

OMAHA BENSON HIGH SCHOOL

Class of '66

55-YEAR REUNION



August 13 - 14, 2021

Memory Book

Meet and Greet

Friday, August 13, 2021

**Legends Aksarben
6920 Pacific St., Omaha NE 68106**



















































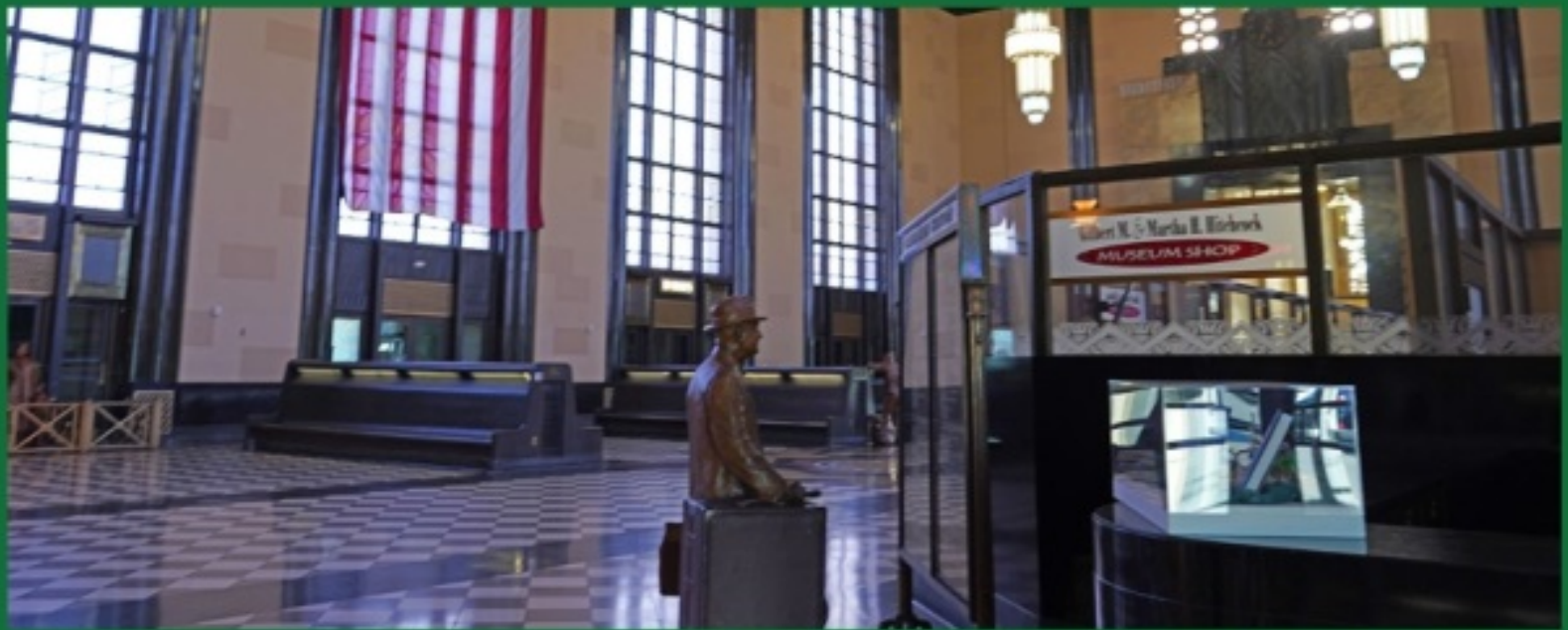


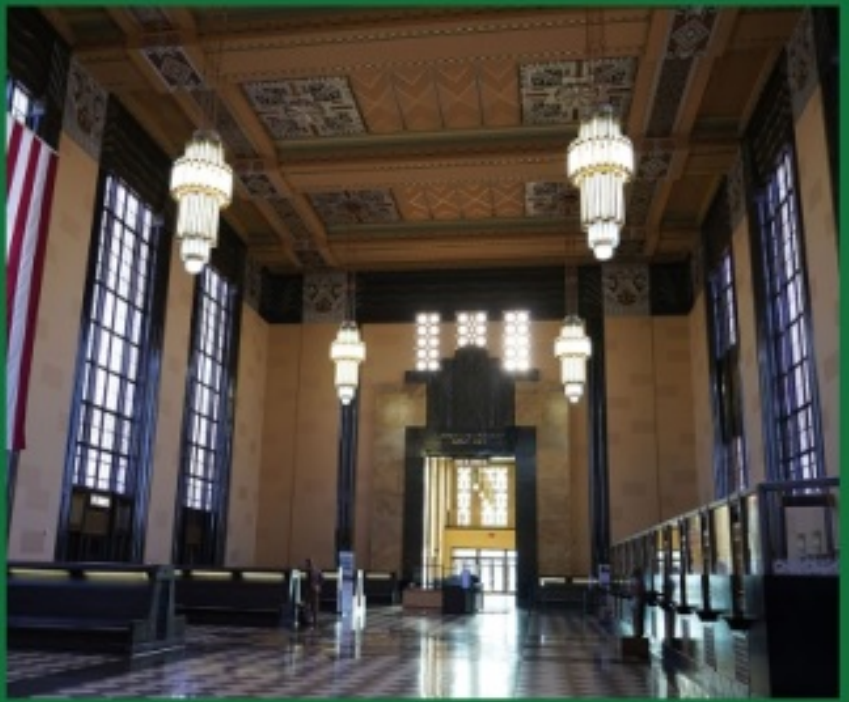
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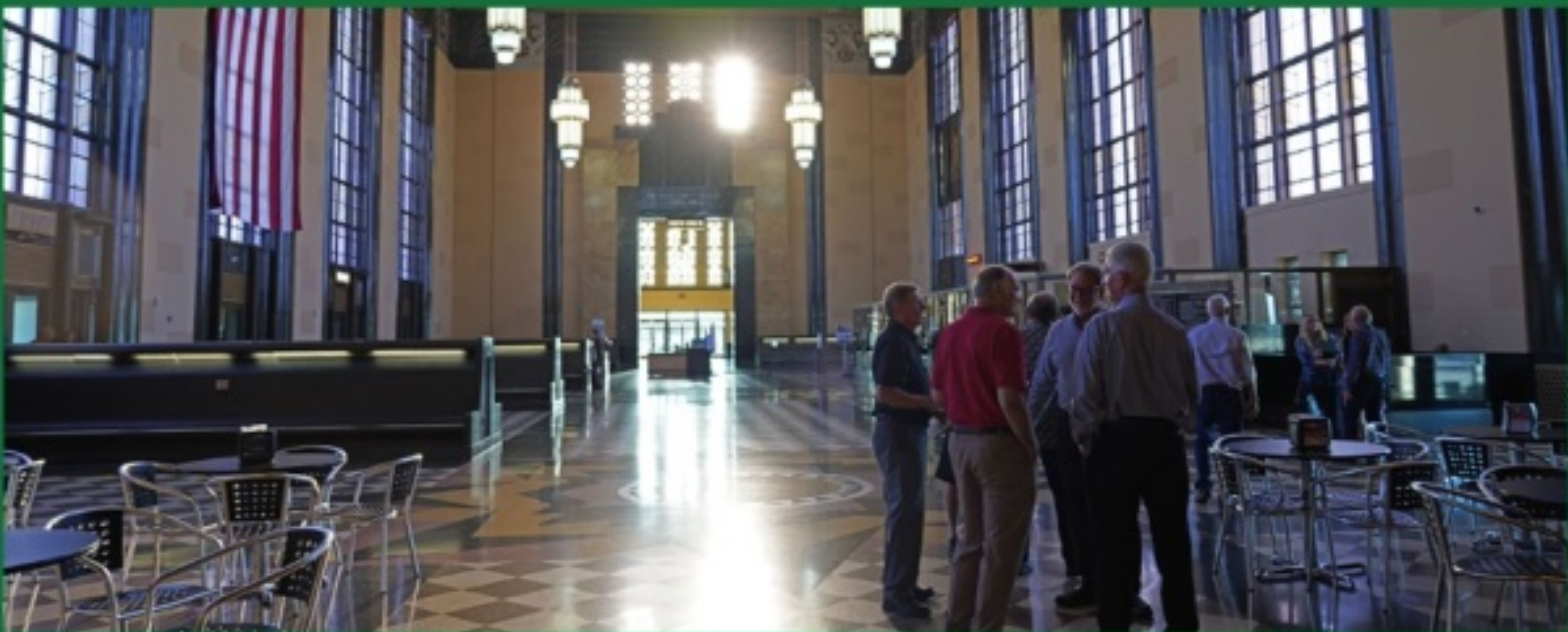
Saturday, August 14, 2021

**The Durham Museum
801 S. 10th St., Omaha, NE 68108**





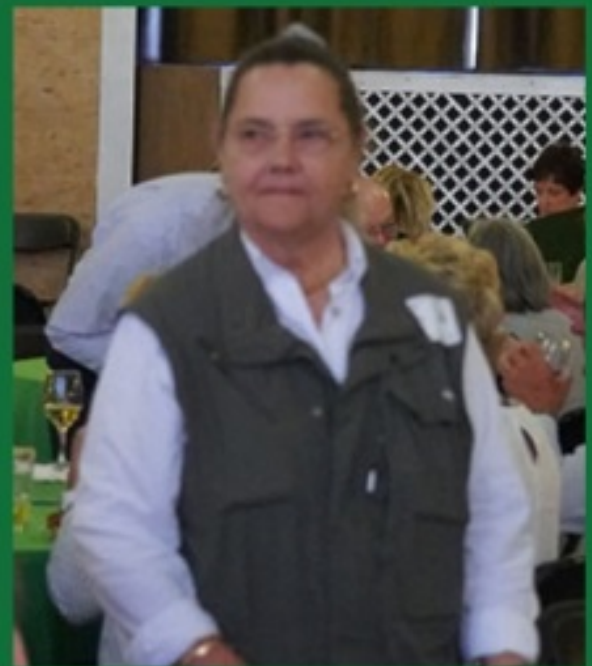






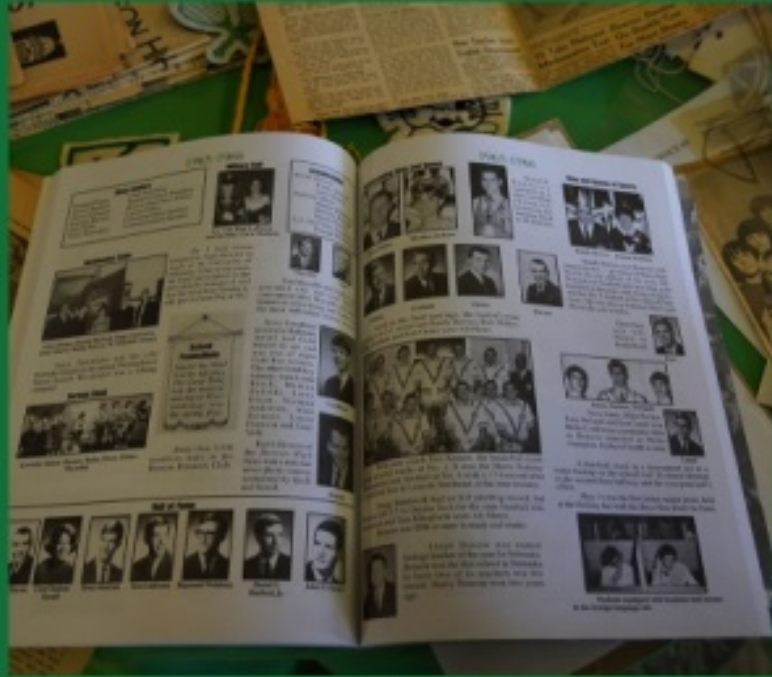






















































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Fontenelle



Harrison



Mount View



Rose Hill



Walnut Hill



St. Bernard's



Columbian





Benson HS
Reunion Committee



The Drawing!















Car Show

Saturday, August 14, 2021

**Keystone Plaza
5600 N. 90th St., Omaha NE 68134**







































James Abraham

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Occupation: Htg & A/C

Family: I have been married for 52 years, have 5 adult children and 9 grandchildren

Interests: I have been a volunteer at Douglas County Jail (ministry) for 27 years.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Right around Thanksgiving 2020 I began to get sick, in fact I don't remember anything from Thanksgiving on. By December 2 I was so sick and incoherent my family took me to the emergency room at the hospital. There I was diagnosed with covid. I was so bad that they transferred me to an obscure hospital in Omaha where they send people to die. My kidneys had failed, I had pneumonia, I was incoherent and had to be put on oxygen. I don't remember any of that. My daughter came to visit and said I looked worse than when I came there. After a week of arguing she got me transferred. I began to improve.

Margaret Adams Smith

Class of '66



Occupation: Day care and food service

Family: Kenneth and I married Sept. 1967. 4 children and 25 grandchildren & greatgrands

Interests: Churh work, family, sewing, cooking, knitting, crocheting, quilting

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Kenneth and I were connected to the army for 20 years and 6 months. living in Germany for 6 years. Our 3 sons all joined the Army. 2 of them retired after more then 20 years. As a military wife and mother I have had to put so many things in the hands of God. I tell everyone that my first career was that of a military wife and my second was that of a military Mom. We were able to live in Germany for 2 tours. This gave us opportunity to do a bit of travel and gave our daughter opportunity to become a travel agent. We lost a son to cancer. No more pain, no more tears and in the arms of Jesus.

Bruce Ackerson

Class of '66



Occupation: Professor of Physics

Family: Spouse who graduated Benson in '67, two married sons and two grandchildren.

