us freedom of religion.

It is the Soldier, not the reporter who has given us freedom of the press.

It is the Soldier, not the poet who has given us freedom of speech.

It is the Soldier, not the campus organizer who has given us freedom to protest.

It is the Soldier, not the lawyer who has given us the right to a fair trial.

It is the Soldier, not the politician who has given us the right to vote.

It is the Soldier, who salutes the flag,  
who serves beneath the flag,  
and whose coffin is draped by the flag,  
who allows the protester to burn the flag.



## BBE Mourns the Loss of Billy Wilson



William "Billy" Wilson Jr. passed away on August 30, 2013, at his home in Opp, AL. Billy, better known as "Round Man," began working with the company in 2004. He first hauled chips out of Elba until the Opp mill opened. He hauled out of Opp until it closed, and then started hauling chips out of Elba again.

When describing Billy, his dispatcher, Kenny Boatwright said, "Billy was always reliable about being at work and doing what he was supposed to do. Everyone liked Billy. I never heard one negative word about him. He was always in a good mood, and I can't remember him ever complaining to me about anything. Billy was a good man and a hard worker."

December would have marked Billy's ninth year with BBE. He was a valued employee and will be greatly missed. Psalm 34:18 says, "The Lord is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit." Please pray that comfort and healing will come to Billy's family & friends.

## BBE Awarded Two New Contracts

### Idaho Timber Haul Coushatta, LA:

In an effort to expand BBE's Louisiana footprint, we have signed on with Idaho Timber in Coushatta, LA, to be their primary hauler. This is a new customer for BBE, and we will be hauling chips and shavings. Idaho Timber is located between the IP Campti mill and the IP Mansfield mill. We are currently running 20-25 loads of chips per week. Beginning in 2014, we expect to run 100 loads of chips per week and 10-15 loads of shavings per week.

### West Fraser Haul, McDavid, FL:

We have also contracted to start hauling out of West Fraser in McDavid, FL again. This mill has been dormant since 2009, but prior to that, we hauled shavings for them. This haul is expected to start up in October. We will initially be hauling chips and bark. Beginning in 2014, we expect to haul 92 loads of chips per week and 12 loads of bark per week.

We are looking to hire more drivers in both of these areas, so if you know a driver who is interested in working for BBE, please let Mary know.



"Hard work spotlights the character of people: some turn up their sleeves, some turn up their noses, and some don't turn up at all."

Sam Ewing

## Driver Appreciation Save the Date

Billy Barnes Enterprises is excited to announce that we will host a Christmas "Driver Appreciation" Party. Please join us on December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2013, for lunch at the Monroeville Community House. The fun begins at 11:30am, and lunch will be served at 12:00pm.

Door prizes such as TVs, gift certificates, and more will be given away. You must attend to win! We will also present the 2013 Drivers of the Year, so mark your calendars!

This is a family event, so bring your spouse and children, and prepare to have a good time. We can't wait to see you there!



## Ukrainian Children Hosted in Monroeville

This summer 19 Ukrainian children were hosted in the Kilpatrick home here in Monroeville through the non-profit organization *Grace to Ukraine*. They arrived June 2<sup>nd</sup>, beginning their three week stay. The children were divided into three groups and split their time between Monroeville and Birmingham, AL.

While here in Monroeville, they went swimming, kayaking, fishing, horseback riding, skeet shooting, and even took trips to Orange Beach. However, that is not all they were able to do while here in Monroeville.

BBE volunteered to take the children for rides around the terminal in a "big truck" as the kids called it. Everyone who got the chance to ride loved it! The guardian and translator were even excited. BBE hopes to be involved with the children who are hosted next summer as well.



[www.gracetoukraine.net](http://www.gracetoukraine.net)

# Decision Driving

Jim Barber, Safety Executive, *safety talk*, Great West Casualty Company, Fall 2013 edited to fit

What is a driving decision?

Examples are: checking mirrors and gauges, slowing, speeding up, signaling, executing lane changes, keeping proper following distance, and proper lane positioning before a turn. These decisions become second nature as a person has more driving experience.

