

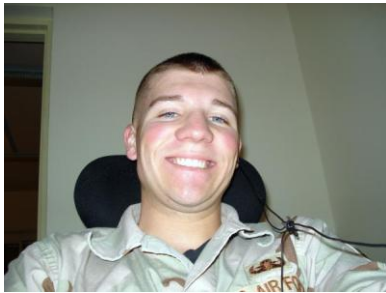
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October 23, 2009---Newsletter update

I have so much to write about and so little memory that I will probably forget most of it.



First and foremost: My Grandson, Myles Corbin has been deployed to Afghanistan. He is an EOD Technician and will be defusing the bombs set to destroy our troops. Darn it Myles, why you!

His lovely wife Holly resides in their home in Albuquerque. Their baby daughter is due Feb 14, 2010. You will be hearing from both Myles and Holly in the future.

About Kentuck, held in Tuscaloosa, Alabama earlier this month---Shane Campbell is writing about it in a forthcoming letter. I understand it was rainy and muddy as Kentuck can be sometimes.

I spoke with Bernice Sims before Kentuck. She was looking forward to attending. She, at 83 years old, is doing well.



I like for you to meet some artists. Here is Doctor Mark Bernhardt. His website is <http://www.marks-ark.com/gallery.html>. His art has been getting better and better! Please check out his website



And are you aware that Doctor Lisa Cain's has a website? I am having trouble copying it. Please go to links on www.gravescountry.com and you will find it. I spoke with Dr Lisa. She is still painting, Check her website out for some great art. www.lisacain.org

Oh! I have to toot my own horn. In all my life I have never had such an article written about me as the one written by Reporter Lauren Nelson! It appeared in the Lodi News Sentinel on Oct 10, 2009. It is "A Man and his Folk Art". Please click on www.gravescountry.com and then click on the tab in the upper right hand corner. It will take a few seconds to appear.

Lauren, how can I ever thank you enough?

Ha ha, Nancy—bet you thought I had forgotten!



And it is Halloween and Arleney and Cindy's favorite time!

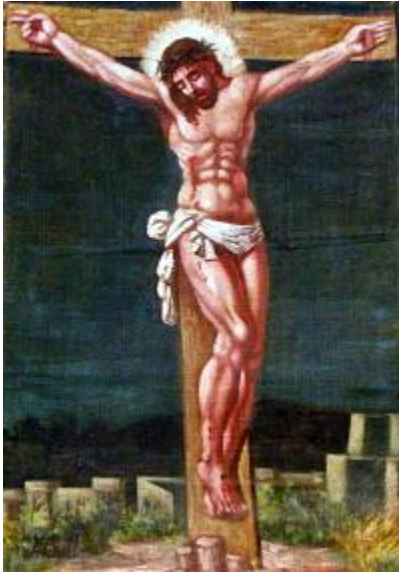
Oh Yes, Cindy (Our daughter on Arleney's side) made the dresses! What a seamstress! What an artist!

Can't forget our beautiful little great-granddaughter, Anais visiting us with her mother, Crystal from Spain. She has fallen for the little bronze fisherman boy in our patio!



We have been buying what I refer to as Inspirational Art. Please click on our website www.gravescountry.com to view it, I am not Catholic but I love the art. I could look at it over and over. It brings me peace. Any comments will be

appreciated. Right now I am not offering it for sale but I am thinking of doing so. Again, any comments?



This is a painting on burlap that was given to me many years ago. An old man in his 80s or 90s would come into my gallery and just sit. I was located in the bad part of Lodi at that time. I was only open two days a month. One day he came in, carrying this painting. It is about 20" x 30". It's wonderful. He told me that it would protect the gallery and he left it. He said he would come back if he wanted it. I never saw the old gentleman again.

I have promised it to my adopted in my heart Grandson, Albert upon my death. It will never be sold.

I want to ask for your thoughts and prayers for our troops overseas. Please God, Watch over them and keep your arms ever around them. Let them feel our love clear over there!

Happy Halloween to you.

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