Interests: Mountain biking section roads, deep government, physics.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: UNL 66-70; married 69; University of Colorado Boulder 70-76; Chris born 1974; National Bureau of Standards 76-77; Oklahoma State University 1977-??; John born 81; Lived with family for 6 month periods on sabbaticals in Utrecht 84, Malvern 85, Melbourne 95, Hong Kong 09 and Rome 72 while in grad school.

Yoshinori (Yosh) Akiyama

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Occupation: Mitsubishi Corporation. Now retired.

Family: Mrs. Yoshiko Akiyama/two sons, the elder single and the younger with his family

Interests: Languages, traveling, reading and listening to popular songs and music

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Born in Shizuoka Prefecture and mostly raised in Kawasaki, Japan. I entered The Tokyo University of Foreign Studies (a national or state university) to major in Spanish Department where I had learned Spanish language and related studies with a desire to be engaged in business (Mitsubishi Corp. later). One of my many activities in my early Mitsubishi years was to import such citrus fruits as grapefruits, lemons and oranges from the U.S.A for resale in Japan. Earned a few valued English language credentials including "Special A" category of "The United Nations Associations Test of English.

Nancy Alexander Ketteler

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired

Family: 4 children & 3 grandchildren. My girls live in Denver, and boys in Omaha.

Interests: Love painting, walking & visiting my family in Denver and family time in Omaha.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Worked at Mutual of Omaha for two years before joining United Airlines as a flight attendant in 1968. During my 7 years at United, I enjoyed traveling to "fun in the sun" places. Recently retired from Valmont Industries after 23 years working as an executive secretary. I was married for 28 years, and have 4 wonderful children and 3 beautiful grandchildren. Currently single and live in Omaha, but have lived in Chicago, Los Angeles area and Kansas City.

Steven (Steve) Allen

Class of '66



Occupation: Commercial Real Estate Appraisal

Family: Married to Karen with three sons: Todd, Jeff, and Brian with four grandchildren.

Interests: Fishing and travel

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Have lived in a number of places including Scottsdale, Arizona and Colorado Springs, Colorado. Returned to Lincoln in 1994 and have been able to travel most of the US and Europe. Much of our time is spent with our boat in northern Minnesota or Canada. Also like the southern US including Florida and Arizona in winter months and have taken a number of cruises. Have owned my own consulting company for more than 25 years and am winding down the workload.

Aleta Anderson Munhall

Class of '66 im2of11@gmail.com



Occupation: Clinical/consultant pharmacist

Family: Married Dan Munhall (BHS 66), 3 daughters Julie, Marlies, Megan; 8 grandkids

Interests: Family time, music, reading, dancing, traveling, genealogy

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: BS Biology, MS Biomedical chem/medical sci and Doctor of Pharmacy- all via Univ of Nebraska system. We have spent our yrs involved in kids/gkids activities- music, gymnastics, ball sports. Taught Sunday school, teen and women's groups; served as PTO VP/president Millard schools; sang with Omaha Christmas and Easter Contatas. Retired from Methodist Hospital after nearly 29 yrs.

Eric Anderson

Class of '66



Lois Anderson Mimms

Class of '66 ljmimms@gmail.com



Occupation: Retired Administrative Assistant

Family: One son, Andy. I am the widow of Tom Mimms (BHS '66).

Interests: Gardening, quilting, reading, and most any craft activity.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I enjoyed raising our son, seeing him obtain the rank of Eagle Scout and listening to his bands play at various locations. Other fun memories I have are of working on a Colorado ranch; working on antique cars we had; and traveling.

Edward (Ed) Babcock

Class of '66 webhskrs@yahoo.com



Occupation: Retired-working p/t at MCSO sheriff's

Family: Brady. . . 10 yrs old on dec 23rd. . . Lite of my life

Interests: Fishing, hunting, rattlesnake hunting, p/t sherrif's dep certified arms instruct

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Owned several companies-trucking, been to all domestic states except N. H. , lived in Indy, Omaha, New Orleans, Ft. Myers, Fl, Birmingham, Al., Las Vegas, Phoenix, Az. Experiences-seeing the countryside, several interesting law enforcement experiences, went on a date with Jamie Lee Curtis, when living in LV. Watching my son being born and grow.

Margaret (Peggy) Austin Bright

Class of '66 peggybright@hotmail.com



Occupation: retired journalist and writer

Family: Married 41 years to John (an Aussie), have two wonderful daughters, no grandkids

Interests: Travel, cooking, dogs, walking, cycling, reading, blogging, photography, gym

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Degrees in math and journalism from Kearney State. Master in journalism from University of Cairo, Egypt, through a Rotary fellowship. Married an Australian diplomat and came to Australia in 1982. Have also lived in Egypt, Syria, Jordan, Lebanon, Burma, France and New Zealand. Have written plain English text for 50+ Australian government departments. Since 2000, have hosted 31 exchange students from 11 countries. Extensive travel—to all seven continents and 100+ countries. Have two blogs—covering travel and cooking. Find them at <http://leggypeggy.com> <http://cookingonpage32.wordpress>

James Banker

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Occupation: Retired

Family: Wife Dodi3 children. Charity, Ryan, and Jamie. 6 grandchildren

Interests: Cars,motorcycles,oil painting

William (Bill) Barnett

Class of '66 07turbo@comcast.net



Occupation: Retired 2006. Business owner

Family: Wife: Linda. Two sons, Christopher and Scott

Interests: Traveling, UTV racing, cars.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Moved to Dallas in 1967. Married in 1970 and moved to Reno in 1977. Moved to San Diego in 1979 and both my sons were born there. Moved back to Texas in 1983 and lived there until 1996 when we moved to Denver where we reside now. Spent my career in Financial Services until I retired in 2006. Opened two businesses that my sons work in since I retired. Spend my time traveling in our motorhome with my wife and two small dogs. Still do off-road racing once a year at King of the Hammers in California.

Barbara Benson Mahoney

Class of '66 pandb66@iowatelecom.net



Occupation: Retired Office Manager/Methodist Hosp.

Family: Husband-Pat, 52 yrs. 2 daughters. 1 grandson, 3 granddaughters, 2 great grands.

Interests: Gardening, cooking, fishing, traveling to visit friends and extended family.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Worked for Methodist Hospital 36 years. After living in Omaha all our lives, 21 years ago we moved to an acreage in the Loess Hills of Iowa with our nearest neighbor 1/4 mile away. Love small town life and enjoy the daily outdoor wonders that are not experienced when living in the big city. My most memorable experience was spending 4 days aboard the USS Coral Sea (aircraft carrier) for a "dependents cruise" and this was part of our honeymoon!! Our grandchildren have kept us very involved in their lives and we have the privilege of taking care of our 2 great grands part time - a true blessing!

Barbara Beckett Collier

Class of '66



Occupation: Special Project Manager

Family: I have two sons, Wayne & Dale, and 3 grandchildren.

Interests: I enjoy knitting, crocheting, reading, gardening and volunteering.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I left Nebraska nearly 35 years ago and moved to a small town outside Tulsa. I have worked for a non profit organization providing supports to adults & children with intellectual & developmental disabilities for the last 26 years, and continue to do special projects for them. I volunteer for my local volunteer fire department and for Tulsa Master Gardeners. I am currently widowed.

Judith (Judy) Benson Hansen

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Occupation: Retired teacher

Family: Husband - Terry; Son - Andy; daughter - Jessica; 9 grandchildren

Interests: playing bridge, reading, traveling, my grandchildren!

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I retired after teaching 30+ years in District 66. My husband, Terry (Pete) and I celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary this summer. I enjoy living in Omaha. You always run into someone you know! We have traveled to Alaska, Australia and New Zealand and we took a river cruise down the Danube River in Europe. Then came COVID!! Our 9 grandchildren (ages 1 year to 20 years) live nearby, so we enjoy spending time with them.

Melody Berhow Halldorson

Class of '66



Darlene Bernhardt McAllister

Class of '66 dmca244@sunsetbluffcreations.com



Occupation: Retired

Family: Husband: Mike, Son: Kevin, Daughter: Carie

Interests: I am a quilter and enjoy making quilts for friends and family.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I worked the last 18 years for the State of Texas, Fort Worth Audit Office. I am retired now, and other than quilting, I enjoy traveling to visit my 3 grandchildren in Fayetteville, Arkansas. Their ages are 7, 8 and 9. We enjoy trail riding and camping with family in Mena, Arkansas. I love dogs, and have two Australian Shepherds. I enjoy living in the country and have 5 acres of land on which we built our house. My husband is still working as a paid volunteer firefighter a couple days a week. We've been married 48 years so far!

Kathleen Bertolini

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired Nurse Midwife/RN

Family: I have two adult children from my first marriage, Ben, 47 and Leah 49.

Interests: Walking especially on the beach; quilting/sewing; crafts; reading; traveling.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Married to the love of my life, my second husband, Bill. Profession of Nursing/Midwifery has given me the most personal, sweet, sacred time with people; at birth, close to death (hospice), and struggling through mental health/addiction issues. Time off from Nursing spent on adventures with my sweetie, like building and running a B&B. Love being a grandparent! We have 16 year old identical twin boys who lived with us much of their first four years. We have four, all grown up grandkids and an adorable, funny, bright six year old girl & a Great Granddaughter. We live in Ocean Shores, WA.

Cynthia (Cindy) Bishop Harmon

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Occupation: Part time at Bishop Business

Family: Husband: Gary Children: Joel (Amy), Ryan (Jenee), Shane (Jessica)9 grand

Interests: Family, friends, travel, reading, leading Bible studies, mentoring

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Graduated from Wheaton College with a teaching degree, enjoyed being a stay at home mom for our three sons, and benefited from the experiences and friendships gained as we lived in a variety of places both large and small. Time with grandchildren - always memorable!!

Barry Bliss

Class of '66



Linda Block Timanus

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Occupation: Retired

Family: Two boys (Mike, Tony) and one girl (Megan). Husband Barry. Siblings; Steve & Debra

Interests: Bible Study Groups, Grandchildren (7), Flower and Shade Gardens, Scrabble, Walks

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: 46 yrs. Married (Barry), Family Baptisms, Two Weddings (Sons), 90th Birthday (Mother), Births of Grandchildren; Samantha (14), Dakota (12), Danielle (9), George (7), and A.J. (3) from Tony and Karen; Donovan (8) and Kellon (2) from Michael and Leanna. Tony or Anthony (4 deployments to Iraq). Tony is CEO of Avera Hospital in Gregory, So. Dakota. Megan (UNO Instructor-Graphic Design). Just engaged to Mike Stegmaier! Mike Timanus works for Valmont Industries in Minneapolis, MN. I won a Brandeis Art Award my Senior Year and got to go to the Honor's Banquet! Chorus and Football as a Bunnie were my favorites!

Larry Bock

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired

Family: Wife of 46 years, Janet; three children, ten grandchildren, one great grandchild

Interests: Grandchildren, military history, problem solving

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Graduated from the University of Nebraska in 1971. We lived more than 3 and a half years in Germany, at the request of the Army. Germany was a great place to live, with the history, countryside, and food. We lived in other locations which included the New Orleans area. New Orleans was interesting, but not a good place to live (our perspective). We did see UNL play in the Sugarbowl. I served more than 22 years in the Army in a wide variety of assignments. For 5 years I taught in junior high. I spent over 17 years as a business manager in a department at UNL. Retired in December 2015.

Pamela Boone Collins

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired

Family: I am married with 3 children and 4 grandchildren.

Interests: I like interior & graphic design. Church activities & teaching classes.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Accepting Christ as my personal savior. Marrying Tom Collins (BHS '65). The birth of children and grandchildren top my most memorable life experiences.

Kay Brown Green

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired

Family: I have 4 children, 9 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren

Interests: sewing, traveling, Big Red and New York Yankees

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I worked for 28 years at St. Wenceslaus Church. All of my family members live in Omaha and I enjoy spending time with them. Neal and I divorced in 1991 and he died on September 8, 2007

Sandra Brunken

Class of '66



Occupation: Dept of Defense Medical Logistics

Interests: Golf, Horses, Shooting Trap/Skeet

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Served 26 years in the US Army. Retired as Colonel. Bachelors Degree in Nursing - Univ of Dubuque; Masters in Nursing Administration - MUSC; Masters in Education - USC; Masters in Military Science. Deployed multiple times for conflicts.

Kristine Bryngelson Martin

Class of '66



Occupation: RN-Mom-Author-Metaphysical Teacher

Family: Married 45 yrs. Live in Reno. Tim & I have three grown sons & four grandsons

Interests: Meeting with & sharing with others what I have experienced. Travel, Gardening

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: UNO, 1yr- Immanuel School RN - Move to LA / gen. medicine, ER, Geriatrics - BS in health science U of CA - Move to Reno - Loved being a stay at home mom - Advocate for adoption lobbying my bill in legislature - Helped form CASA locally- Model for Print & TV Advertising - Volunteer in several local service organizations - 20yrs studying & teaching the Enneagram - Currently studying The Gene Keys & Feng Shui - Published 'Love Speaks' - Practice Jin Shin Jyutsu - Travel highlights: Climbing The Great Pyramid in Egypt, Great Wall in China, a Safari in Africa & a free spirit at Burning Man.

Janice Burns Zach

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired Human Resources

Family: Husband Pat sons Jamie Jason grandchildren Nelson Meghan Adrian Anthony Isabella

Interests: Fun, fun, fun!!!

