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Honoring Erich Brunges

By Senator Rosemary Brown

It was an honor to join Chris and Loretta Pezak at their home in Fell Township to recognize and celebrate their son-in-law, Erich Brunges, and his commitment to serving others. It was also a pleasure to celebrate with his parents, his wife Emily, Devin Brunges and Robin Roman, and stepfather Raymond Roman.

Erich has proudly served in the U.S. Army Reserves for 16 years and continues that commitment to service as a paramedic with the City of Allentown. He also serves as an Adjunct Instructor with EMI, helping educate and prepare others in emergency management.

I'm grateful for Erich's dedication to our country and communities and the service he continues to provide to others. Congratulations, Erich, and thank you for your service!



Sen. Rosemary Brown poses with veteran Erich Brunges and his wife Emily for photo honoring his service to the United States.

Remembering Those from Our Area Who Were Lost on 9/11

By Senator Rosemary Brown

As we remember 9/11, we remember the 2,977 lives lost, the thousands of families who lost loved ones, and the unborn children of victims who are now 25 years old. We remember the first responders who are still with us and those who have passed away from illnesses caused by toxic exposures. We remember those who witnessed and personally experienced the horror, and those who continue to fight the War on Terror each day. Let us live every day with a grateful spirit of appreciation. It is the best we can do to honor those we lost.

Monroe County

Harry Blanding (38) — Blakeslee

Harry was a claims analyst for AON Corporation.

George Lopez (40) — Stroudsburg

George worked as an equity trader for Fiduciary Trust International on the 97th floor of the South Tower.

Walter Arthur McNeil (63) — Middle Smithfield

Walter was a Port Authority police officer of New York and New Jersey who responded to the World Trade Center.

Mary Melendez (44) — Hamilton Township

Mary worked as a legal secretary for Fiduciary Trust International in the South Tower.

Joseph Walkden Flounders (46) — Middle Smithfield

Joseph was a money market broker for Euro Brokers on the 84th floor of 2 World Trade Center. He woke up every morning at 3:30 a.m. in the Poconos so he could be at his desk by 8:30 a.m.



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