



**YNCS(SS) Burton John Blum**  
Born: April 22, 1947 in Erie PA  
Eternal Patrol: February 16, 1989 onboard  
USS Henry L. Stimson SSBN 655 at sea  
Buried: Wintergreen Gorge Cemetery, Erie PA

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Besides his father, he is survived by his wife, Nancy Lenhard Blum, two daughters, Michelle of Rochester N.Y., serving with the U.S. Army, and Kimberly of Rochester N.Y.; two sons, Ian and Zachary, both of Charleston, S.C.; one sister Mrs. Duane (Sheila) Linhart of Erie; one brother, Dennis J. Blum of Lawrence Park; and many aunts, nieces, nephews and cousins.

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**YNCS(SS) Burt Blum &  
EMCM(SS) Dave Couser, Bull Nuke  
Goat Locker New Year's Eve**

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Crew's Mess Halfway Night**

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