Marjorie Bystrom Jones

Class of '66 granny.marj@yahoo.com



Occupation: Owner, Rookies Bar and Grill

Family: Spouse: Pat. Sons: Matt (wife: Brenda, Children: Lily, Simon, Theodore) Shawn

Interests: Travel, Needlepoint, and Reading

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Married since 1973. Retired from U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and U.S. Navy after 32 years. Have traveled by car to several States but have not seen east coast. Have seen Washington, DC. Alaskan Cruise. Hawaii. Guam. Scotland. Son Shawn and I own Rookies Bar. One grandchild at North high school. One grandchild in Ireland as missionary. Bowling--no more but still golfing. Replacement knee surgery.

Carol Campbell Hoffman

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Occupation: Retired teacher

Family: Husband Larry Hoffman, children Christy, Jenny and Jackie and 6 grand

Interests: Spending as much time with family and grandchildren as possible.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Served on Elkhorn School Board, president of Skyline and West Shores HOA. Active in Bethany Lutheran Church and Assistance League of Omaha. We travel back and forth to the Florida Keys in the winter months but are blessed to live in Omaha, close to family when not traveling.

Thomas (Tom) Cady

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Occupation: Real Estate Broker

Family: Four Children (Marc, Mike, Lisa, Joel) and 10 Grandkids and four Great-Grankids

Interests: Traveling to see grandkids. Walking and Biking. Street Fairs.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I have been a Real Estate Broker in California and Arizona for over 40 years. For the past 22 years, I have worked in the telecommunication industry as a Site Acquisition Project Manager, locating, leasing and building cell sites for all of the major carriers. It's a great business and I'm I am lucky to have found it back in 1999. I am still actively working, locating and leasing rooftop spaces for DISH Wireless' new 5G rollout in San Francisco, CA. I am still in good health and work out twice a week with my wife, Caroline. I wish all of the 1966 Benson Grads "Good Health" and "Happiness"

Judith Card Feuquay

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired Trust Administrator

Family: Happily married for 52 years, 4 great kids, 11 fantastic grandchildren

Interests: Spending time with family. Staying active in church. Been very blessed.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Life has been full and very blessed for me. Wonderful lifelong friends. Many new friends. Extended family with great times together. Blessings through a few rough times in life but stronger for them. Proud of my children, their spouses, and my grandchildren. They are all doing great things with their lives. Love their soccer and volleyball games. Enjoy their dance recitals, school programs, and especially choir concerts and Show Choir Competitions. Enjoying retirement and all the great lessons it is teaching me. Never enough time to do all I want to. God bless you all.

Carolyn Carter Erickson

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Occupation: Retired

Family: Married- 52 years to husband, Kim, two daughters and five grandkids.

Interests: Family, quilting, gardening, book clubs, travel, sports, movies and music.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: We have lived in Ft. Collins, CO, Norman, OK (46 years), and now in Olathe, KS and have a cabin on Truman Lake, MO. We bounce between these properties monthly. Kim was employed and retired from the OK Dept. of Wildlife Conservation. I attended UNO and KU, graduated from OU with a BA, then OU Law with a Paralegal degree. We have two wonderful daughters, Jennifer and Kristin, five terrific grandkids, Austin (23), Aidan (20), both in Denver, twins Emma and Zoe (21), and Logan (16) in Dallas. We travel a lot but have fun along the way. We love following the KC Royals and the Chiefs!

Patricia (Pat) Case Miller

Class of '66 pathmiller@aol.com



Occupation: Retired corporate trainer

Family: One son and one daughter, four granddaughters

Interests: Travel, photography, scrapbooking

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: After living in Omaha long enough to endure one more icy, snowy, cold winter I decided Arizona was the place for me. After all, you don't have to shovel sunshine. I worked for 15 years as a traveling corporate trainer and was able to go all over the US working with credit union staff and their credit and debit card programs. I started traveling internationally and was bitten by the bug. I've had the opportunity to travel all over Europe, some of the Caribbean and Asia. My favorite trip was going on safari to Tanzania and seeing all the fantastic animals there. But there's so much left to see!

Janet Christensen Ott

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired

Family: My son, Jeremiah, retired from the Navy after 20 years.

Interests: Irises, gardening, volunteering, Auxiliary, auctions

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Upon retirement, Richard and I were volunteers for Trump in 2016. I helped start Nebraska Patriots for Trump and served as Treasurer plus composed the FaceBook page and website. I am in the VFW Auxiliary in Ashland, Nebraska. I am the secretary and chaplain. I am in charge of the patriotism and legislative committees. We have a booth where we sell household items at the Omaha Mega Market. As my hobby: We attend three flea markets as vendors in Brownville, NE and Waverly, NE. We purchase our items to sell at auctions and estate sales.

John Christensen

Class of '66



Barbara Cole Rasmussen

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired

Family: Husband Tom 4 Children Tiffany, Staci, Laura and Donald

Interests: Traveling and boating

Pamela (Pam) Covert Lang

Class of '66 plang21@cox.net



Occupation: Retired elementary principal

Family: Husband:Rich Daughter: Becky(Hubby) Son: Brian
Grandchildren: Caden & Lauryn

Interests: Grandchildren, golfing, gardening, reading

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Rich and I have been married for 46 years. I was a classroom teacher and special education teacher before becoming an elementary school principal at Adams Elementary School in 1998. Four years ago I retired and have enjoyed spending time with our grandchildren and watching their sports activities.

Russell (Russ) Cornelius

Class of '66 russ@brandsavants.com



Occupation: Brand Strategy

Family: BHS 1966 grad Viola Carstensen and I married. Daughters Jacquie and Mandy.

Interests: Traveling. Boating. Spending 24/7 with Veola.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Navy took me to San Diego. Fell in love with the city. Spent most of my life there except for career moves which took me to Carmel, CA, Manhattan Beach, Hollywood Hills, then up to the mountains of Lake Arrowhead. Finally back in San Diego where I own my own marketing agency. Veola and I have gone to Hawaii at least once a year this past decade and fell in love with it. Dreamed about retiring there one day. The dream has become reality. We now live on the water on Maui. Falling in love with Veola and having Jacquie ask if I would adopt her as an adult are two most memorable life experiences.

Karen Cramer-Novak

Class of '66 novakkar@aol.com



Occupation: retired nurse

Family: Married to Daniel 1 daughter Lindsay Chicago, 1 son Kevin Fremont 3 grandgirls

Interests: Camping, boating, gardening, traveling & anything outdoors with family & friends!

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Loving the retirement life! After 30 years in Nursing at Clarkson & Immanuel it was time to enjoy life and I am! Married Daniel Novak in 1994. We have 3 children between us Lindsay PhD at University of Illinois at Chicago, Kevin journeyman plumber in Fremont, my stepdaughter Nichole in Omaha. Enjoy spending time with 3 grand girls & making memories! Love the Rocky Mountains & we try to go to Colorado every year in October for anniversary. Looking forward to next reunion & hope I can be there.

William (Bill) Dahl

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired electrical engineer

Family: Married 1969; three kids; seven grandkids;

Interests: Family, basketball, cars, and music

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Paratrooper with both the 82nd and 101st Airborne Divisions 66-69. Married 1969. Lived in Tennessee 'till 81. Moved back to Nebraska worked for NPPD and retired from OPPD in 2010. All 3 kids were national honor society. Son was All State and All American (NAIA) in basketball. Grand kids are all smart and goodlooking.

Sandra Dean Hill

Class of '66



Occupation: secretary/housewife

Family: I'm married to my husband of 38 years! We have 4 children, 3 girls & a boy.

Interests: Our 4 grandkids! Quilting, needlepoint, reading books and gardening

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Moved to Palm Springs, Ca. in 1969 to live with a girlfriend from highschool, Danni Davidson- was a cosmetologist for 5-7 years. Worked for Rogers Gardens in Newport Beach as an indoor houseplant buyer for 5 years. Moved back to Palm Springs and met my husband, a real estate appraiser. Worked in his office after the kids went to school..and have been there ever since! Have had several Great Danes as pets and LOVED them- now have a "rescue" chihuahua which is giving me grey hair! Survived colon cancer 10 years ago with the help of family and friends prayers.

Carol Davidson Coates

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Occupation: Retired from Public Service

Family: Married to Paul Coates, retired from ISU faculty. 1 son, David.

Interests: Travel and reading. I volunteer one day a week at the local library.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I enjoyed a 35 year career in public service in Iowa, mostly at the Iowa Department of Transportation. I enjoy retirement even more. I've had the good fortune to have many opportunities to travel including a month working in Ukraine, trips to South America, Africa and Asia, plus volunteer work on my husband's projects in Europe. Most memorable trip is following the ancient Silk Roads through "the Stans" of Central Asia.

Richard Deaver

Class of '66



Occupation: Accountant/controller - retired

Family: Married to Mary Kay. Son (Matt), Daughter (Tricia), five grand kids.

Interests: Playing golf, working on my 67 Chevelle, riding my motorcycle, grand kids

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: US Army 1969-1970, Graduated from UNO in 1979. Worked at The Scouler Company for thirty five years. Retired in 2014. I've ridden my motorcycle in 18 different states and Canada. I now enjoy playing golf, Husker football games and attending the grand kids sporting and 4-H events, and school activities.

Beverly Delafield McIntosh

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired

Family: Matt(Lisa) & Mark(Tara, gndsn, Preston) Happy & Troy McIntosh(6 grndkids)

Interests: RVing, motorcycling, fishing, family & friends. Enjoy life to the fullest!!!

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Being a mom was the most rewarding to me! Divorced for 7 years then meeting and marrying Mike! 2nd chance at a dream of being a flight attendant. Going through proving runs with the feds, crazy experiences, and being #1 seniority! Going to Sturgis for honeymoon all the way on back of Harley with 8 other people! My grandson, Preston!! He's into gymnastics and got to go to see the Olympic trials in St. Louis. Wants to be a Sooner! Love living in AZ by the Superstition Mountain!

Deborah (Deb) Desler Mullally

Class of '66 debmullally@msn.com



Occupation: Bookkeeper, Fremont Aviation, 34 years

Family: 3 children, 2 daughter-in-laws, 9 beautiful grandchildren and 1 on the way

Interests: family, quilting, traveling

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Married to Jack Mullally for 40 years, widowed for 11 years. Bought an acreage in 1972 and have remodeled and added on to the house multiple times..each time memorable! Raised 1 girl and 2 boys, boys married and have 4 girls and 5 boys between them with another girl grandbaby to arrive in August. I bought a 15 passenger van to travel the USA with my Girl Scouts and quilting friends. I've had a triple pass, an aortic valve replacement and have a titanium shoulder. Life is good!

Barbara Devereux Rocklin

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Occupation: Retired

Family: Married 41 years to Larry. Three married children, six grandchildren.

Interests: Family, grandchildren, day trips, travel, reading, gardening, volunteer work.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: BS from UNL. Masters from UNO. Taught Special Education for several years in Omaha. Lived in Allentown PA from 1980-1992, then moved to KS. Now we divide our time between the Kansas City area and Phoenix AZ. Really enjoyed my years at BHS, such good memories. Sorry to not be able to attend reunion, helping with new grandbaby!

Kristine (Kris) Dodrill Speckman

Class of '66



Occupation: American Title Inc/Accounting

Family: Married to Bob (class of '64) for 49 years. Two sons, 6 grandchildren

Interests: Classic cars (blame it on Bob)Involved with Cornhusker Corvette Club-44 years

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Along with enjoying our kids and grandkids, I also am still enjoying my parents at ages 91 and 92. What a kick to have my parents to look back on my days at Benson. Most memorable life experience is the day I met Bob when I started my junior year. Bob had just graduated that Spring. I met him on a street corner across from St. Bernards church. I won't go into details, but he changed my life and I will always be thankful for that fateful day!!! (In fact, Connie Keely played a big roll in how I met Bob--thanks Connie!!!) Life has been GREAT!!!

Janice Donnermeyer Bogan

Class of '66



Occupation: Managing oldest step-sons dental practice

Family: Married with 5 step children and 8 step grandchildren

Interests: Travel, gardening, hiking, reading

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I moved to Colorado in 1970 and have mostly lived in Colorado ever since. I have spent time/lived in New York/San Francisco/Scottsdale but, Colorado keeps calling me back.

Sheryl Douglas Queen-Munter

Class of '66 sherylqueen66@gmail.com



Occupation: Purchase Coordinator at First DataRetire

Family: Husband - Doug Munter - Married to Doug October 2020. I lost John in 2018 -

Interests: Yoga, reading, gardening, travel and spending time with family

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: My life is once again happy and am enjoying new family and life experiences.

Marilyn Downey O'Harrow

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired

Family: Husband, Gerry Two Children--daughter, Brenda and son, Kevin

Interests: Reading, gardening, bridge, puzzles, playing bocce, walking for exercise.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Competing in two National tournaments for Special Olympics with my son, Kevin Teachman, in Unified Bocce--one tournament in Lincoln, NE (2010) and the other in New Jersey (2014). We won several medals both years, including gold.

Donna Draney Whiteside

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired to Arizona in 2011

Family: now single; one child; 3 grandchildren

Interests: art; pickleball; jazzercise; parties (lots of parties)

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: At school I was Donna Draney Married (and divorced) Richard Hassel class of 1967 (he died in 2014) Married Bryan Whiteside (who died in 2015) I have lived in Illinois, Maryland, Connecticut, California, Nebraska of course, and now Arizona. I have loved every state.

Darlene Eggleston-Evans-Lamb

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired

Family: 2 sons and a daughter, 14 grandchildren, 2 great grandchildren

Interests: Quilting, Crafts, Fishing, Swimming, Gardening, Church, Movies, Boating

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I love being retired! I worked at NFM for 28 years in the carpet department with the legendary "Mrs. B" in the beginning. Now, I live with my husband, Elbie, at Beaver Lake. Living on the Lake is like being on vacation all the time. My daughter, son, and brother also have homes on the Lake. We have one son living in Omaha. We try to attend our grandchildren's activities which range from dancing, soccer, ice hockey, football to speech contests. I belong to the Beaver Lake Ladies Auxiliary, Piece Makers Quilt Guild, and play Bunco with some great ladies once a month.

