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Gentlemen:

I wanted to get some very sad news to you regarding two members of the Class of '72. I learned within the past few weeks that two of our classmates, **Steve Judah** and **Steve Handy** passed away recently, both battling illness courageously, both having distinguished lives and careers, and both leaving their loving families (and all of us) way too early in life.

Steve Judah passed away in late June in his Columbus, Ohio area home, surrounded by his family, after fighting his illness with surgery and chemo. Steve was an Independent while at Wabash, and majored in Psychology. After Wabash, he earned his M.A. and PHD in Psychology, and was later ordained as a minister, serving as pastor in the United Methodist Church in Columbus. He also served as a family therapist, emerging as a leader in the field of building relationships for young couples and businesses. He served as Exec. Director of the Columbus Marriage Coalition, encouraging healthy marriages through education and advocacy. In 2005, Steve and his wife of 37 years, Sharon, became charter members of the Marriage CoMission, supporting marriage. In 2006, Steve authored a book, "Staying Together When an Affair Pulls You Apart".

Steve is survived by his wife, Sharon, his daughters and sons-in-law Heather and Daniel Wood, Hillary and Graham Rouse, Holly Judah, plus many other family members. Donations in honor of Steve may be made to the Healthy Marriage Collaboration of Central Ohio at 1085 Pauline Avenue, Columbus, OH 43224, or to the Upper Arlington Lutheran Church.

All of us who knew Steve while at Wabash will remember his positive attitude, infectious smile, and caring personality. I invite any of you to share your thoughts to me about Steve, which I'll be honored to share with you in my next letter.

Steve Handy passed away earlier this month in the Pittsburgh area, after his battle with cancer. Steve was a Lambda Chi at Wabash, majoring in Poly Sci. He earned his MBA in Transportation from IU and went on to become SRVP of Operations, Planning and Engineering for Federal Express. A 36-year veteran of the transportation industry, Steve was instrumental in the founding of RPS (forerunner of FEDEX Ground), and played a key role in creating and maintaining the industry's most automated hub network. He has been with FEDEX since its inception in 1984.

Steve is survived by his wife Gail, daughter Laura, sons Matthew and Michael, and many family members. The Family suggests that memorial donations be made to the American Brain Tumor Association, 2720 River Road, Des Plaines, IL 60018, or to Family Hospice and Palliative Care, 50 Moffett Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15243.

Steve was such a fun, energetic guy. He attended our 35th Reunion just last May, 2007, and contributed to our Chapel Sing and festivities throughout the weekend. I invite any of you to share your thoughts about Steve, which I'll be honored to share in my next letter.

I'm sure all of you, like me, are shocked and saddened by the loss of our two classmates and brothers, guys who went to school with us, who are our same age, and who, as I understand, were both overcome with illness fairly quickly.

Again, my thoughts and prayers are with **Steve** and **Steve**, their dear families and friends, and all of us from the Class of '72.

Take care all.....
Rick