



## Rev. Driskell

May 5, 1940 - September 2, 2004

GEORGE TIMOTHY DRISKELL (known as TIM) Tim Driskell was born May 5, 1940, in Paxton, Illinois, the oldest son of George William Lesley Driskell and Lena Rosalee (Meredith) Driskell. Raised in Illinois and Indiana, he married Alice Marie Gould on August 15, 1964 at Pontiac, Illinois. A graduated of Pontiac, Illinois, high school (1958); Vennard College, University Park, Iowa, (1964); and Nazarene Theological Seminary, Kansas City, Missouri (1975), Tim was Ordained as an Elder, by the International Church of the Nazarene in August 1969. He ministered with the denomination as pastor and evangelist for 40 years serving churches in Mystic, Ottumwa, Mason City, Keokuk, Iowa; Buhl, Idaho; Mattoon and Madison, Wisconsin; and Spring Lake Park, Minnesota. He currently served the congregation of Hewitt, Minnesota. Tim was a former member of Rotary International, served on numerous committees for the Church of the Nazarene including the Board of Ministerial Studies for the Iowa, Wisconsin, and Minnesota districts, and he served as secretary of that Board for the Iowa district. He was also a member of the District Advisory Board for Wisconsin and served as secretary in that capacity for two years. He was voted Pastor of the Year of the Wisconsin District in 1999; elected Wisconsin District delegate to the International Church of the Nazarene General Assembly for year 2001. Pastor Driskell deeply loved the peoples of each church he served. Both his first pastoral assignment (Mystic, Iowa) and his last pastoral assignment (Hewitt, Minnesota) were selected as "Church of the Year" by their respective state districts. He was a very proud

father to his daughter, Teresa Marie Cleveland of Otsego, MN and his son, Micah Wayne Driskell of Lino Lakes, MN, both of whom survive him, along with his wife, Alice. Tim is also survived by three grandsons, Chase Winslow Cleveland, Westin Scott Cleveland, Trei Milton Driskell, and one granddaughter, Savanna Faye Driskell; his son-in-law Scott Cleveland and daughter-in-law Renee Clapp Driskell; a brother David Driskell (Marsha) of Plano, Iowa; brothers- and sisters-in-law, Josephine Goold Harris (Brandon, SD); Rev. Jim and Linda (Goold) Hulett, (Mecosta, MI); Dr. William and Thelma Goold (Wilmore KY); and Dr. Stephen and Pamela Goold (Maple Grove MN); 12 nieces and nephews; 17 great- nieces and nephews; and 4 great- great-nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents George and Lena Driskell; his parents-in law, Rev. Donald and Cordelia Goold; and one brother-in-law Rev. William Russell Harris. For a personal note of interest, Tim was a painter on the side. He loved the feel of a paint brush in his hands and never lost the sense of pride felt in a job well done, a lesson taught to him at the age of 12, by his father. He painted every parsonage he was privileged to live in. Memorials may be given in Tim's honor to the Lakewood Systems Hospital cancer unit in Staples, MN, and/or the Hewitt Community Church of the Nazarene "Timothy Youth Ministry" fund.

# Tribute Wall

DB

“ One Sunday, on my way back from preaching at Park Rapids, I stopped by Hewitt to see the Nazarene Church. As I was driving by, Rev. Driskell emerged from the church and was walking toward the parsonage. I pulled a u-turn and he saw me and came over to the car to talk. He then re-opened the church and took me on a tour, describing the recent growth and his optimism for the upcoming Vacation Bible School. He immediately impressed me as a man with a pastor's heart who loved his people. This was my first and last meeting with him.

