



WABASH COLLEGE

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Class of 1944

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Dear Friends,

We received the following information from Maxine Dreyer, wife of Gerry '44, your class agent.

Please note the address:

Gerry Dreyer

Room 57

Williamsburg Healthcare

1609 Lafayette Road

Crawfordsville, IN 47933

From Maxine:

"You may not be aware that Gerry was critically injured in a fall in our garage on the night of Dec. 6. He has a severe bruise to the back of his brain, but the blood from this bruise is beginning to dissolve.

He was in ICU at St. Vincent's Hosp. 11 days, being moved to another floor for the remainder of 5 wks. He is now at Williamsburg Health Care facility (here in C-ville) and his room is 57.

Some days he is very alert and can speak in sentences; other days he sleeps nearly all of the time, and has a very difficult time speaking anything. He is undergoing therapy twice/day and is responding very slowly. Of course, from being in bed for nearly 6 wks., he is extremely stiff in all of his joints and finds it very painful to do therapy.

He has had neither water nor food for this long period...he has a feeding tube in his abdomen. Perhaps, if we are lucky, he will be given ice chips this week. He is swallowing well, and hopefully, he will be given REAL food very soon.

Please share this info with everyone you can. He can have visitors, but that visitor must tell him who they are and how they are acquainted. Four of our five children have been here, and he was able to recognize them. The fifth will be coming in next week, and we are hoping that he will be able to recognize Dick immediately.

I am surviving, but with frequent trips to the nursing home, I find that I am really exhausted at the end of the day. Outside of keeping the bills paid and visiting him, I am not very active with anything else.

Please ask everyone to keep both Gerry and me in your prayers. The Dr. told me his recovery could be a very long period. So I have no real goal to shoot for.

My sincere thoughts for you and all of your staff.

Bess Maxine Dreyer, wife of Gerry Dreyer '44