Daniel Evans

Class of '66 danielevans1147@gmail.com



Occupation: Retired

Family: Nancy, daughters Denise & Wendy, sons Don & Brian, 11 grandkids, 10 great grandkids

Interests: Church, Holy Bible, serving the homeless & incarcerated, Pastor

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Numerous spiritual experiences, writing a book about these experiences "Jesus Is The Light in This Dark World". Trips to Israel, Norway, Alaska, Canada, and US national parks were memorable.

Annelle Eglehoff

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired hospital diagnostic lab work

Family: four-legged fur babies Jaz and Rascal, tuxedos, short hair boy, long hair girl

Interests: travel, woodworking, mushrooming, hiking, fishing

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Since the last reunion I've traveled to Chile & Argentina, Germany & Poland, Morocco & Egypt, Hawaii (again) back to Australia (cuddled with a koala), France & Italy, put in new landscaping in the area behind the house in a Japanese garden style, learned to make sushi, got out on the ocean a few times for fishing, and went to numerous wine classes/tastings.

Evan Evans

Class of '66 ejescalpel@gmail.com



Occupation: Evan

Family: Married to Sue (32 yrs). Three children, two grandchildren.

Interests: Astronomy, golf, great books, travel.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Surgeon in Buffalo since 1979. Medical management 20 yrs. Board member Kaleida Health System (Buffalo, NY) for 10 yrs. Active in establishment of laparoscopic and robotic surgery in Western NY. Masters from Carnegie-Mellon Univ. in Management. Looking forward to retirement in WNY and Florida in a few more years.

Mark Everman

Class of '66



Occupation: Programmer Analyst

Gerri (Gary) Ewing

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired

Family: Spouse: Cindy - Younguns: Robbie, Shelly, Jennifer, Tiffiney

Interests: Golf, Sailing, Offshore sailboat racing, woodworking, aggravating my bride

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: After graduation I joined the USAF and was rewarded with a trip to South East Asia. Upon discharge I opted to live in Florida. Over the next 20 years I learned telecommunications and sailing. In 1978 an opportunity took us to Houston TX. While in TX I earned my USCG License so I could be a part time Sailing Charter Capitan. In 1988 I left the phone company and spent a year sailing the Caribbean. Once I exhausted my savings it was time to go back to reality. AT&T hired me as an Network Engineer, where I remained until I retired. Now I live on a Texas golf course, and work on my swing.

Stephen (Steve) Farrell

Class of '66



Occupation: Commercial Real Estate Sales & Leasing

Family: Married, two children, 7 grandchildren

Interests: I was fortunate to find a career I enjoyed.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Co-founded Investors Realty in 1975. Now retired. Have been fortunate to keep contact with many former grade school and high school friends. Many fishing, hunting and Harley trips.

Jean Farstrup Eller

Class of '66



Occupation: retired elementary teacher

Family: Three sons and two grandchildren

Interests: hiking/walking, reading, crafts, traveling

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Still teaching part-time. Loving life in beautiful Colorado!!

Nancy Fehlau Hatcher

Class of '66



Occupation: Data entry associate for Infogroup

Family: I have a daughter & son, Sandra & Jon, with three grandsons, Nick, Max & Zach.

Interests: Spending time with grandchildren, working on home projects, walking & dining out

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I have lived in Omaha almost my whole life. I was married to Errol for 25 years. I loved being home raising my kids and have done a lot of secretarial work through the years. Am hoping to do more traveling when I retire, hopefully next year!

Bruce Felty

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired 9 yrs ago from Law Enforcement

Family: Our four children have a combined 55 years in the military (Army & Marines).

Interests: 3rd year of being a Master Gardner.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I was active in Boy Scouts for 40 years. My wife and I will be married 49 years in August. We have 8 grandchildren. My wife had her 55th high school reunion this year in Holdrege. We both like to travel, garden and go camping.

Frederick Ferguson

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired

Family: Two sons Devin and Ryan, one step daughter, Shanna, one step son Jared.

Interests: Fishing, golfing, traveling.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Served two years in the U.S. Army, 1968-1970. Served in Viet Nam in 1969 as a Track/Tank Commander. Was honored to be "in country" with ex Bunnies, Frank Ferguson, Paul Critchlow, Steve LeClair, and Carl Carlson. Joined the Omaha Fire Division, January 1971 and retired, September 1998 as the Captain of Aerial ladder 41, at 61st and Ames Avenue. Have been married to my third wife for 29yrs.

Virginia Fili Rudzinskas

Class of '66 virginia95682@gmail.com



Occupation: Retired from IBM & Small Business Owner

Family: John and I have been married 32 years; we have one daughter & one grand daughter

Interests: Travel, photography, hiking, computer embroidery and design and working out.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I worked for IBM for 22 years, and had my own business, Artisan Gifts. My husband and I love to travel. We've been to 40 plus foreign countries on four continents. Also, we've visited every state in the USA. Our trips are on our YouTube Channel (John & Virginia's Videos). Here's the link - <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSTeARM2SqzQM5O06F1nYlw> - My husband is a sweetheart. He's a Cornell Engineering graduate. We enjoy anything high-tech! Here's our family web site. www.rudzinskas.org - It has our travels, recipes, local events etc.

Debra (Debbie) Fink Tripp

Class of '66 trippdebra@hotmail.com



Occupation: Retired Dual Lang Teacher Spanish/Eng

Family: Married 53 yrs Tom.-2 sons,2 daughters-9 grandkids

Interests: Love to travel, read, swim, bike and speak Spanish.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Lived in the foothills of Denver since 1977. My love of Spanish has led to my most memorable experiences: spending summers volunteering in Nicaragua, attending language school in Costa Rica, and visiting Cuba with our Cuban son-in-law many times. As a Christian, my faith has been the strength of my life. When travel opens up, we hope to return to Costa Rica to spend time with our family there. We also want to spend time with family in Cuba, God willing.

Tracy Fischer Morris

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired

Family: Son Matthew living in Omaha.

Interests: Still reading - also needlework and caring for animals.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Married a cowboy and have been living happily in rural Colorado for the last 30 years. In touch with Rikki Forney Hulsebus and see her occasionally. Can't attend due to illness in the house, but hope everyone has a wonderful time!

Robert (Bob) Ford

Class of '66 bob@bobford.org



Occupation: Retired

Family: Wife: Rita, Children: Rob, Toby, Cory, Lisa, Granddaughters: (7)

Interests: I am playing rock and roll again with The Brits and The Grease Band.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I started performing when I was 14 years old, and I have been entertaining professionally off and on for almost 60 years. In October of 1967 I was invited to join The Rumbles. For the next 25 years I made a living doing what I love most—playing rock and roll. I have four children, 3 boys and a girl. My wife, Rita, and I have seven granddaughters from 11 to 24. In 1987 I retired from music to get a real job. I worked at Union Pacific Railroad until retirement in 2012. Upon retirement I started playing rock and roll again with two local bands, The Grease Band, and The Brits. I was induct



Rikki Forney Hulsebus

Class of '66



Occupation: Affirmative Action Analyst-Wells Fargo

Family: Married 46 years to Ron - two children, Cori and Andy, also Benson Bunnies

Interests: Movies, reading and enjoying retirement

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Graduated from Dana College in Blair in 1970. Went to work for US National Bank/Wells Fargo while in college; became full time in 1970 after graduating and retired in June 2014. I was in Human Resources except for 3 years in the 70's. The last 15 years I was an Affirmative Action Compliance Analyst writing plans and doing reporting for about 14 states. We have lived in Omaha except from 2000 to 2012 we lived in Phoenix. When my husband retired we moved back to be close to family, especially our children, and friends. Benson was a great experience;especially being in the band. :>)

Beverly Francis Urbach

Class of '66 burbach48@me.com



Occupation: educator

Family: I have 2 children and 6 grandchildren. Two are in college and one just graduated

Interests: I love to read, walk, garden, attend aerobics and my grandchildren's events.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I attended the University of Northern Colorado, UNO, and UNL and completed a Ph.D. from UNL in Curriculum & Education. I have taught grades 1-5 as well as undergraduate/graduate education courses. I have been a curriculum specialist, an elementary principal and still teach online graduate courses for Concordia University. I have students from all over the world. My husband, Don, (Central '66) passed away in 2005. He brought purple balloons from the Central Reunion to our reunion in 1986. Fun guy! I now love to travel to my grandchildren's college sports: soccer & baseball.

Edward Ganey

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired

Family: Wife Barbara ,Children Brent and Alexis

Interests: Grandchildren, Golfing, Travel

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Graduate Nebraska/Omaha. Buyer for Brandeis/Youngers traveling to New York Europe and the Orient in 70's and 80's . Store Management late 80's until retirement in DesMoines, Iowa. Milwaukee Wisconsin and back to Omaha . Enjoyed earning a 4th degree Black Belt in Taekwondo and being a certified instructor . Currently residing in Omaha .

James (Jim) Gardner

Class of '66 jimgardner48@gmail.com



Occupation: Retired Lutheran pastor

Family: Cheryl, my wife

Interests: I read a lot, play music a lot, walk my dog a lot and ride my motorcycle.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I've been married for 47 years to Cheryl--who I met at Dana college--where I received a BA in Religion and Sociology. I retired after 35 years of ordained ministry in the Lutheran Church (ELCA). I play guitar, mandolin and banjo (badly). I'm also a woodcarver. But mostly, when I'm not out walking my dog, I just sit around the house. Life is pretty good.

Linda Gaughran Heedum

Class of '66



Susan Gilbert Eaton

Class of '66 susan.eaton@centurylink.net

Sally Giles Jones

Class of '66



Occupation: Director, Intensive English Program

Family: Married to Rodd for 50 years; live in Wichita with our 2 dogs and 1 cat.

Interests: Reading (avid collector of First Editions), Music, Spinning and Weaving

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I've been fortunate to be in the English as a Second Language field since 1981 and still have not retired. My professional career has been most rewarding. Participation in church activities continues to be a big part of my life. Memorable life experiences: A 2-week trip to Europe in 1986 and a 2-week trip to Mexico in 1996. I'd love to go back to Italy!

Family: 2 daughters, 1 son, 5 grandsons & a great-granddaughter

Interests: kids, pets & plants, Colorado mountains, Bible study & teaching

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Fontenelle, Monroe, Benson through 1964, graduated from Shawnee Mission West HS in Overland Park, KS; KU, U of I, DU & CU; married in 1969, moved to Colorado in 1973, divorced 1986; four trips to Israel 1999 through 2004; best known as "Julie's mom", "Mike's mom" & "Catie's mom". No longer working full time, but contemplating part time employment and possibly a move nearer to my younger daughter, Catherine, who lives in a more rural part of Colorado and owns horses .

Patricia (Trish) Girard Kiger

Class of '66 trkiger@cox.net



Occupation: Retired

Family: I have been a widow since 2008. I have one daughter and 3 grandchildren.

Interests: Making cards for all occasions. Playing Bunco. Bingo, Bible study. Singing.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Worked at Mutual of Omaha Insurance Co. for 30 years. Have lived in Missouri, Iowa, Florida and Nebraska. Taught pre-school Sunday school for 25 years. Have lived in Papillion NE (one of the top 5 places to live in the U.S.) for 27yrs. My husband, Russ was diagnosed with Alzheimer's at age 53. I cared him for 4 yrs., then he was in a nursing home for 4 yrs. We were married for 30 yrs. I have Multiple Sclerosis and use a power chair. I live in a small independent living community and love it. It is like one big family. My daughter and her family live near by, so I see them often.

Richard (Dick) Gordon

Class of '66 rcgordon124@gmail.com



Sheryl Grebe Krapp

Class of '66



Occupation: retired/work parttime Louisville HS

Family: 3 boys, 4 grandchildren, 1 grandchild deceased, 3 great grandchild

Interests: counted cross stitch and crocheting

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Retired but work part time at Louisville High School in the kitchen making lunch for students. Elementary, Middle School and High School.

Janet Grinage Patterson

Class of '66



Occupation: Hus

Family: Husband: Glenn Daughters: Kelli & Sondra

Interests: walking, fitness, reading, cooking

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: After earning BSN at UNL, worked in Omaha in Public Health nursing and taught at College of Nursing. Moved to Phoenix, and started family which led to life long learning and teaching in early childhood education. Our older daughter is married and teaching near London. Our younger daughter works in health care nearby.

Kathleen (Kathy) Gross Mechanic

Class of '66 kathy_mechanic@cox.net



Occupation: Retired court reporter

Family: Husband Jack, 4 grown kids, 5 grandkids plus 1 great grandkid

Interests: Extensive travel, watercolor, draw, tap dance, run, walk, cycle, knit, read

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Since the 50th Benson HS reunion: 2016 - For 25th wedding anniversary, took a trip to San Francisco, Vietnam, Cambodia, Thailand. 2017 - Trip to Croatia and Montenegro with our kids & grandkids. Then on to South England and Wales by ourselves. July 2019 - Trip to Netherlands, Scandinavia, Russia w/our 2 grandsons. Sketchbook Project (Brooklyn Art Library) publishes Kathy's sketchbook. 2020 - In FL Mar 2020 - Apr 2021. Return to NE 4/23/2021. Pandemic included a virtual bat mitzvah for granddaughter, a virtual Thanksgiving w/kids & grandkids, time outdoors to get out of house.