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**Dan Blake** - September 02, 2004 at 12:00 AM

LD

“ My name is Laurie Deuschle, but you would know me better as Laurie Blake. Rev. Driskell was our pastor in Mason City, IA. We started attending this church around Dec. 1977. We moved to Iowa from California, and the church made us feel at home right away. We loved the sermons, and how we grew spiritually under Rev. Driskell's leadership. He was willing to allow God to use him in any way He desired. When I got married (June 1, 1985), I asked him to help out with the ceremony, and I wanted Alice to play to organ or piano. They were both willing to do this!! It made the day extra special. I would love to hear from Teresa and/or Alice to get reacquainted again. My prayers will be with you. I pray that you will feel God's comforting arms around you during this diffucult time. May God's Blessings be upon you.  
In His name,  
Laurie Deuschle (Blake)

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**Laurie Deuschle** - September 02, 2004 at 12:00 AM



“ Alice and Family, sure wish I could be there to give you a hug but that's not possible so I'm sending you a hug and my prayers and thoughts are with you and your family. I lost my Dad in June and it was really hard so I'm thinking about you at this hard time. Send me your Address I want to stay in touch. May God be with you and the family. Love you Dianna.

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September 02, 2004 at 12:00 AM



“ To Alice and family; our hearts were saddened at the loss of your faithful companion and father. We are thankful that God enabled us to become acquainted with you all. Tim was a good friend and pastor as well as a fellow servant of the Lord. We know that he truly loved God and people. That he was interested in others finding the Lord and developing a personal relationship with Him. We are praying that God will wrap His loving arms around each of you and that His presence will be continually close. Be thankful for the many memories that your husband and father left for you.

Sam ad Alberta

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Sam & Alberta Starnes5205 - September 02, 2004 at 12:00 AM



“ Pastor Tim and Alice pastored us at Madison and were a great source of encouragement for us. The way they both lived their lives before us have given us a model of how to live as Jesus would want us to live. Tim's friendship and mentoring of me as a young pastor was greatly appreciated. His unquenchable faith and Alice's zeal to serve Jesus spoke volumes of their love of God and each other. We can't wait until we meet again in heaven. Thank you! God Bless!

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Rev. Jeff and Cindy Loomis, Kyle and Tyler - September 02, 2004 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ We were so very fortunate to have had the chance to meet Tim 3 years ago when we became new residents, and next door neighbors to Micah and Renae. Having only known Tim that short time it was easy to see what a pleasant, kind and generous man he was. He leaves behind him his legacy in Micah. Also a very generous, kind, considerate and high spirited person. Your memories of your father Tim you will treasure and his spirit will be with you forever Micah. Our thoughts are with you all during this challenging time. Love, Carolyn & James Romach & Family

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**Carolyn & James Romach & Family** - September 02, 2004 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ Teresa and Family:

*What a wonderful example He was to all of us! I'll never forget his gentle loving spirit, and the warm smile he always gave. I can honestly say it was a privledge to know him and all of you.*

*Heaven must be a little brighter now!  
May we all live by his example...Love God, Serve others.*

*Teresa,  
Jesus is Your Daddy too!!*

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**David and De Sills** - September 02, 2004 at 12:00 AM

FS

“ Dear Alice and family,  
We were so sorry to hear of your loss, I was glad that our daughter-in-law was at the church when you called. Perhaps she told you that Rev. Foster has resigned and tomorrow will be his last Sunday with us. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Dave had heard that Tim had melanoma but we were shocked to hear of his death. He was just too young. You will be in our prayers. Love  
Fran

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**Fran and Dave Sprunger** - September 02, 2004 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ Dear Alice, We are so sorry for your loss. Tim actually married us in Keokuk in June of 1992. He will always hold a special place in our hearts for that, and for the fact that he was simply one of the nicest men we know. It is just God-like for a man like Tim to help us start our family of SIX!!! (Four Kids!) Please take care and know that you are in our thoughts and prayers. Tim and Kelly Bradley, Katelynn, 10, Kennedy, 8, Konnor, 5, and Kaden, 21 mos.

