



Thomas Elliot Brown

December 24, 1966 - September 15, 2008

BROWN

Thomas "Elliot" Brown, beloved husband, father and son, went to be with the Lord on Monday, September 15. Elliot was born on Christmas Eve, December 24, 1966 in Kingsville, Texas. He attended elementary school in Kingsville before his family moved to Corpus Christi. He was a gifted student and went on to excel at CC King High School where he was recognized in "Who's Who of American High School Students." He attended college at Texas A&M University where he had a distinguished career as a member of the Corps of Cadets. He was the Commanding Officer of the 2nd Battalion, and a member of the elite Ross Volunteers. Elliot graduated with a BS in Building Construction in 1989. He was commissioned as a 2nd Lt. in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers upon graduation. He earned his Jump Wings at Airborne School, and went on to serve with honor and distinction in Desert Storm. A military veteran from Desert Shield and Storm and service in Germany, Elliot was a leader Soldiers and Commanders admired and respected. He led from the front in every mission. When confronted with being left to secure 350 POW's only with his pistol, he found a way to keep them contained and "happy" with MRE's. When left to destroy 100's of pieces of Iraqi military equipment, he kept his Soldiers motivated and entertained by having "create your own explosive" competitions. He found a way to make Soldiers keep going when things got tough, always with a knack for making everyone laugh in the worst of circumstances. Elliot loved the military and treated his Soldiers

as family, many times overwhelming Alison with frequent "military family" house guests. He earned numerous medals including the Saudi Arabian Medal for the Liberation of Kuwait, the Southwest Asia Service Medal, the Army Achievement Medal, the Army Commendation Medal for Meritorious Service and, his highest honor, the Bronze Star. After returning from Desert Storm, Elliot married his college sweetheart Alison Paige Neely and moved to his new station in Germany.

He and Alison enjoyed travelling throughout Europe before returning to live in San Antonio. After leaving the service of his country, Elliot enjoyed a successful career at San Antonio Steel Company and at MJ Boyle General Contractors. The birth of his daughter Neely was the highlight of his life and she will always be daddy's little girl - he was absolutely her hero. He was a member of many organizations including the Texas A&M Association of Former Students where he was an Endowed Member, the San Antonio A&M Club, the Association of General Contractors, Castle Hills First Baptist Church, and the First Baptist School Board where he served as a Trustee. He was also a member of Oak Hills Country Club where he enjoyed playing golf. Elliot leaves behind numerous family members, colleagues and friends who loved him and are devastated by this loss. He leaves a treasured living legacy as Elliot is survived by his wife Alison Neely Brown; his daughter Neely Kristian Brown; mother Huberta "Huie" Brown of Corpus Christi; father and his wife JSam and Judy Brown of Bergheim; brothers Crawford Brown and wife Jodi, Robert Brown and wife Sara and Jack Brown all of Corpus Christi; mother and father-in-law L. "Chaz" and Tricia Neely, brothers-in-law L. C. "Trey" Neely and Bradford Neely and wife Noelle of New Braunfels; nieces and nephew Travis Brown, Jessica Brown, Katy Brown, Lexi Neely, Taylor Neely and Lorelei Neely; and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

Services

The family will receive friends from 5:00 – 9:00 PM Thursday, September 18, 2008 at Mission Park Funeral Chapels North. Church services will be held

10:00 AM Friday, September 19, 2008 at Castle Hills First Baptist Church.
Private family interment will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers
contributions may be made to the Texas A & M Foundation.

Tribute Wall

RO

“ Alison

I served with Tom as a fellow platoon leader in Alpha Company, 9th Engineers. We also attended the Office Basic Course together in Fort Leonard Wood.

I found Tom's obituary online while tracking down the officers of Alpha Company prior to

Richard Okulski - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Alison,

It's been a privilege to watch your relationship with Elliot grow from its early years into strong marriage with a beautiful daughter. He has wonderful legacy in you and Neely.

*Melanie Rembert Sorrell
TAMU Class of '90*

Melanie Rembert Sorrell - October 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ *May God comfort you at this time of loss and let you know that He is the God of all comfort. We love you and your family and we are keeping you all in prayer at this time of loss. If there is anything we can do please let us know.*

Love, David & Daisy Gr

David G. Grogan, Sr. - October 16, 2008 at 12:00 AM

GE

“ My thoughts and prayers are with your family. I just found out today from Gary C. Remember God would NEVER hand us anything we can't handle.

