

## **KNOW WHO YOUR FRIENDS ARE**

Sometimes, I am asked why I joined the Knights of Columbus. To increase my faith? To give back to my church and my community? To expand my list of friends?

Actually, I joined because my best friend at the time asked me to. He will be the State Deputy in California next year. A good friend will ask his buddies to join the Knights because he knows it will be good for them. How about you? Have you asked your good friends to join?

Recently, I was put down with some major physical problems that required hospitalization and surgery. The first thing that happened was that my Brother Knights put me on the prayer list. I have witnessed and now have personal experience that prayers from my Brother Knights are very powerful. I was constantly reminded that I was being prayed for. My Brother Knights called me and visited me in the hospital. (Of course, those visits will be reported on our annual Fraternal Survey!). It was both gratifying and comforting to know that I had such a great support system. You just can't lose with that kind of caring and love.

So, why would you deny your good friends the opportunity to be a part of an organization that goes out of its way to support and be there for its members? I know I can count on my Brothers in the Knights of Columbus, just as they can count on me. Sink or swim, we are in this together!

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