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**Tim and Kelly Bradley** - September 02, 2004 at 12:00 AM

GA

“ Dear Alice and Family,  
We are in shock by the news. I hope you realize the impact you and Tim had on us as a newly married couple and then new parents. We'll never forget your many words of love and wisdom. Please know that we are thinking of you and praying for you all.

Love,  
Greg, Tammy  
Weston & Alex

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**Greg & Tammy Panther Weston and Alex** - September 02, 2004 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ Dear Alice, I was so sorry to hear of Pastor Tim's death. I always felt just a little bit cheated when God called you to another church after such a short time with us. However, you were here long enough for us to know you and love you both.

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**Dean & Sharon Bradley** - September 02, 2004 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ What wonderful memories we have of Tim!! We shall miss him, but look forward to seeing him again in Heaven. He was a dear friend to me as a teenager and young women, and a great friend to my parents, Danny and Rosalie Moore. We love you, Alice and pray for God's sustaining grace to you. Give our best to your children.

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**danette (moore) buchanan** - September 02, 2004 at 12:00 AM

TP

“ IT was a priviledge to have known Tim during the 2 years he was our pastor and personal friend in Hewitt MN. The times I have spoken with him one on one and the wisdom I gained ,are times I will treasure always. I have learned more about understanding and loving people in the last 2 years under his leadership, than in the previous 17 as a born again christian! I consider it a very special honor to have been allowed to be a part of his last few days on this side of heaven. It is unusual for a family to allow others to be a part of those very intimate moments. This is a time that has changed my life forever, and I will always be indebted for that. Thanks very much to you Alice, Teresa and Micah for sharing your husband and father with us in this way. Yours in Christ always. Terry Peterson

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**Terry Peterson** - September 02, 2004 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Our hearts are saddened to learn of Paastor Tim's illness and death. He was a wonderful , spirit filled man of God and we consider it a privilege of have known Tim & Alice. Heaven is rejoicing in his homecoming and we are weeping with you Alice and family. May the Lord comfort you during your time of great loss. Jim & Nancy Maier

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**Jim & Nancy Maier** - September 02, 2004 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ He was a true friend. We saw him in the hard times and in the good. His trust in the Lord never failed!

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**Danny Moore** - September 02, 2004 at 12:00 AM

RT

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you in this sorrowful time. Tim was a wonderful pastor and servant of our Lord Jesus Christ. He was a model of pastoral care and an inspiration to me as I prepared for ministry. We will always remember his example, his humble spirit, and the fun/laughter we shared. We will miss him greatly.

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**Rev. Jim & Marje Taulbee** - September 02, 2004 at 12:00 AM

OB

“ May peace be with you in your time of need.

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**Odis & Jean Brown** - September 02, 2004 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ I regret that I do not know Rev. Tim Driskell except what Carolyn Wade has told me of him. I know that he and his wife were and are very special to Carolyn and Carolyn has been and is a very special friend to me, so if the Driskell's were and are special to Carolyn than I know that they are very special people and truly blessed. I lost my wife early this year, so I share in your loss as well. I will pray for all of you. May the Lord bless and comfort you at this time and always.

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**Joseph Belanger** - September 02, 2004 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ My thoughts and prayers are with Alice and her family during this time of loss. I never actually met Tim but know he was a wonderful person and a very caring minister. He was a man of God and is now safe in the harbor at home with God in heaven. God bless.

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**Luanna L. Bingman** - September 02, 2004 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ Dear Teresa and Family,  
We mourn with you the lost of your dearly loved Father, brother, pastor and friend. We feel, along with you, the deep pain of a time of temporary separation from your precious loved one. We pray that as you grieve his death you will also celebrate his life. May God help you through during this difficult time.

*With love and tenderness,*

*Dave, DeAnn, Brendan, Nathan, McKenzie and Maggie Reed*

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**David and DeAnn Reed** - September 02, 2004 at 12:00 AM

SU

“ I am so very sorry to hear about Tim's passing! Please let me know if there is anything I can do. Your family is in my prayers!

