

# Current Secretary of the Navy Condolence Letter



**THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY**  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20350-1000

November 18, 2008

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