



## Edward Toner Strong II

August 23, 1964 - January 7, 2022

Edward (Ed) Toner Strong II passed away at the age of 57 on January 7, 2022.

Born in Altoona in 1964 he graduated from Altoona Area High School in 1982 where he was in the band, he played a mean drum. Out of high school he enlisted in the Army where he spent 6 years in the infantry unit even going overseas to Germany for a few years. Upon his returned from the Army, he moved to Carlisle and then settling in Loysville, Perry County.

He was an Army veteran and the Perry County Honor Guard Commander. Affiliates with the New Bloomfield VFW and a lifetime member of the American Legion. And enjoyed French and Indian and Revolutionary War re-enacting for over 20 years. He retired from Roadway Yellow trucking company in 2018. And was enjoying his time with family and friends making trips back to Altoona, Reinholds, and hanging out with family and neighbors.

He worked with Home Depot to help veterans get repairs needed to make their life easier. He volunteered with the military share by driving deliveries to veterans that were home bound. He loved his military brothers.

He was a son, brother, uncle, husband, father and friend to many. He was preceded in death by his grandfather George Wilt and grandmother Lona Strong both of Altoona. He survived by his father and mother, Ed Sr. and Ann Strong of Altoona, Sister Brenda (Strong)and Don Williams of Loretto, Brother Craig and Rachel Strong of Tyrone, wife Barbara Strong of Loysville, daughters Fawn Strong and James of Landisburg, Sky (Strong) Metzger and Kyle of Carlisle, Jade Strong and Chi Chi of Landisburg, and granddaughter Kloe Strong, along with nieces and nephews and close friends.

Funeral services will be 2 PM on Saturday, May 14, 2022 in the Boyer Family Funeral Home, New Bloomfield. A visitation will be held from noon til 2 PM. Interment, with full military honors provided by the Perry County Honor Guard, will be in Indiantown Gap National Cemetery on Monday, May 16, 2022 at 2 PM.

The family has requested that remembrances be made in the form of contributions to The Perry County Honor Guard, VFW New Bloomfield, PA

# Cemetery Details

## Indiantown Gap National Cemetery

## Previous Events

### Visitation

MAY 14. 12:00 PM (ET)

Boyer Family Funeral Home  
101 W. Main Street  
New Bloomfield, PA

### Funeral Service

MAY 14. 2:00 PM (ET)

Boyer Family Funeral Home  
101 W. Main Street  
New Bloomfield, PA

### Indiantown Gap National Cemetery Service

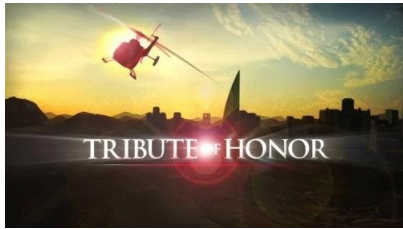
MAY 16. 2:00 PM.

Indiantown National Cemetery  
Annville, PA

# Tribute Wall



“ Boyer Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Edward Toner Strong II



Boyer Family Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Inc - May 10, 2022 at 03:11 PM

BG

“ “Special” Ed AKA Drum Major Armstrong

*Ed has been our friend for over 20 years going back to the Susquehanna Pipes and Drums and over 20 years with Muskets of the Crown, a reenacting group engaged in French and Indian War and Revolutionary War events. Ed was an outstanding musician and comedian. Sometimes simultaneously. Once at Bushy Run he was to beat Reveille while marching through the camp. Now, each command has it's own drum beats and other units had already displayed a woeful ignorance of basic calls such as Assembly and Cease Fire. Ed chose to play Wipe Out instead of Reveille. Traveling to events with Ed always involved harsh words. Usually within the first 5 minutes. Why? Because he had you laughing so hard in those 5 minutes you couldn't see for the tears! Not good on the Turnpike!*

*RIP my friend. Go easy on the Celestial Choir while training the Celestial Drum Corps. Your friends haven't forgotten the fits you gave the Shrine Bands at City Island!*

*Bill and Susan Gable*



Bill and Susan Gable - January 13, 2022 at 03:21 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Edward Toner Strong II.*



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January 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM

RB

“ *There never seems to be enough time. I only knew you for a few years at THD, but felt like we had been friends forever. Your laughter, even through times of adversity was contagious. You truly possessed a special gift. Your memory will live on as we think of a "life well lived." Thank you for being such a great friend. May your family and friends all know how special you truly were.*

*Ray Barrick*

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**Ray Barrick** - January 12, 2022 at 09:17 AM

DD

“ *I worked with Ed at work at Carlisle. He was a great friend and coworker, he told me some good stories and showed me pictures of his reenacting that he did. I couldn't believe he had that much time to do any thing else with all he did. He always was joking around and smiling, he will be greatly missed because he was a GREAT person and always had a smile on his face. Condolences to the families*

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**Don Davies** - January 11, 2022 at 08:42 PM

RS

“ *Ed and I became friends at Keith Jr high where he taught me all the best ways to joke around and get in trouble in the percussion section. I'll never forget his kind and generous way of watching out for me, two years his junior and much smaller than anyone else in the band. I'll miss his way of telling a great story, too. My condolences to his family.*

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**Randy Servello** - January 11, 2022 at 07:57 PM

WG

“ *A great Friend, True comrade, a brother in arms and always left a legacy for us all to follow. Ed you will never be forgotten as you set up a path for many to follow and will always be remembered by all as a selfless servant in all you did. Thank for taking the time for being a brother, and friend. You will be missed so much by many but we will all live on for you and condo our best to continue your legacy.*

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**Warren Godfrey** - January 11, 2022 at 05:48 PM

WG

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**Warren Godfrey** - January 11, 2022 at 05:45 PM

 Bob  
Snook

“ Ed was a terrific person. Him and I and others used to try and tell the best joke, he had a strange wit at times, but made everyone laugh. We and he always played, until time for funeral service then he was a professional. Walked into the VFW the other day for a funeral, first one since Ed passed. Was solemn everyone missed him but no one said anything. VFW set up a yuengling light and a sign in his memory. He will be missed by all.

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**Bob Snook** - January 11, 2022 at 05:35 PM