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Sue - September 02, 2004 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ Our deepest sympathy is extended to Alice and the family in this time of great loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

*I shall remember Tim as a humble servant of the Lord with a deep love for his people that he served. He will be missed.*

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Rev. David & Donna Monroe - September 02, 2004 at 12:00 AM

RK

“ Our hearts are saddened hearing the loss of your precious husband. I truly learned in my ministry from watching and listening to him how to do things for the Lord in such a wonderful way. He will surely be missed by many freinds and many that he has lead to the Lord in his ministry. Our prayers are with you and your family at this time.

*Wish we could come, but our church this week will be celebrating "50" years of being in Brodhead so we have many plans to follow in the next few days.*

*Lord be with you all*

*Love in Christ*

*Pastor Dave & Donna Krohn*

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Rev. Dave & Donna Krohn - September 02, 2004 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ Deal Alice~

*I am so sorry to hear about Pastor Tim. It is a huge loss I know not just for you and your family but for mine as well. We were so close, and I loved him like a best friend and my favorite pastor. He taught me so much about life and I gained alot of experience from him about the ministry. He was a huge inspiration to me and I am deeply saddened by his passing. My mom just told me about his passing and I wanted to make sure I wrote you a letter to tell you that all the times you both have always been there for me I will extend that to you if you want. I will be an ear to listen and a heart to open up to. Please accept my deepest sympathy for you and your family and know that in the end God does work for the good of those who love him. He helped me work through all my pain with my father and he didn't even get to meet him. I am glad today to know that He now knows my father and my grandpa and grandma as well. Heaven is an even better place now that he is apart of it. I will pray for you and your family that God will work a huge miracle in your life, and show you that God loves you all the more even through his passing. And may this one piece of comfort help you the most....when my father passed I was reminded of the verse that there is nowhere we can go where God is not with us. I love you both and I wish I could be there.*

*Your friend always~*

*Lance Wade*

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Rev. & Mrs. Wes Harper - September 02, 2004 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ Our deepest sympathies with your family at this difficult time. We lost a wonderful pastor and a dear friend. They say some people come into our lives and stay, some come just for a short time but leave but footprints our our hearts forever. This is so with Pastor Tim. He was only in Hewitt for 2 short years, but the effects will be felt forever! I thank you so much for sharing your wonderful, father and husband with us as you have, even right up until the end. God Bless you all, but most of all GOD BLESS TIM!!

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**Larry & Becky Shultz** - September 02, 2004 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ It grieves me to see a family I love lose thier dear father and husband. I don't understand why our country and churches don't get more time with leaders like Tim Driskel. I guess God expects all who are remaining to pick of his torch and carry on his legacy. If death could be beautiful, it was beautiful in the life and passing of Tim. God granted him eleven years more and time to evangelize to his last days. His memorial services were deep and transforming. You can't find finer men. Tim embodied Christ's love and gentleness. The gift of little pain in his last days was remarkable. The incredible tender and personal moments in his small hospital room were precious. Even as his church rallied in his last year was a testimony to who he was. We will never forget Tim Driskel. From the time I was a young man all the way till I served with him in Minnesota, Tim Driskel as been a termendous example to me and my ministry. It as been a privedege to serve and be friends with his chidhren. I'm grateful for God's grace and growth in thier lives. May Tim's steadfastness, fatih, and love continue to comfort Alice, Teresa, and Micah. With many thanks to know the Driskels, Jim Comfort

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**Jim Comfort** - September 02, 2004 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ Alice, Just wanted to let you know that you and Tim have a special place in my heart through Carolyn. She loves you both and has given me a special appreciation for you and Tim. I am still in MN at least until the end of the year so if you are in this area I would love to get together for dinner. I can be reached at work (612-316-2518). Alice, my prayers are with you and your family. And I do believe with all my heart that your church families loved Tim very much. Praise God he is with his heavenly family and preparing the way for you and his earthly family, who in heavenly time will join him soon. God bless you and your ministry here.  
Donna Holmes

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**Donna Holmes** - September 02, 2004 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ I knew Tim a long time ago back in the 1970's, while I was a classmate to his daughter, Teresa. Although my memories of him have faded somewhat, I do remember that he was a kind, family man that had a heart for God and the church he was pastoring in Mason City.