Tonie Gwin Kocarnik

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired

Family: Sons: Sean and Troy (deceased) Thompson Step children: Jim and Gina

Interests: Enjoy MN summers and camping locally with friends. Reading, gardening/volunteer

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Blending step family/Ski trips and MN fishing trips/Attending Desert Storm outing in Washington, D.C. Three grandsons

Bruce Halldorson

Class of '66 kfactor100@aol.com



Occupation: Retired

Family: Married 46 years Melody Berhow (BHS66), daughter, son-in-law, grandson

Interests: model railroading, motor-home travel

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Drafted, Vietnam, married, daughter, night school, worked many years in industrial/commercial fire protection design projects in 40 states, only daughter's wedding, only grandson born, retired 2009, called back for part time consulting work 2014, good friends and great life. Really blessed.

Eric Hansen

Class of '66



Occupation: Tax Practitioner & Accountant

Family: Wife - Marcy; Son - Adam; Brother - Kurt (Benson grad 1964)

Interests: Volunteering, Golfing, Ballroom Dancing, Hanging out with friends and family.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Member of Benson band who marched in Pres. Johnson's parade. Joined Marines and was in the traveling West coast Marine Corps Band. Have had my own business for 39 years. Elected by my peers to 2 terms on the National Society of Accountants board. Nebr Society of Independent Accounts officer and board member for 30 years. Married to my friend, lover and life partner Marcy. Proud father of Adam and his new wife Lisa. Waiting for my first grand child. Explaining that "Bunny" is the real Benson school mascot & not a joke!

Candice Hansen Chamberlin

Class of '66



Occupation: RN

Family: Husband Cliff Son Craig and daughter Margaret

Interests: Gardening, sewing, playing with grandkids, doing nothing!

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: After 2 years at Midland Lutheran College I transferred to the University of Nebraska School of Nursing in 1971. Cliff and I were married in 1970 and I worked at the VA hospital in Omaha for 5 years. We then moved to Medford Oregon for 10 years and then to Denver. We are now in Kearney. Cliff is retired from the VA and I still work in Denver. I work for an agency and work in ICU at several Denver hospitals. When in Denver I stay with Margaret and her husband and their 3 children. Our son Craig lives in the Kearney area and he and his wife have a little girl. We are healthy and happy.

Gerald Hansen

Class of '66



Maurice (Morry) Hansen

Class of '66



Occupation: air traffic controller and home builder

Family: 3 children 8 grand children 2 foster grand children

Interests: golf, flying, wood working and most of all grandkids

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: lived off grid for 15 years in Colorado mountains

Nancy Hansen Jordan

Class of '66



Occupation: Caretaker

Family: Son- Terry Daughter - Wendy

Interests: Granddaughter

Raymond Hansen

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired from USWest in 2001

Family: Married to Pam.

Interests: Recording studio, golf.

Richard Hansen

Class of '66



Occupation: Construction

Family: Four daughters, two step daughters, 6 grandchildren and one very tolerant woman.

Interests: Golf, riding my Harley and being retired.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Loving life in Sequim on Washington's Olympic Peninsula in the beautiful Pacific Northwest since retirement in 2003.

Robert (Andy) Hansen

Class of '66



Occupation: Pharmacist

Family: Wife-Nancy Johnson(class 69), daughter-Christy, son-Terry

Interests: Gardening and landscaping, flying, riding motorcycles, woodworking, music

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Married in 1970 and graduate pharmacy school in 1971. Had my car stolen 5 times in Omaha so we moved to York, NE to get away and worked there 2 years. Started my own pharmacy in Holdrege, NE. in 1975 where I worked for 10 years before becoming the pharmacy manager at Wal-Mart in Lexington, NE where I worked for 30 years before semi-retiring last year. We live in the country on 7 acres in a home built in 1896 that we have extensively landscaped. I have a pilots license, ride a Harley and love woodworking.

Sheryl Harris Thomas

Class of '66



Occupation: Teacher at Metro Com College and Tai Chi

Family: One daughter, Leah Rosengren. Two grandsons, Skylar, 9 and Xander, 3. Two sister

Interests: Teaching writing and Tai Chi 4 times a week. Gardening and reading.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: While my daughter is finalizing her accounting degree, I babysit a lot. My husband died 14 years ago, so I stay busy by exercising, taking care of my mother who is 91, teaching and babysitting. I taught at Millard South and Millard West High Schools before retiring 10 years ago. Then I began teaching writing at Metro Community College at Sarpy and Elkhorn and I have been there for about 10 years. I got my certification to teach Tai Chi six years ago, and I teach at St Paul Lutheran Church and Hope Presbyterian Church. I am active at my own church, Dundee Presbyterian.

Janet (Cindy) Harris Smith

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired Teacher/Substitute Teacher

Family: Husband: Jeff; Children: Greg Huff, Rebecca Martin, Megan Starzyk6 Grandchildre

Interests: Spending time with family, especially grandkidsTravel, reading, paper crafts

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Taught elementary school in Blair, NE for 37 years and still enjoy substitute teaching.

David (Dave) Hess

Class of '66 davidotis66@outlook.com



Occupation: Former Business Owner, Currently retired

Family: Wife: Ginny Son: Mark in Kansas City Daughter: Gretchen in Indianapolis

Interests: Boating & ongoing projects around our home in Lincoln on Capital Beach Lake.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Born in Sacramento, CA. Lived in Nebraska most of my life except for four years in Kansas City where I was a branch manager for a national micrographics company. Had my own document scanning business for 15 years. Have enjoyed traveling to Germany & Mexico as well as US. Major Project: doing a complete restoration of my 1950 22' long Chriscraft mahogany boat. Took 400 hours, but she was beautiful when completed! Best job: Park Ranger in Grand Teton Nat'l Park, Wyoming in 1970 & 71. Enjoying our 5 grandchildren! Three girls in KC and a girl and boy in Indianapolis.

Douglas Hiddleston

Class of '66



Occupation: Electronic Tech.

Family: Wife: Carol, Son:Scott, Daughter: Katie(Kathryn)

Interests: Retired, TV.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Military (Army) for three years after graduating College. Worked at Control Data for 20 years until they closed. Worked 20 years at Valmont Ind. until retiring. Had worked for almost 50 years so I refuse to work any more.

Kathy Hilding Vecchio

Class of '66



Occupation: homemaker

Family: Husband Paul, three children, five grandchildren

Interests: still love baseball the best but we enjoy all sportsI love the mountains,

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I worked for a time for three creighton law students for a pre-trial release program, also worked at old Omaha National Bank. Worked for the Nebraska Heart Ass'n with Bev Delafield and worked for OPs for 10 years. Now am underpaid(but it is the best job of all) watching my grandchildren.

Sharon Holmstrom Blocker

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired

Family: 5Kids + 15Grandkids 1Married 1 engaged

Interests: Wine

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Just celebrated 50th Anniversary

John Hover

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired Reg Sales Manager - Deere & Co.

Family: Wife: Sandy. Children: Seth (Emika) 4 grandsons, Nathan (Loretta), Gretchen

Interests: We enjoy watching movies and going to Corvette shows. Hunting, flyfishing.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Marketing degree from UNO in '70. Left Omaha in '71 and lived in: Quad Cities, St Louis, Kansas City, DFW and returning to Omaha in '94 courtesy of Deere & Co. Enjoy Omaha compared to the larger cities - we don't miss the traffic, crowding or the heat of TX. 10 actual anniversaries in our 40 year marriage. The '72 Corvette that we've owned for 40 years recently underwent a 44 month mechanical restoration while retaining preserved original paint and interior. Our older son and family live in Japan so we use Skype as often as is possible w/the 12 hour time difference. Genealogy fan.

Kathryn (Kathy) Humphrey Viola

Class of '66



Family: Married to Mike Viola. We have 5 children between us and 13 grandchildren.

Interests: Cabin life, golfing, bowling, Minnesota Vikings and traveling.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: We have lived in Minneapolis for 36 years. I retired from Northwest Airlines and have been enjoying cruises and traveling. Love spending time with our kids and grandkids. Also, being in contact with my old friends from high school. Looking forward to seeing everyone!!

Robert (Bob) Hursh

Class of '66 bhy1971@yahoo.com



Occupation: Accountant/Auditor/Retired

Family: Married college sweetheart 50 years in November. Two sons & five grandchildren.

Interests: Current Events, Sports, Gardening, Politics, and Religion

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: After college (UNO) six years in Air Force - B-52 Navigator. Became a CPA and have worked as an Auditor or Accountant for several different companies. We have lived in five states currently in Omaha. Helped in the start-up of Catholic Radio in Omaha. Have visited the Holy Land. Retired in 2016 and still keeping very busy. Enjoy life and family.

John Iliff

Class of '66 jiliff@grosswelch.com



Occupation: lawyer

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: US Army 3 years. Married for 30 years. Daughter lives in New York. Working at same firm for 35 years.

Marilyn Jackson Jerde

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired- School Administrator

Family: Husband-Paul: Children- Erica, Peter, Kayla - We have four grandsons.

Interests: Western art, early literacy, travel, hiking, reading, sailing, family

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: After graduation from UNL, I accepted a teaching job in Honolulu, Hawaii. I moved to Boulder, Colorado 1975. In my career as an educator I have been a classroom teacher, Instructional Coach, Elementary Principal, and University Adjunct Professor. I retired in 2010 as the District Executive Director of Schools. Honors: CCIRA Colorado Administrator of the Year; clinical instructor for CU Boulder School of Education. Exciting life experience; sailing in the Caribbean with family and friends. Docent at the American Museum of Western Art in Denver, CO.

Mary Jensen Pegler

Class of '66 sonorangirl71@aol.com



Occupation: Retired elementary school teacher

Family: Son lives in Florida. Daughter lives in Arizona. I have one granddaughter.

Interests: I enjoy reading, swimming, riding a bicycle, and walking in the desert preserve.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: My husband and I celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary this summer. We have lived in Scottsdale since 1984.

Nancy Jensen Schmidt

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired

Family: Married for 54 years. We have 4 children, 4 grandchildren and 2 greats

Pamela (Pam) Jensen

Class of '66



Occupation: I sub in the kitchens in OPS schools

Family: I have 2 daughters and 5 grandkids

Interests: Playing games on the computer

Terry Jindra

Class of '66



Occupation: Sales

Family: Wife: Fran 3 Children 4 Grandchildren

Interests: My car: 72 Chevelle SS, Fishing in the Chesapeake Bay, Eastern Shore of MD

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Navy Veteran (Vietnam) Sold business Power Drives & Bearings to Motion Ind. Still working there. Happily married for 44 yrs on Aug 5.

Howard Johnson

Class of '66



Occupation: Medicare Consulting

Family: Married 46 years, 2 children and 3 grandchildren

Interests: grandchildren, golf, staying healthy and to never stop learning.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I am grateful. God has blessed me a fabulous family and a long and great career. To ask for more would be wrong....My very best to the BHS Class of 1966.

Reva Johnson Aguilar

Class of '66



Occupation: Residency Coordinator

Family: 7 children, 13 grandchildren

Interests: Singing, church, pizza

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I was married for 39 years when my husband died suddenly in 2009. I have a large, close knit family all of whom live in Omaha. Ten of my grandchildren are under the age of 8, so it is something of a noisy group. I work at Creighton University and have no immediate plans to retire as I like my job and the people at work.

Sharon Johnson Reichwein

Class of '66 slrgrandma@msn.com



Occupation: Retired

Family: Husband: Robert (Class of 1966) 2 Daughters, 5 grandchildren

Interests: Family, Bible Study, Reading, Movies, Traveling, Crafts

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I have worked as a paralegal; Church Office Administrator at our church for 20 years including many ministry positions, development and leadership; a graphics designer/customer service for a printing company; Kindergarten Centers Leader for a Christian School; and many volunteer positions over the years. Have been married 53 years and love spending time with our daughters and grandchildren! We take our grandchildren on a trip of their choosing for either their 16th or 13th birthday and that has been a wonderful, adventurous and amazing opportunity to spend time with each one!

Dana Jones

Class of '66



Occupation: Residential Designer

Family: Wife: Kathleen Jones, married in 1980, we met in Lake Tahoe. no children

Interests: Design, gardening, motorcycling, art, books, travel

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Drafted in 1969 during junior year at University of Nebraska. Returned to Omaha in spring of 1971, left for California in fall of 1971. Lived in Hermosa Beach, then Lake Tahoe. Got married in 1980, and moved to Santa Cruz. I taught solar home design at community college for 2 semesters, then opened by own design business in 1982. I've been drawing houses ever since and love it! I come to Omaha every summer to visit my father and brother.

Thomas (Tom) Kauffman

Class of '66 tk6658@cox.net



Occupation: Retired teacher..2003

Family: Wife(Mary Lynne) 3 children Scott,Lindsey(deceased) and Matt

Interests: golf,seeing our 4 grandchildren,, bridge,reading and watching the Cubs& NE

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Graduated from UNL in 1971, Masters from UNO in 1978.Taught social studies and English in OPS. The last 12 years I taught at Benson. Coached football,wrestling and little league baseball.

Connie Keely Baden

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired 2014, from Omaha Public Schools

Family: Husband Tom Baden, BHS '65. Jeff died at 17, Julie is 32, lives in Denver.

Interests: Be with friends, garden, ride bikes w/hubby, read, camping, travel, cruises.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Married 47 years so far to my wonderful husband. Graduated from Wichita State U while Tom was in the Air Force. Came back to Omaha, taught Business at South High for 5 years; then an instructor at Metro Community College and Para at Joslyn Elementary School. Enjoyed it all. Now sitting back and relaxing; love retirement and love to eat, have a sign in my kitchen "I kiss better than I cook." We are active in our Church. In addition I have gotten together with about 12 gals for about 40 years at 'Stitch n Bitch'...a great support group. Life is good; I wish that for all BHS Bunnies.