Gene Espinoza - October 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LE

“ I went to school with Thomas all through Junior High and High School. In Junior High we were in the Athena program. It was a small group, which allowed for us to know each other very well. I have since lost touch with many fellow students.
Recently Thom

Leslie Eugenio - October 06, 2008 at 12:00 AM

K'

“ I was so shocked when a colleague sent me notice of Tom's passing and asked if I knew him.

He was a first class guy at A&M, where we shared membership in the Corps of Cadets. I only knew him as one of the best.

He was way too young to leave this wo

Kevin Keosoff, L-2 Roughrider '89 - October 06, 2008 at 12:00 AM

NB

“ I would like to thank all of you for all your prayers for me and my mom. I have enjoyed reading all your writings. I'm glad to say we are doing better. Jesus has really touched my life this year. I could say so many wonderful stories about my Dad. I lost a

Neely Kristian Brown - October 06, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ Allison,

Michael and I would like to send our deepest sympathy on your loss. We continue to keep you in our thoughts and prayers...

*Mike and Rita Farmer
Chocolate share Group...*

Michael and Rita Farmer - September 28, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ One week has past since we all said good by to Elliot. I am still unable to put into words what E ment to me and how he effected my life. He was a very special friend and he is already missed dearly. I am not looking forward to our first poker night witho

John Richter - September 26, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Allison,

Thank you for sharing your husband's story with me. I can see why you are so proud of him and I can see why you are so strong. My prayers are with you and your family.

Sincerely

Shirley Schmidt - September 25, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LA

“ Elliot was a gentleman, husband, father and soldier with a keen wit and intellect who obviously opposed any such pretense. We attended several events with our wives; Chamber Gala, Comedy Club and Distinguished Alumni Gala, went to a Spurs playoff game and

Larry & Shelly Anthis - September 25, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ Alison, I was saddened to read of your husband's death. My thoughts are with you. My husband was an Aggie and I know your parents. I have been a widow since I was 47 and if you ever want/need to talk please don't hesitate to call me.

Julie Kallison - September 23, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ We were so sorry to hear the news and will keep your family in our thoughts and prayers.

Jack and Laura Poynor - September 23, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ Allison and Neely,
There are only a very few people in this world I truly respect. Elliot had mine almost immediately when I first met him at SASCO. The little I did know and what he shared with me in the time he served as my manager only confirmed my r

Charles and Edith Berlanga - September 23, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JE

“ *Thomas Elliot Brown
A man, a husband, a father.
A son, a brother, an uncle.
A friend, a gentleman, a leader.*

You blessed so many lives, enriched so many spirits, and added so much to our world.

Thank you for your humor, your integrity, your honor

Jody Erickson - September 23, 2008 at 12:00 AM

PF

“ *Allison & Neely*

Elliot is a true friend, a poker buddy and companion in life and will live on through all the great memories we have of him. Elliot loved you both very much and he always showed it. Elliot's spirit lives in all that knew him and he will

Patrick Fetzner & Kathy Fetzner - September 23, 2008 at 12:00 AM

GC

“ *I was deeply shocked and saddened upon hearing of Thomas's death. My thoughts and prayers go out to his family on their loss.*

Gary Chapman - September 22, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ *My prayers and thoughts are with all of the family as they go thru these days.
May God bless you all at this time of sorrow.*

MR & MRS JOHN PACE - September 21, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ In 1982, the ninth graders at Baker Junior High School in Corpus Christi published "Footprints in the Sand", a collection of poetry and other reflections. Thomas Brown was the editor-in-chief. This weekend, I dug it out of my closet and was inspired as

Kathleen Sladek Childs - September 21, 2008 at 12:00 AM

VS

“ Allison and Neely,
I am so sorry to hear of the loss of Thomas. We attended CH's school and church when we lived in SA. There was never a time when Tom was not smiling. You could see the joy Neely brought to him ; what a proud Father and rightfully so .

Veronica Lindsey Steck - September 20, 2008 at 12:00 AM

HB

“ Our baby "Tommy" was much beloved by everyone. It has so helped my grief to see the outpourings of love from his friends.He had a wonderful wife and daughter, perfect in-laws and a supportive church family.

Huie Brown - September 20, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ I'm deeply saddened and sorry for your loss. The family is in my thoughts and prayers, most especially Allison and Neely.

