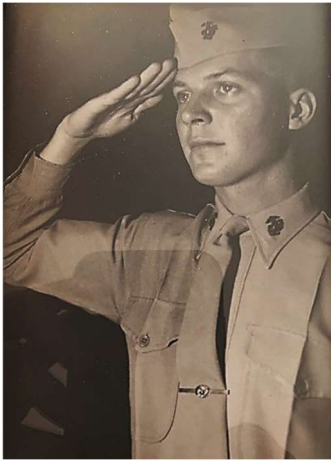


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Charles Joseph “Joe” Broder was born 30 Apr 1939 in St. Louis. His parents were Francis Broder (1917-1977) and Geneva Huitt Broder (1913-1987). Joe had one sister Helen Marie and one brother: Michael. Joe graduated from McBride High School.

Joe followed in his older brothers’ footsteps and joined the Marines after graduating high school in 1958. He was stationed in 1st Recruit Training battalion at Twenty-Nine Palms San Diego, where he was a clerk. The 1st Recruit Training Battalion is used to train new enlisted personnel. It is composed of four Training companies: Alpha, Bravo, Charlie, and Delta.

The recruit training battalion is responsible for ensuring that each company is following the procedures set forth by the Recruit Training Regiment. Each company is responsible to follow the standards established by the Commandant of the Marine Corps to train, teach, mentor, and above all lead recruits through a demanding standard-based training system. Joe attained the rank of Corporal E2 and was rated a Sharpshooter. He earned a Good Conduct Medal.

After his time in the Marines, Joe went to work for General Motors in the parts warehouse. Joe married Norma Jean Devine on 12-SEP 1964. Joe and Norma had two sons. Joe Jr and Daniel. The family later lived in O’Fallon MO. At General Motors, Joe worked his way up to being a senior programmer. He retired from General Motors after 30 plus years.

Joe was an active member of the Dardenne Prairie Knights of Columbus and Marine Corp League for many years. Joe also loved spending time at the VFW Post 5327 Meat Shoot on Sundays. Joe and Norma (1936-2015) were married for over 50 years. Charles Joseph Broder died on 7-JUL 2021. He is buried in Our Lady Catholic Cemetery in Lake St. Louis Missouri.



*Charles Broder 2nd Row, 1st Marine on Right*