Robert (Bob) Kenny

Class of '66



Occupation: retired restaurant manager

Family: Single. Sister, Sue in Denver.

Interests: Sports.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Viet Nam vet, USMC. Restaurant trouble-shooter and consultant.

Patricia Kiddoo Malesh

Class of '66



Gloria Klein Jefferies

Class of '66



Occupation: BFA, Teacher, Regional Sales Manager

Family: Husband Jim retired, Married Daughter Kara Physician, Married Son Architect

Interests: Gardening, Dancing, Bookclub, Dogs

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Jim and I have traveled the world for ten years because of his volunteer work for IEEE. We celebrated our 50th in New Zealand in 2019 a year ahead. We have a married daughter living in Arlington, VA (we were on the DC mall for the fireworks'21) and married son in Orinda CA (who sails on the SFBay...our first trip there after Covid we introduced his new Havanese to the wind) , so very nice places to visit, and each has provided a granddog for our total enjoyment; we have travelled too much to have our own fur baby. After graduating from UN in Lincoln I taught at Morton Jr. High for four years.

Mary Knight Kennedy

Class of '66



Occupation: Bankteller

Family: Was married for 47 year when I lost Mike. We have 4 children and 12Grandkids

Interests: Kids ,grandkids, my 2 little dogs ,movies and camping.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: 50 years in a paragraph, yikes that's hard. One month after graduation I married the love of my life, we were blessed with 47 years together, 4 children & 12 grandchildren. I attended Capitol School of Cosmetology. I spent many years making others beautiful. I now work at American Nat'l Bank in Crescent with no plans of retiring as I love all the people. We made our home in Crescent ,la. for 29 years. After my husband passed away 3 years ago, I moved to Omaha. I spend my free time camping, loving on my Grandkids and hanging out with my friends. It's been a great 50 years.

John Klinker

Class of '66 john@theklinkers.com



Occupation: Naval officer; business owner

Family: Wife, Joanna Luers, from Grand Island. Two children, 4 grandchildren

Interests: Sailing, strolling on the beach, bicycling, investing, real estate, Rotary Club

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I very fondly cherish the memory of growing up on the family farm at 132nd and Fort Street. Married Jo in March 1970. Graduated/Commissioned Ensign USN through NROTC at University of Nebraska June 1970. Active Naval Service July 1970-April 1976. Much time at sea in Eastern & Western Pacific/Indian Ocean. Naval Reserve May 1976-January 1994 retiring as Captain. Business career started at Xerox Corp in November 1976. Started a business February 1985 now run by son in Coronado. We are still loving life in Coronado, California, since arriving here in 1971.

Garry Knittel

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired

Family: Married Wife Gayle Birkner Knittel 5 children 8 grand children

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Vietnam 68-69 172nd Trans Co

David Koons

Class of '66 davidkoons@bellsouth.net



Occupation: Customer Relations Manager

Family: Wife and two children!! Two grandchildren

Interests: Watching sports and travel

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Went into the Navy after high school!! Traveled all over the Med!!! Went to Paris and Rome for a week each for \$75.00 each! I love people so I went into Sales!! I have been in sales this last 43 years!

Linda (Casey) Kotrous Prann

Class of '66 lprann3@hotmail.com



Occupation: Retired teacher

Family: Husband Bill 3 sons Bill Jr., Brian, and Bob 2 grandchildren Dusty and Rachel

Interests: Being retired and doing whatever I want to do.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Being married for 52 years Teaching middle school for 31 years Organizing and running an afterschool program for 10 years Traveling to Australia

Kenneth (Ken) Lamb

Class of '66 krlamb3757@msn.com



Occupation: Retired

Family: Wife Roxanne (Rocky) Married 45 years. Three children, Emily, Melissa, Jill.

Interests: Old cars

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: 2 yrs. college (UNL), 1 yr. trade school (auto mechanics) 3 yrs. Army, Overseas in Thailand. 33 yrs. OPPD. Cable Splicer. Retired 2005. Built a large garage and spend my days playing with old cars. Five Grandchildren, one Great Grandson.

James Larsen

Class of '66



Occupation: retired

Family: Married to Penelope Lyman, 1969, 2 children, Nicholas and Cynthia, 3 grandkids.

Interests: businesspsych.org (business writing), thewintergarden.net (gardening), tennis

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: B.S. in Ed. (UN-L), M.S. in Ed. (KU), PhD. (UN-L). I worked 10 years in education, and 35 years in corrections. I also led worship services part time in a UCC church in Lincoln, and I write a business column for the Retail Association of Nevada. I am currently building a website explaining cultivation practices I follow to grow Bloomsdale spinach through the winter in an unheated cold frame.

Kenneth (Ken) Larsen

Class of '66



Occupation: Sr.V. P. Constr. Services, HDR (retired)

Family: We had a son in 1972 and a daughter in 1974. We have four wonderful grandsons.

Interests: Enjoy friends & family at our lake home, traveling & shooting sporting clays

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Married my beautiful high school sweetheart (Diane Gunderson) in 1968. Served in the US Navy in the Philippines in 1968-1969. I fully retired in 2012 from HDR an international Architectural & Engineering firm. We are fortunate to be able to be with our fantastic family very frequently.

John Larson

Class of '66 jdlarson@cox.net



Occupation: Facilities Operations Manager

Family: Great Wife, 4 children & their spouses, 6 amazing grandkids, one cool little dog

Interests: An awesome God, Harley Davidsons, Recovery, Drag Racing & other motorhead stuff.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Memorable Life Experiences: My time in the US Navy. My employment with the University of Nebraska Medical Center. My first Harley Davidson. Finally growing up at 40 years old, or at least starting the process.

Joyce Lefgren Betz

Class of '66



Occupation: Counselor & free-lance artist/instructor

Family: Celebrating our 50th wedding anniversary traveling to Australia & NZ.

Interests: people & God: the only "things" that last forever:) travel, design, goldens

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: The highlight of my life is knowing Jesus Christ as my Lord & Savior & knowing that my husband, son & I have eternal Life through Christ! Having a son who honors the Lord & loves us. Having fun with new & old friends. Traveling to different countries. Great memories for which I am grateful!

Rhea Lippert Musil

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired

Family: Husband Tom. son Jeff, daughter Amy. A total of 14 grandchildren

Interests: The lake, sewing , knitting & crafts.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: We have a total of 14 grandchildren and 1 great-grandson. Our son Jeff has 4 biological and 7 adopted Native American children. Our daughter has 3 children. We went from 7 to 14 with the signing of the judge. We are blessed with our family. Lake life is wonderful.

Joyce Little

Class of '66 joycelittle@cox.net



Occupation: Retired secondary teacher

Interests: Traveling, exercising, reading, volunteering, bowling.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I taught junior high school in denver public schools for 4 years, returned to omaha and taught for 28 years in the papillion-la vista public schools. I have traveled to britain, europe, and canada. After retiring, I took care of my father, who had dementia, for 5 years and worked at nebraska furniture mart on a part-time basis for 8 years. I am now completely retired. I do volunteer work for aarp's tax program, am a member of a bowling league, and dog sit for neighbors and friends.

Gary Lund

Class of '66 gd.lund@cox.net



Occupation: Insurance Agency Consultant

Family: Wife Darlene, Children Amy and Andrew. Five grandchildren; 4 girls 1 boy.

Interests: Cars (still); street machines, street rods, 60's-vintage muscle cars

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Lived away from Omaha for 20+ years in The Woodlands, TX; Tampa, FL area; Cincinnati, OH; Orange, CA; San Antonio, TX; Overland Park, KS; Baltimore, MD area. Returned to Omaha area in 2011 to be closer to family and friends. Sold my partnership interest in a Towson, MD-based insurance agency in November 2018, and will be involved with the insurance agency on a consulting basis only after November 2021.

Jenny Lowen Boldt

Class of '66 jboldt2@cox.net



Occupation: Retired Executive Assistant/Risk Manager

Family: Husband, Randy (54 years); 2 children, 4 grandkids and 4 great-grandkids

Interests: Family, Travel, Golf, Reading, Mah Jongg and saltwater fishing

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: We love travel and have had many memorable experiences, but one that comes to mind was catching a 215# blue marlin several years ago in the Sea of Cortez. I've been blessed with an amazing family and two challenging careers. It's all good, except the getting old part!

James (Jim) Lunkley

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired

Family: Judy (spouse)

Interests: Woodworking, Motorcycle touring, Landscape painting, Vocal music

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: After graduating from Benson I attended college, got married in 1968, and graduated in 1970. Moved to Arizona in 1973. I owned a motorcycle business for a while, worked for Club Med for a while, and in 1978 began a career as a process engineer in the contact lens manufacturing industry. In 1989 I began working for Bausch+Lomb as a manufacturing consultant to independent contact lens manufacturers both domestic and international. After logging a few million miles of air flights I retired in 2011. My wife and I have lived in Kansas, Arizona and, New Hampshire, and have retired in Iowa.

Carol Madson Russell

Class of '66 carolrussell@yahoo.com



Occupation: Retired - Cancer Research

Family: Husband: Rick. Children: Joel (Erin), Sara (Matt Boyd), Mark (Sarah). 7 Grand

Interests: Community Volunteerism, Political Advocacy

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Enjoyed staying in Nebraska and living in Omaha, an incredible philanthropic community. Have enjoyed seeing the city grow over the last 50 years. Have been involved in the Benson High Task Force to bring student enrollment through the establishment of career academies.

Rick Markt

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired

Family: Wife : Debra married 40yrs, 2 children , 1 grandchild

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: 20yrs military service.

Gary Martig

Class of '66



Occupation: Plumber retired

Family: Wife Diane, daughter Jamie

Interests: Hot rods and Saint Bernards working on our house now that I have them time

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: After high school I tried collage ,got drafted so I joined the navy went to Vietnam-nam for two years when I got out I entered the plumbing apprentice program and spent the next 50 years in the trade the last 39 were at Boys Town,where I also became a volunteer fireman-EMT.and did that for 32 years.I have been married to my wife for 35 years and in that time we have raised/rescued many St.Bernards and countless cats that have shown up at our door. I get a large charge out if working on and building old cars and enjoy going to car shows and out for drives. I enjoy my life,my family and friends

Michael (Mike) Massara

Class of '66



Occupation: Product Manager Chemicals Union Pacific

Family: Married and we have one son in Texas.

Interests: Like to do woodworking & home projects.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Graduated from Creighton in 1970 with a BS degree in Biology. Worked for the Union Pacific in Portland, OR and returned to Omaha in 1978. Enjoying retirement and the freedom that comes with it.

Susan Matson

Class of '66



Occupation: Director of Teacher Training, ESL

Family: Josi, 21; Jasmine, 16; Calvin (Llisa Apso), 14

Interests: Birdwatching and photography; literacy volunteer board; church; cycling

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Had a career working with dyslexic youth and adults, then moved into ESL teaching and training. Most memorable career experiences: being the only uncovered woman at the Qatar national airport and receiving stares on every side..riding a camel in the UAE..and doing folk dancing on stage in Malaysia. Most memorable personal experience--adopting a 14 month old and, 11 years later, a seven year old, in China.

Robert (Bob) McDermott

Class of '66



Occupation: President/CEO/Board of Directors

Family: Married to Debra, 40+ yrs. Three daughters, two sons and seven grandchildren

Interests: Pickleball, fishing, hunting, boating, writing.....

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Started working when I was 13 at a local supermarket and worked my way up the ladder to Division Manager at Hinky Dinky. In '82 I decided to venture out on my own, purchased my first supermarket from Harold Cooperman of No Frills. I later became President/Owner Midplains General Services Corp and on the board of UAG. My third career began in '93 and for the Past 25-years been with the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association. I am semi retired. I Summer in Minnesota and Winter in Florida. Just celebrated my 40-wedding anniversary. I have five children and seven-grandchildren.

Connie Mazur Quinn

Class of '66 cdquinn129@msn.com



Occupation: Retired - Benefits Administrator

Family: Daughter Pamela, Son Daniel II, 5 grandsons, 1 granddaughter, 2 great grandkids

Interests: Traveling - Anywhere and everywhere! Scrapbooking, Reading

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I married my high school sweetheart. I was 15 when he gave me his class ring, I was 16 when he joined the Navy and asked me to wait for him, I was 17 when he gave me an engagement ring, I was 18 and a senior when the Navy shipped him off to Vietnam for 18 months, and I was 19 when he came home from Vietnam and we got married. We were very fortunate, we had a very good life together. (He passed away in February) We both retired early and were able to travel a lot. We were able to take the whole family the last several years to Disney World and Universal in Florida, many treasured memories.

John McGann

Class of '66 jbmcgann@frenchfool.com



Occupation: Retired

Family: Married to Barbara June (Scott) McGann. Two step sons: Mike Duggan & Shawn Culp

Interests: Antique clocks, antiques, travel, fishing, gardening and Rotary.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Born and raised in Omaha, Nebraska. Graduated from UNO in 1971.Moved to Newport Beach, CA. in 1973.Formed McGann Asset Management, Inc. in 1997 & sold April 2015. Owned three Round Table Pizza Restaurants. Sold last unit in December 2012. Sold Long Beach, CA. home in August 2015. Retired and moved to Boquete, Panama September 11, 2015. Work part time for my old company in Long Beach, CA. Current President of Club Rotario de Boquete and Membership Chairman.