Christi Cannon-Westbrook - September 20, 2008 at 12:00 AM

NH

“ *It was with great and profound sadness that I read of Thomas' passing as he was a classmate of my son, Joseph, when I was a teacher at Windsor Park. I remember him as tall, extremely intelligent, and a perfect gentleman even in sixth grade. He always help*

Norma G. Huerta - September 20, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ *Ali*

What exciting times we all had in Germany. My favorite stories to tell still come from those days in the 9th Engineersâ€”Tom was great to soldier with, but most of all was a friend.

Our prayers and thoughts always...

Lou and Paula Giammatteo - September 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ *Alison and family,*

My heart aches of the news. Tom was my brother in arms during Desert Storm. We were fellow Platoon Leaders and there was no doubt who was the best Platoon Leader in our Company. Tom impressed all of us as he served with a passion.

Joe Armstrong - September 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TK

“ We wish to extend our deepest condolences to the Brown family. Elliot's kindness and sense of humor will be missed by all that knew him.

~Troy and Houston Koll

Troy and Houston Koll - September 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

HS

“ Alison,
We are so very sorry to hear about Elliott. Our hearts and prayers go out to you and Neely. From experience, take one day at a time and keep God close. We will continue to pray for the strength you need to help you and Neely through this very dif

Harold and Liz Shipman - September 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

BD

“ I was shocked when I got the word about T. Elliot Brown. You have my heart felt sorrow. I worked with him for a short time at CCC Group. His notes and work helped me every day in my duties there. I two was ex-Airborne Army. I wish you and your family we

Brown, Ed & Doris - September 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ Alison and Neely,
I am so very sorry for your loss. My deepest sympathy is felt for you both and your entire family. You will all be in my thoughts and prayers during this very difficult time and in the many days ahead. I'm only a phone call away

Lori Granados - September 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

E'

“ Alison and Neeley - I'm so sorry for your loss. I am also very sorry that I was unable to attend the service this morning; I just learned of Tom's passing late this morning.

I never saw Tom without smiling and laughing. He was an absolutely wonderful

Ed Allred '90 - September 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

PL

“ J Sam, Judy and family, I am so sorry to hear of you great loss and send my prayers to you all.

Patty Lawyer - September 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ Alison, Neely, Patricia & Chaz,
"When you walk through the waters, I will be with you, and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned. Isaiah 43:2 niv
Bill joins me expressing our sorr

Alexis McClain - September 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ I have missed my sapper buddy for a long time, always only a phone call away, a phone call I wish I had made too many times. Tom kept us going through the desert, always a leader and friend, always the first to come up with a practical joke I have to fin

Bobby and Suzi Stone - September 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ Alison, Neely, Trish & Chaz:

We just learned of Elliot's passing and are in shock. Please know that we send our prayers and love. We ask God "why" at times like this but know that HE is still with you.

Love,

Mike, Leslyn, Ashley, & Abbey

Mike & Leslyn Riggs - September 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ Alison and Neely,

We are so sorry for your loss.

In the hours and days to come you both will need your inner strength

to take this loss one day at a time; knowing GOD is there beside you as well as your family and great friends to help you through thi

Joe and Carolyn Keyon - September 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ Elliot's death brought much sorrow

and sadness to me. Most of our association was at Oak Hills Golf course. Those were happy moments.

It would be my pleasure to assist you in Neely's entering Keystone.

Pat & Bob Hollingsworth - September 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MO

“ I am very sorry to hear of Thomas' passing. We were in school together from elementary through high school, and shared a good time now and again during those years. In sixth grade we all looked up to him, as he was already six feet tall at the time, and e

Michael O'Reilly - September 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ Alison,
Our hearts are breaking for you. We want you to know that we have you, Neely, and all of you'll in our thoughts and prayers. We surely had some great times that we will never forget.

Love,
Darrin and Berni Davis -81

Daren and Berni Davis - September 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

GS

“ I am deeply saddened by the loss of Tom. Above the computer I am now using, I keep a photograph from Desert Storm of the A Company, 9th Engineer officers. Tom, standing on the right in the photo, was a great leader. I was proud to serve with him and pr

Grant Steffan - September 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ Alison,
May the Peace of Christ be with you and your family. I enjoyed working with both you and Elliot during my time at PS&Co.

God Bless,
Marc Hadler

Marc Hadler - September 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

NM

“ *Chaz and Allison, you have my deepest sympathy. Paulette and I pray for you and your family to have our Lord be close to you at this hard time.*

Nelson & Paulette Martin - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ *Alison,*

I was so saddened to learn about Thomas. I went to King with Thomas and although I didn't know him well, we had many of the same friends. He was sweet to me when we did talk.