May God comfort his family at this time.

(There are people in East Tennessee praying for his family.)

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**Teresa (Tott) Morin** - September 02, 2004 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ Yes, Tim was a special friend to us. He was a "pastor" to "pastor friend, Ron" when Ron was going through a difficult time. He has been an example of Christian love and friendship to many. We will be thinking of Alice and Teresa and Micah and families as they adjust to the deep loss of husband and father and grandfather in their lives.

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**Ron and Carol McGilvra** - September 02, 2004 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ Dad,

*You were the best dad a son could ever hope for. All my life when ever asked who my hero was it was always you. I promise to remember all the wisdom, patience, and strength that you ever gave me. I will continue to walk with Jesus as you did and am inspired to grow everyday as I think about you. I have nothing but great memories of being your son and will look forward to seeing you again in heaven. I dont know how things work up there dad, but keep me and my family in your prayers, and continue to guide me as I whole heartedly take and accepted the challenge of being the kind of husband, father, and man that you were. Thank you dad for choosing to be the man you were! I promise to always be kind and patient with Mom and I am forever sorry for the times when I have not been. You could not have selected a finer woman to be my mother. And on top of that she's pretty good looking too!! You did a great job of being a Father, Pastor, and friend at all times good or bad. Your character, in always, was second to none. And I know that it was soley because you gave your life to Jesus Christ. And I commit my life also. I understand dad that it is a daily choice and commitment. That is why you were always on your knees in prayer and in the Scriptures. It's not easy but obtainable and worth it all. I Have NO Doubt that your rewards are great in Heaven! Thank you, Thank you, Thank you, Dad for your legacy in Christ Jesus. My Prayer is this: In Deep Honesty and truth I pray that I will always keep, by choice of my will to accept the will of God in my life. In all things, and in all ways. To be patient, and just in my dealings with people, and to show the love of Jesus to all Men, Women, and Children as you did Dad!!*

*Your son is proud of you.*

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MICAH DRISKELL - September 02, 2004 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ It was a wonderful service and beautifully written obituary; a magnificent tribute to a magnificent guy. It was so "Tim" ... he and I shared a love for country/gospel music and deep conversation. I will never forget him and how in the midst of serious conversation he could interject a bit of humor and a gorgeous smile. I was touched to tears to see Russ' name included. You're a special sister. I love you and am hear to walk the journey with you.

Love always,

Jo

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**Jo Harris** - September 02, 2004 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ As others said at the service, I will never have a better pastor than I did in Mason City, and I have never known a greater man. The impact your family had on mine growing up is invaluable. A million thanks to you Teresa, Micah, and Alice, for being a parsonage family. Your family's obedience continues to change lives through the generations.

Dena & Scott

Jacob, Ellie, Wyatt, Lexie

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**Dena Rice** - September 02, 2004 at 12:00 AM

AD

“ Tim, you have been in heaven now for 14 days ... we're doing pretty good down here. Are you having a good time up there with your folks, mom, dad, Russ and then I think of so many other people across this nation that you are probably hugging and sharing memories with. You would be very proud of your daughter and son. They are showing every god-given character traits you prayed God would bless them with. They are being very, very good to me. But I'm really, really lonesome. I can't help but wish you were still here. Been thinking about your last five days on earth. There wasn't much time to share together. I hope somehow you were able--in all the confusion and through all the visitors--to know how much I really loved you ... and still do! It was a wonderful, wonderful plan God had when he let me be a part of your life. Thank you. ALL MY LOVE .... Alice

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**ALICE DRISKELL** - September 02, 2004 at 12:00 AM