Patricia McIntyre Leithoff

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired: OPPD, FCS

Family: Married BHS sweet heart. Have 3 beautiful children and 4 wonderful grandchildren

Interests: Enjoy outdoor activities, camping, kayaking, traveling, gardening, and dancing.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I still reside on acreage in the beautiful rolling hills of northern Douglas county, although, I am widowed now. Retired from Omaha Public Power District. A 4-H Leader for 25 years proved to be very satisfying to me. Loved going on many trail rides throughout Nebraska and Iowa. I love life, hanging out with my friends, traveling and meeting new friends. And now, going for the "Bucket List".

Judy McKinsey Andrews

Class of '66

Occupation: Retired from All American Fundraising

Family: Three children and ten grandchildren

Interests: Following all my grandchildren activities and camping.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Celebrated my 50th wedding anniversary September 2015.

Jeannine Means Wriedt

Class of '66 jeanninewriedt@gmail.com



Occupation: Rental property owner

Family: husband - Bob Wriedt - deceased; daughter - Cindy; son - Matt; 4 grandkids

Interests: genealogy

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I graduated from Wayne State with a teaching degree in math and chemistry and from Central Missouri State with a master's degree in adult education. I taught junior and senior high math and science and GED classes for several years. I was also an Adult Basic Education Director. I have taught a math class at Wayne State for over 20 years so far and was also an academic advisor there. I also own and manage rental property. My children live in Wayne and work for me, and my grandchildren all live within 30 miles, so I spend lots of time with my family.

Joan Meyer Olander

Class of '66



Occupation: Sr. Systems Software Engineer

Family: Married 49 years with 4 children (2 in NE, 2 in CA) and 12 grandchildren.

Interests: Currently owned and operated by three Shelties; compete in Agility with one.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Attended Augustana College in Sioux Falls. Moved to Omaha, Beatrice, Schuyler, and Springfield where Bob taught or was a school administrator.

Robert (Bob) Miller

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired Postal carrier and clerk, Marin

Family: My wife of 45 years Mary and one son Bobby.

Interests: Black Belt in Taekwondo, weightlifting, backpacking, traveling, amateur magician

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Served in the Marine Corp in Viet Nam . Graduated UNO. then 35 years in the Postal service. Found time for 20 years in the Marine Reserves and about 8 years with the Boy Scouts. Served on my church council and did a number of trips to Europe to visit relatives there. Now retired we spend most of our winters in Mexico with friends.

Thomas (Tom) Minthorn

Class of '66



Occupation: Marketing Communications Executive

Family: Married Susan May in 1973. One child, Samantha.

Interests: guitar-songwriting-bicycling-hiking-church

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Direct marketing executive for 30 years. Marketing communications consultant to global tech companies for 15 years. Founding member of the Fay Hoagan Experiment. Inducted into the Nebraska Rock N' Roll Hall of Fame in 1999. My wife and daughter and I live in the Seattle area.

Carol Molsbee Morlock

Class of '66 caminmo@sbcglobal.net



Occupation: Semi-retired since 2011

Family: Married 42 years to Dean. We have one son, Kevin, a Veteran of Iraqi Freedom.

Interests: Camping. Traveling. Reading. Walking-daily.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: We left Omaha in 1989 to become owner/operators of the World's highest elevated DQ in Summit Co. CO. From the mountain tops we thawed out in the Sonoran Desert of AZ. We threw a dart at a map & it landed in Springfield, MO-we have been here ever since. I was a Cert. Medical Assistant for 25 years & handled the stress by getting a massage weekly. I decided to become a therapist. I had my own business and started teaching at the school. I am currently semi-retired, but still do some massage today. As soon as our home sells we will be full-time RVers starting really soon! (Life long goal).

David (Dave) Moore

Class of '66



Occupation: Sociologist

Family: Married to Marilyn, 1971 to present. No children, one cat. We live in Lincoln.

Interests: Data analysis, reading, travel, classical music, baseball

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: BA 1971, UNL Sociology; MA 1976 UNL Sociology; PhD 1981 UNL Sociology, emphases in statistics, statistical computing, and collective violence. 1982-1987 Boys Town, Follow-Up Research and Program Evaluation Division. 1990-1992, 2000-present UNO School of Criminology & Criminal Justice; In CJ I typically teach a subset of statistics/computing, research methods, race/ethnicity & the American justice system, and terrorism. 1992-present UNO Department of Sociology & Anthropology. In Soc I teach a subset of statistics/computing, research methods, social movements & terrorism, and soc of religion.

Susan Moy Whitmore

Class of '66 fibergal77@gmail.com



Occupation: Phys. Therapist retired, yarn shop owner

Family: Married to my high school sweetheart, Larry, for soon to be 42 years!

Interests: Art, Golf, keeping fit

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Being a Physical Therapist served me well and Larry's positions with the Travelers moved us from Omaha to Conway AR, Dallas Tx, Louisville KY, San Antonio TX, and finally Charlotte NC. Retired in 1991, where I started golfing and got involved in crafting which lead to opening a yarn shop with a very good friend. After 15 years closed the shop in 2015. Now enjoying retirement and free time to golf and travel.

Dan Munhall

Class of '66 danmun63@gmail.com



Occupation: business owner, retired

Family: Married Aleta Anderson (BHS 66), 3 daughters Julie, Marlies, Megan; grandpa to 8

Interests: Hunting, fishing, reading, traveling, motorcycles

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Attended UNO-business admin. Vietnam vet served with US Navy (airwing) and then with Nebr Air National Guard (unit assisted after the 1975 tornado). Spent number of yrs as a Boy Scout Explorer advisor. Plan to continue traveling (and cruising) when Covid permits

Lloyd Mulick

Class of '66 lcrbigred@centurylink.net



Occupation: Retired from the phone co.

Family: Married for 44 years to Carolyn and we have 1 son Ryan, and 3 grand children.

Interests: Fishing, Hunting Camping and Biking.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: After high school joined the Navy and was trained as a Hospital Corpsman. Spent a year in Vietnam. After the service got married and went to UNO graduated in 1977. In 1979 went to work for Goodyear Tire And Rubber CO. Works for them for 25 years. I then got on with the phone company and retired in 2012. We have 3 wonderful grandkids. A set of twins Mason and Darby and another girl Bayler. The twins start high school this fall 2016. For me it has been a wonderful life.

Nancy Naab Davis

Class of '66



Occupation: retired

Family: Husband, Doug, 2 married children, 4 grandchildren.

Interests: Genealogy, history, traveling, modern and historical primitive camping.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Retired in 2010 after working 25 years for the public schools. Have been involved with historical reenactment of the mountain man era. Enjoy spending time with family and friends.

Carolyn Nekonchuk Massey

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired & Volunteer

Family: Husband: Keith Son: Chad Loeks; wife: Erin
Granddaughters: Ashten, Masen, Piper

Interests: Bible Studies, playing with granddaughters, volunteer work with hubby

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: The more I study God's word, the more I realize how very much I need Him. Growing up as a teenager and young adult was rocky, to say the least. I am so thankful I did not continue in that lifestyle. Today I want to live a Christ-like life for all people in my life...especially the beautiful granddaughters I have been blessed with. Keith and I are currently traveling, from time to time, with a ministry named SOWERS (Servants on Wheels Ever Ready); doing whatever that project needs within the scope of our abilities. We enjoy it very much and can be out from 1 month to 6 months at a time.

Diane Nelson Michie

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Occupation: Retired teacher

Family: Husband: Bill. 3 Sons: Billy, twins John and Joe. 5 Grandchildren.

Interests: Yoga, cooking, visiting grandchildren in Phoenix and Denver.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: My husband and I were both teachers. We spent our first year in Ainsworth, NE. My husband was drafted into the Army mid-year but was given a deferment until the end of the school year. I moved to Sidney, NE which was closer to my husband's family. I taught 3rd grade. After returning from the Army, my husband ran cattle with his father until a teaching job opened up in Sidney. I was a stay-at-home mom for 8 yrs. after twins were born. We've been in Sidney ever since. I have been retired since 2010 and taught for 30 years in 3rd grade-my favorite. We have enjoyed travel to Alaska-fishing.

Clifford (Keith) Nelson

Class of '66



Occupation: Home Depot Sales Associate

Family: Wife: Ginger Lee Nelson (1989), Son: Paul David Nelson (1993)

Interests: Leading worship with the guitar at Heritage of Faith Family Church, Gilbert, AZ.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Graduated from UNO, Omaha, NE, in 1975 with a BA in Music Education, Oboe being my primary instrument in Orchestra and Band. Moved to Tucson, AZ in 1976. Received a MA in Music Theory from the University of Arizona in 1983. I taught music for 5 years along with private guitar lessons in Nebraska, Arizona, and Oregon. Left teaching in 1985. Became a Christian in 1977, which has been the most important decision in my life. To have Jesus as my Savior, to know my Heavenly Father as Abba Father, and to have the Holy Spirit as my Companion through life has been so very wonderful.

Joann Neu

Class of '66



Occupation: RN retired

Interests: Friends, family, quilting, knitting, crocheting, reading, auto travel

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: RN from Immanuel Hospital Sch of Nsg, BSN from Creighton Univ. Worked 40 years in hospital critical care areas both in Colorado and then back in Omaha, and 10 years in managed care with medical insurer. Retired one year ago and enjoying every day. Love being an aunt to my nieces, nephews and their children, and to several "borrowed" relatives. I keep busy with home and yard maintenance, church activities, and quilting projects. I can also find many excuses to go out for lunches, movies, or music/art programs with friends. Looking forward to a lot more of the same....retirement is great.

Candice Newell Booth

Class of '66



Occupation: I received my degree on Accounting

Family: My husband is Raymond. We have 2 children, 4 granddaughters and 3 great grands

Interests: I love baking, reading, and spending time with my family.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Ray and I have been together for 47 years. I owned my own accounting business for 40 years. The first 15 years were full time, then part time. My health moved us west, first to Las Vegas and then to San Diego. We spent 25 years in the San Diego area. We retired from there and moved back to Nebraska. We moved to Springfield near our children. I had a wonderful time at the 50th reunion catching up with old friends.

John Nolan

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired

Family: Daughter Wendy masters degree in hospital mgt, wife Jolene

Interests: Street rods, restore vintage toys, yard work

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Air force 1967 / 1971, Vietnam and Southeast Asia 1968 & 1969. Spent the rest of my service in Phoenix, Az. Worked as a MGR for Empire Crown in Omaha NE, 1971 to 1978. 1978 to 2009 Grote Industries as corporate trainer and troubleshooter. Traveled all of North America and have been in all 50 of the United States except Alaska. Still have almost 1 million frequent flyer miles.

Keith Nixon

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired

Family: Wife Sabina and 2 married daughters. We have 7 grandchildren

Interests: church-volleyball-sea cruises-photography

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: 4 years in the Navy as an Aviation Electronics Tech ATN2 (E-5) Married a gal from the Philippines. We've been married 51 years. I was launched and recovered from the deck of an aircraft carrier as a passenger several times. We have taken 9 cruises to the Caribbean, 1 Panama Canal ,1 Cruise tour to Alaska and one 28 day to South Pacific. Sabina goes back to the Philippines about every 3 years. I have played volleyball in the USA league, City leagues and Omaha Sports Club . I'm now in a city league with my youngest daughter. I worked as a Tech for Sears Repair for 32 years and retired in 2003

Judy Nolte Temple

Class of '66 jtemple@email.arizona.edu



Occupation: Semi-retired college professor

Family: Husband Rob (retired fire captain), two step-children, eight (!) grandchildren.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Moved to Tucson in 1981, where I've taught at U. of Arizona and still linger on to teach an occasional course. Have written two books and am at work on a third.

Melissanda (Melissa) Olson Prohaska

Class of '66



Occupation: teacher

Family: husband Tom, daughter Stephanie, 3 grandkids

Interests: reading, genealogy, gardening, helping grandkids

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: taught 33 years at Beveridge Middle School; retired in 2003

Eugene (Gene) Pace

Class of '66



John Packett

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired Chief of Police,

Family: Spouse: Susan, 2 daughters and 3 grandchildren.

Interests: Sports car road racing and vintage hot rods.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Four decade LE career in four communities. Just completed 7 year's managing security at the Zoo. "retirement " job is chairing the Douglas County LEPC.

James (Jim) Pennington

Class of '66



Occupation: Custom Home Builder

Family: Two daughters, four grandchildren, son-in-law

Interests: Team sports, football, baseball, limited golf. Hunting, travel (usa only)

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Spent 32 years on staff at Benson High, 6 years in the classroom, remainder in Administration. Worked extensively with the renovation of BHS, 1989-1991. Have been building homes under the name of CROWN, LTD. since 1974. Cut loose the dead weight in 1983 and became sole officer and director of Company. Got out of the horse business and moved into town 15 years ago. Still working full time, no immediate plans to retire. Thank you to those with suggestions to that effect.

Sandra Petersen Novotny

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired accountant

Family: I am married to Tony Novotny. I have one daughter and two grandchildren.

Interests: I enjoy exercising, long walks, traveling, and being with family.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I studied at UNO and worked for two prominent Omaha families, the Swanson Family of the Swanson Frozen Food Company and the Durham Family of HDR and the Durham Museum, etc. I then worked with my husband in his business of building custom homes for the last 20 years until we retired 6 years ago. We are now living in the last house we built. Life has been good!

Susan Petersen Robeson

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Occupation: retired

Family: Have been married for 43 yrs. I have two children, Jon age 36 and Whitney 33.

Interests: Riding my horse and enjoy traveling.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I was a flight attendant for American Airlines for 27 years before retiring. After I retired from flying, I owned a clothing business for 20 years. I had my first grandchild in March of this year.