I believe you and I lived in Hobby Hall at the same time. I r

Carol Martin Gross - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ *Alison,*

We are deeply sorry for the loss of Elliot. Know that we are here to help you with anything. We love you and are always thinking of you.

*Love
Duke and Maura*

Maura and Duke - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

BK

“ Alison,

We are so sorry to hear about Elliot. You have our deepest sympathy.

*With Love,
Brad, Rhonda, Reagan and Nathan*

Brad and Rhonda Koenig - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

BD

“ Huie, Crawford & Jody, Robert & Sara, Jack, and members of the Neely family:

Our hearts are with you and we grieve for this precious nephew.

Bob and Carolyn Daniel - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Dearest Alison and Neely,

My heart goes out to you and your family. I will continue to pray for you all. God looks out for us and he will get you through these difficult times. Just know you are not alone.

*With deepest sympathy your friend,
Suzette*

Suzette Strong - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I attended Richard King HS with Thomas and was happy to call him my friend. My prayers go with you and your family as you deal with these difficult times.

Randall Coward - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ Alison, Neely, Chaz & Patricia,

I'm deeply sorry for your loss of Elliot, I'm keeping you all in my prayers. Love you all lots, and know if there's anything I can do just call.

Kim Hill - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MJ

“ We are sorry for your loss, you are in our prayers.

Michael Traugott Jr - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ My family's prayers are with you Alison & Neely. May God hug you close and give you supernatural strength to carry forward in the face of such a devastating loss. May you be lifted up by our prayers and the prayers of all the others who you mean so much t

Corey Wood Livingston - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ Alison, Chaz & Tricia, the Neely's and the Brown families, we extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy along with our prayers to help you get thru the days ahead.

John & Paula Anthis - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Tom was definitely a blessing to so many of us whom he took under his wing along the way. I'll be forever grateful of his friendship and support as we grew up in Corpus Christi and attended A&M. I'll miss him.

Alison and Neeley - I'm so sorry for you

Jaime Beck - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

G'

“ Dear Alison, I am at a loss for words. So I borrowed some...

*â€œWill we be friends forever?
â€ Piglet asked â€œEven longerâ€ Pooh answered.*

Love and Prayers to you and your family.

-Glenn

Glenn A. Juenke '90 - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

PN

“ Ali,
You & Neely were the light in E's eyes. Driving to work this morning, I was thinking about all the fun times we've had together and all the silly things and just laughing about what a "ham" E could be! You know we pretty much married the same ma

Paige Newman - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ Alison:

I never met you, but I had the honor and privilege of meeting Elliot at various Aggie sporting events. My heart grieves for you. He was truly the light among all of us. His humor and his spirit were unlike any other individual I've ever know

Damon Robertson - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ Alison, Neely, Chaz and Trish, I was heartbroken to hear of Elliot's untimely passing. Please know that Greg's and my thoughts are with you. I will always remember Elliot as the fun loving devoted father, husband, son, soldier and Aggie whom I admired a g

Chastity and Greg - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ I came to know Elliott when I started working for Sasco about 7 years ago. It was fun working with him. We called him E at the office, thats what Ali called him so his name just stayed with me. He was always so nice and easy to talk to and made us laugh.

Donald, Norma and Morgan Gorley - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Thomas--

Yes, I know, the name has changed-- but you were my idol in junior high and high school as Thomas. We has fun, didn't we? Going to see Judas Priest in Laredo when we were in ninth grade. Hanging in Pharoah Valley. Trying to avoid the

Joseph Huerta - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ Dear J Sam Brown, Judy and Family,

I am so sorry to hear about Thomas. My prayers are with you and your family. Treasure those memories, they will be forever in your hearts. Gods Blessings, Donna.

Donna Arellano - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

PK

“ Dear Alison and Neely,

No words can describe how truly sorry I am for your loss. What amazing things He accomplished in his life! You have so much to be proud of.

Please know that I will be praying for your peace and healing in the coming months. Y

Paula Kulchisky - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DN

“ Elliot,

Tim Donaghy must have been judging last year's Rubisol-Chili Cookoff, cause there's no way our chili could have lost to one with bay leaves in it.

This year, I'm going to make the necessary recipe upgrades and take the trophy for my bro!