There are influences that assist us in making driving decisions. They are Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMCSR), company

policies and procedures, self-interest, and priorities and values. The FMCSR and company policies and procedures assist us in making decisions because they tell us what we can and cannot do. Self-interest helps us make decisions by knowing if we don't obey the laws and rules we could be harmed. Priorities assist us in making decisions on what is important at the time. Values influence our decisions because they are deeply held beliefs beyond compromise.

When operating a commercial vehicle, the driver must make the

correct decision in a split second. Failure to do so can put the motoring public and the commercial driver at risk of injury or death. Knowledge and understanding of the types of crashes that can be catastrophic to automobile occupants and the commercial driver is paramount in making correct decisions.

Knowing the correct techniques to prevent catastrophic car/truck collisions should be a deeply held belief beyond compromise.

**Make good decisions when behind the steering wheel.**



## October:

Scott Ziglar-10/05  
 James Bradley-10/06  
 Michael Reid-10/06  
 James Tate-10/06  
 Chris Champion-10/07  
 Billy Day-10/08  
 Alvin Roberson-10/09  
 Perry Jackson-10/09  
 Matthew Scroggins-10/09  
 Zackery Worley-10/11  
 Charlie Kilpatrick-10/12

Marvin Below-10/14  
 John Bryan- 10/18  
 Rodney Morgan-10/18  
 Hannibal Blackmon-10/19  
 Joe Holifield-10/21  
 David Lashley-10/22  
 Tim Catrett-10/27  
 Jerry Layton-10/30

## November:

Willie Jewell-11/01  
 Charlie Jones-11/01

Danny Reid-11/01  
 Michael Thomas-11/01  
 Gary Pugh-11/02  
 Tina Upton-11/05  
 Kenneth Gibson-11/06  
 Dan Fuell-11/10  
 Stephen Mitchell-11/10  
 David Dixon-11/15  
 Huey Meeks-11/17  
 Eugene Presley-11/17  
 William Norsworthy-11/18  
 Roger Kirkland-11/20  
 O'Neal Matthews-11/20  
 John Lindsey-11/21  
 Hal Hayes-11/22  
 Johnny Snodgrass-11/25  
 Roger Tenhagen-11/25  
 Daniel Grace-11/26  
 Adam Keith-11/27  
 James Sims-11/30

## December:

David Stabler-12/01  
 Melinda Wiggins-12/01  
 Tony Morgan-12/06  
 Christopher Ellis-12/09  
 Tim Ward-12/09  
 Patrick Clayton-12/10  
 Todd Drury-12/10  
 Donald Baker-12/11  
 Brian Wilhem-12/11  
 David Wood-12/11  
 Ladon Cauley-12/14  
 DL Mason-12/14  
 William Haslip-12/22  
 Alton Buskey-12/23  
 Chris Robbins-12/27  
 Kendall Jay-12/28  
 Phillip Gibson-12/29  
 Tracy Womack-12/29  
 Luke Hudson-12/30  
 Jerry Moomey-12/30



## October:

Bruce Harris-29 yrs  
 John Lindsey-26 yrs  
 Melvin Blankenship-24 yrs  
 John Sullivan-20 yrs

Willie Jewell-14 yrs  
 Kenny Boatwright-11 yrs  
 Dan Fuell-10 yrs  
 Bennie Bozeman-9 yrs  
 Johnny Saucer-9 yrs  
 Joe Pettis-8 yrs

Bobby Reeves-6 yrs  
 Todd Drury-2 yrs  
 Kendall Jay- 2 yrs  
 Melinda Wiggins-2 yrs  
 Arthur Young- 2 yrs  
 Theresa Carr-1 yr  
 Susan Dyess-1 yr  
 Manfred Sanders-1 yr

## November:

Terry Kilpatrick-34 yrs  
 Chris Robbins-17 yrs

Tina Upton-17 yrs  
 Donald Davison-8 yrs  
 O'Neal Matthews-8 yrs  
 Mac Goneke-6 yrs  
 Chris Potter-3 yrs

## December:

James Tate-20 yrs  
 Ned Adams-17 yrs  
 Sammie Tunstall-9 yrs  
 Matt Kelley-3 yrs  
 Wayne Summers-1 yr