

FROM PAT BROWN

We know that Buster would be honored to be here tonight to receive this award. Buster was known for his toughness on the playing field. He loved to compete and he excelled in all athletic challenges. Despite his many athletic achievements, Buster would never “toot his own horn.” He was a true team player and he would speak fondly of the great guys that he played with and against over the years. Many remained his friends for life.

Buster was also devoted to his family. We were married on October 4, 1974. We have two great kids, Chris and Ann Marie. We now have two grandchildren, Natalie and Brayden. Buster fought a battle with non-Hodgkin’s lymphoma that he could not win. He passed away on October 11, 2003. Throughout his battle, he never quit, kept a positive attitude and remained his mild-mannered self. Buster remained mentally and physically tough until the end.