David Newman - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DN

“ *Alison and Family,*

As I'm sure you know, I really enjoyed working with Elliot at CCC Group. He was the elder statesman and I always went to him for help and advice. After we left, I missed that camaraderie at work. Years later when he was managing A

David Newman - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ *Dear Alison, Cazh and Tricia:*

*My deepest sympathy and love to you and your family. Know that your love and devotion and faith will help to keep you strong.
Patsy McNamee*

Patsy McNamee - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

FA

“ *Thomas Elliot-You will always have a special place in my heart. I love you very much! I have so many wonderful memories of us growing up as kids.*

Alison and Neeley, Words cannot express how sorry I am. My thoughts are with you.

Huie, Crawford, Jody, Travis

Freddi Armenta - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ *Out heart thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

Love

Carol & Ken

Carol Wright & Ken Haag - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

WK

“ Alison, Neely, Trisha, and Chaz,

How sad we are at your news. Know that our hearts and prayers are with you. You are surrounded by our circle of love,

Winnie & Lee Kittrell - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ *We share in your grief!! All of our love goes to you, Alison, and all of the family.*

Kenneth and Brooke Schweers - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RL

“ *Judy and JSam and Neely: We are so sorry for your loss and pain. Thomas will live in your hearts forever in memories and watching Neely grow. Regrettably we are not available for the services, but our prayers are with you all. Love,*

Rich and Ree Laughlin - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ *To the entire Family...
I never got a chance to meet Elliot, but I heard so much about him. I knew everyone else in the Brown Family, and have been friends with Robert and Sara for years, and was saddened by the news of Robert losing one of his beloved b*

Liz Gonzalez - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ Allison, Neely, Chaz & Tricia,

Comforting words from friends go a long way in this time of your loss, but none can comfort you as the Holy Spirit and the Word of God. We share this verse with you, and will praying for you all.

In Christ alone,

Ma

Marc & Cindy Fortson - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

1W

“ Tom was a great friend, leader, and mentor. Debbie and I send our hearts felt sympathies to Ali and family.
Sapper!

1SG David M. Weedall - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

HS

“ Tom,
I was shocked and saddened to hear of your passing. My condolences go to your family. They will be in my prayers for them to find solace. I will also pray that you have found peace and God's grace. Rest in peace, Tom.

your classmate and

Hui-Jen Shiau - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ Alison and Neely, We are all so saddened for your loss. Camilla has been praying for you Neely, she is very sad for you. Alison, you have been in my thoughts and prayers since I heard of Elliotts passing. We as a family, will continue to pray for you bot

Suzanne & Yancy Blalock & Family - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KY

“ Alison,
My deepest sympathies to your family. Although I haven't seen Tom in a while, I knew him well from our Corps days together. He was a great person and will be missed by all who got to meet him.

Kelly Young
F-1/L-1 â€˜89

Kelly Young - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SD

“ Gig 'em and God Bless. What a wonderful life has been lost. May God comfort his family as only God can.

Shervonne Davis - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

GP

“ Elliot, you will always be loved by us.
We will keep you in our hearts and prayers forever.

George and Diana Palafox - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ Alison,
Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family through this very difficult time. We will always be here for your family just as your family has always been there for mine.

Chuck and Denise Schweers Morris & Family - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

GP

“ Allison and Neely,
Our prayers and love go out to you at this time of loss.
We know in our hearts that he truly loved the two of you.

George and Diana Palafox - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Alison,

I am so saddened by the loss of Elliot. He was such a wonderful and loving husband, father, and friend. You and Neely are being held closely in my heart and prayers.

In Sympathy and Love,

Jenny

Jenny Marshall - September 17, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JE

“ *Allison and Neely,*

We know you are sad, but we also know you had many happy days as a family. We will keep your family in our prayers.

*Your neighbors,
Jean Muller and Elizabeth Iconomopulos*

jean and elizabeth - September 17, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MG

“ *There are no words that can bring you comfort at a time like this. I humbly pray that God will supply just the simplest measure of comfort & peace. May you find Him present even in these most troubling hours.*

Marcheta Godwin - September 17, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CN

“ *I am keeping you in my prayers.*

Cullen Neely - September 17, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ *Alison & Neely,*

You are both precious & special to our family. We love you & offer our prayers for comfort and peace.

Keep your eyes on Jesus, I know His loving arms are wrapped around you.

*Love,
Cari & Patrick Richardson
& Madison Breakie*

Cari Richardson - September 17, 2008 at 12:00 AM