Wanda Peterson Duff

Class of '66 wandaraed@yahoo.com



Occupation: Retired

Family: Two great sons, two terrific daughters-in-law, and two beautiful granddaughters.

Interests: Spending time with family, reading, knitting, swimming, and travel.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: After retiring from teaching with OPS (final ten years at Northwest High School), I lived in San Diego while working for an educational software company. Spending five years in Southern California was a wonderful experience, but the call of friends and family brought me back to the Midwest. I now live in Overland Park Kansas where my oldest son and his family reside and rarely get to Omaha although I do maintain contact with a great group of friends made during my teaching years.

Cynthia (Cindy) Pickard

Class of '66 arcadianlc@aol.com



Occupation: Retired Teacher

Interests: Travel, Genealogy, Sci-Fi Conventions, Ceramics, and Computers

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I've been living in Scottsdale, AZ since 1972. I worked at the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office for years as a radio dispatcher. I went back to school to become a teacher. I retired in 2006, but I continued teaching part time because I loved it. Cancer forced me to completely retire in 2017. I survived, and I've been in remission for over 3 years. Thanks to Pat (Case) Miller, I have been able to meet up with Bunnies that have come to the Phoenix area to visit. We get together for food, fun, and great conversations.



Jeanette Plath Reitzel

Class of '66



Occupation: Director of Aging/Supervisor of ADRC

Family: Married with 3 children and 8 grandchildren

Interests: Traveling, reading, knitting, spending time with our family

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Throughout my career I did a lot of work with individuals with Dementia and their caregivers. I administered the Long Term Care Programs, wrote grants, developed local resources and collaborated with other agencies to maintain area resources. After retirement I did research for a foundation in New York to help support caregivers.

Virginia Plessner Delance

Class of '66 vrdelance@gmail.com



Occupation: Retired

Family: Julie age 46, Spec Ed teacher. Lisa, age 40, prof of archeogy & anthropology

Interests: Swimming and crafts

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Married in 1970, Divorced in 1990. Received Masters degree in Human Resources in 1999, minored in Psychology. Worked 56 years and retired in May 2020 to Upland, California.

Anne Raab Travis

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Richard Ralston

Class of '66 ralston@afcm.org



Occupation: b

Robert Randall

Class of '66



Occupation: marines and electrical contractor

Family: wife

Joyce Rasmussen Stork

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired (flight attendant)

Family: Husband, Gerry and two sons Brent and Chad who live in Denver and 5 grandkids

Interests: Enjoy our two homes in CO and AZ, love to play tennis and pickleball

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I worked as a flight attendant for both Continental and United, and after 29 years took a retirement package last year, still enjoy travel and planning a safari to South Africa this fall. Besides enjoying our cool Colorado summers and Arizona winters, we enjoy seeing our grandchildren growing up all too quickly!

Robert (Bob) Reichwein

Class of '66 reichweinr@msn.com



Occupation: Retired

Family: Wife: Sharon (66) (53 yrs), 2 Daughters (BHS Graduates) and Families; 5 Grandchildren

Interests: Traveling, Family, Movies,

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Spent 18 years in the Nebraska National Guard as traditional Soldier (part time) while working in management at Hinky Dinky; then 22 years on active duty in the Army National Guard. Retired completely after 15 years as a Soldier and Family Readiness Specialist. As daughters were growing up spent time assisting in their high school and club swimming careers. Enjoyed coaching grandchildren's baseball and softball teams; ending with assisting grandson on club trap team. Enjoyed trips to Alaska, the Grand Canyon and cruises; been to every state except Hawaii. Married to Sharon Johnson (66)

Bernajeau Renner Porter

Class of '66



Occupation: Futurist -Digital Educator -Storyteller

Family: Married then NOT but always blessed with a tribe of spirited, life-long friends.

Interests: Adventure traveling, books, hiking, ATV riding, cooking, and media-making

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Bernajeau [berni] AKA author, professional speaker, futurist, media maker, star gazer, global trotter, virtual online instructor, activist aka trouble-maker, a forever educator and learner, renown as a digital storyteller, promoter of anything that increases joy, spirit and outrageous possibilities for kids and adults. Now presently living in my "Age of Delight", feeling ageless and indulging of whatever delights and inspires any work, play or adventures ahead. My personal life motto "Da Um Jeitinho" translates to "there is ALWAYS a way- let's make IT happen together." So it has been!

William Reynolds

Class of '66 bill_reyn@yahoo.com



Occupation: 24 yrs RR mktng/sales;15 yrs pvt ind Ret

Family: married 45 yrs to Sherilynn; 3 children, 4 grandchildren

Interests: reading, walking, Church family (all over the world).

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Our first child, Ben, went deaf from spinal meningitis at age 22 mos. He has just moved to Lincoln, NE to continue his work as a concert pianist.

Jeanne Robbins Harrington

Class of '66 jmrharrington@hotmail.com



Occupation: Retired Elem. Teacher; Univ. Professor

Family: Husband: Leo Harrington, sons Matt, and Mike (Renaë); one granddaughter

Interests: Genealogy, reading, travel, lifelong learner

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I taught elementary school for 14 years, then earned two advanced degrees. I retired in 2008 as an Assoc. Professor from the College of Education at UNO. My husband and I have been married since 1971. We have two wonderful sons who are 48 and 46, and our granddaughter Montana is now in her third year at UNL . In our travels, we visited England and Ireland in 2015. The countrysides were beautiful, but driving and navigating the roads was a real adventure. One U.S. trip we really enjoyed was visiting Maine. I loved all four of my years at Benson and have many happy memories !

Cheryl Roberts Knight

Class of '66 cherylk721@gmail.com



Occupation: Registered Nurse (retired)

Family: Married to Andy Knight. Children: Michelle Henderson & Drew. Three grandchildren

Interests: Reading, travel & spending time with family

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Attended University of Nebraska at Omaha.Moved from Omaha to Arizona in 1978. Lived in Phoenix and Tucson.Moved to Oklahoma City in 1980.Graduated from Oklahoma City Jr. College.Worked as medical/surgical and psychiatric nurse. Retired from OU Medical Center Geriatric/Psychiatric Unit in 2012.Currently living in Edmond, Oklahoma. Larry Olsen was our optometrist at one time. (small world).

Virginia Rovetto Devney

Class of '66 devneys@yahoo.com



Occupation: Retired

Family: I have 11 grandchildren--8 girls and 3 boys from ages 22yrs of age down to 5yrs

Interests: Sewing and volunteering

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Stay busy traveling to Florida and Texas.

Clark Rudeen

Class of '66



Occupation: Google Security site security manager

Family: Have three sons, Andy, John, and Sam.

Interests: I refinish and restore antiques. Never met an antique store I didn't love.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I tried to retire and that lasted all of 45 days. Just was not the right time for me yet. I'm still a full timer and enjoy every day in one of the most unusual corporate environments I have ever been associated with.

Jan Rundquist Exby

Class of '66 jan.exby@gmail.com



Occupation: Retired; Medical Programs Mktg Rep

Family: Married to Jim Exby since 1970. Three sons, five grandchildren

Interests: Emergency Preparedness, Genealogy, Alternative Health-Live in Overland Park KS

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Our membership and service in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints has been the most important guide for our family for 48 years. We have learned who we are, where we came from, and how much our Father in Heaven loves and wants to bless His children and have us return home. Knowing that our family is connected together in this life and as a family forever in the next life, is priceless. All other things fall into place knowing this. We love Heavenly Father and His Son Jesus Christ, and are grateful for our family and our many forever friends.

Catherine Samla Swedberg

Class of '66



Occupation: Worked for Western Electric, now retired

Family: Dennis Swedberg, (husband) Sarah Wayman, and Andrea Ryan, (daughters)

Interests: Gardening flowers, shopping for grandchildren, & eating lunch with friends

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Went to business school, had two different jobs, got married in 1981. Dennis and I had two daughters, Sarah and Andrea who are now nurses. In 2015 we now have two granddaughters, Aubrey Wayman and Adalyn Ryan. Both my parents are now deceased my dad in 1988 and my mom in 2005. I have lived in Omaha all my life and now live in Millard. Lost communication with all my friends from high school, made new friends from my workplace.

John Scarpa

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired Engineer (Boeing, Northrop)

Family: Married to Louise

Interests: International Travel, cooking, Astronomy, woodworking

Carol Schliffke van Ackeren

Class of '66 vanackeren@aol.com



Occupation: Clinical laboratory scientist- retired.

Family: Husband, Rick. 2 sons and 2 daughters. 10 grandchildren.

Interests: Reading, gardening, planning high school reunions, family.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I started my career at Nebraska Methodist Hospital and 43 years later retired from there. The changes and advancements that occurred in the field over that many years was amazing. The field evolved quickly and we were constantly learning new procedures and tests which kept things interesting. Omaha has been changing too and has been a great place to live. My marriage and my children have been my greatest joy. Rick and I have been very blessed. Our grandchildren have added to our happiness. They are fun and keep us young. We are enjoying retirement.

John Schrum

Class of '66



Carolyn Schreckenber Rich

Class of '66



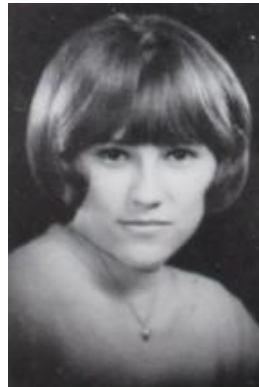
Occupation: Retired educator.

Family: Husband

Interests: Pottery making. Traveling.

Barbara Seifert

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired Teacher

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I taught mathematics at South High School from 1971 to 2003, retiring to help my mother who currently lives in an assisted living facility. Last year we celebrated her 101st birthday. She likes to tell people that the first 100 years were ok but the second 100 are the pits!!! While at SHS I also was an aide to the athletic director, attending many athletic events and keeping track of the hours worked by the many supervisors. I guess they thought that was a good job for the math teacher. I haven't any traveling since retiring but have a couple of trips in mind for the future.

Janet Sharer Claassen

Class of '66 jclaassen3@charter.net



Occupation: Retired

Family: Widowed; Elizabeth Claassen; David Claassen; Kat Davis; 2 grandsons

Interests: English hand bells, knitting, reading, seeing kids/grandsons, church choir

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Widowed 4 years. 3 wonderful, smart kids-one with a PhD in Statistics and one with an MD/PhD doing pediatric hematology/oncology at Iowa U. One in risk management. Being at the hospital within an hour of birth of first grandchild 12 yrs ago. Cruising to Alaska with Alan. 4 trips to Germany to visit exchange daughter and her family. Tears at Kitty Hawk looking at the patch of fabric from the 1st plane that flew to the moon. Span of time was so quick, and so is the span of our lives! Following Alan's death and selling house, I moved to Iowa City two years ago to be close to son and grandsons.

Walter (Bernie) Siebert

Class of '66



Occupation: attorney

Family: spouse: Janie Leiser, 3 children, 3 step children, total of 6 grandchildren,

Interests: golf, travel

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Attended undergraduate and law school at UNL. Practiced management side labor and employment law in Denver since 1972. Partner in Sherman & Howard LLC. Most memorable life experience, outside of my family, is my continuing relationship with my friend - Howard Johnson for well over 50 years.

David Sinderson

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired

Family: Wife: Vicki 4 blended children and 12 blended grandchildren

Interests: Love gardening, which is a challenge here in arid Co. Springs, sports & travelin

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: 2 years college at Omaha U. Drafted 2 years Army 5/69 to 5/71. Construction field since '72. Commercial glass estimator/project manager 1982 until retirement in 2015. Left Omaha in 1988 for Texas, then Kansas City, Lincoln, Kansas City again & then Colorado Springs since 1994. Retired May 2015 and Vicki retired in 2010.

Mark Sjogren

Class of '66



Melissa Smith Foster

Class of '66



Occupation: Teacher

Family: Tad & I have been married since 1976, and have a marvelous daughter, Piper.

Interests: Biking, hiking, gourmet cooking, traveling, and pursuing spirituality.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: After a rewarding teaching career, I retired in 2011. I'm involved with nonprofits in my community, & am currently a trustee with the Colorado Springs Youth Symphony. I'm dedicated to my church & my family, & love devoting time to both. Hiking, gardening, traveling & reading are among my interests. Tad & I are spending about half of our time in AK where our daughter & her family live. Our granddaughter is the real draw! Exploring the far reaches of AK has been fascinating. I'm proud to be part of the marvelous BHS class of '66. Bunnies forever!

Leonard Steeves

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired Commercial Consultant

Family: Two (2) sons; two (2) step-daughters; four (4) grandchildren

David (Dave) Stepat

Class of '66



Occupation: Insurance--Financial Services

Family: Daughter Elizabeth; Grandchildren Zachary and Anna

Interests: Astronomy; Cooking; Chicago sports

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: After getting an MBA from the University of Nebraska-Omaha, I lived and worked in Omaha, Minneapolis, Des Moines, and Chicago. I'm now happily retired and living in Chicago. I'm an active volunteer at the Adler Planetarium and occasionally teach at local colleges.

Donald Stirling

Class of '66 stirling@mwt.net



Occupation: carpenter, maple syrup maker

Family: Wife, Mary(43 yrs). Son, Peter, Dau. Johanna, Grandchildren Annika and Marina

Interests: Conservation, social justice, peace and community building

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Visit to Free Clinic and Restorative Justice promotion in Honduras 2001Habitat for Humanity Jimmy Carter Work Project South Africa 2002Catholic Relief Services visit to Ghana 2002Gandhian Pilgrimage to India 2009Black Taxi tour of former war zone in Belfast, Ireland 2010Surviving heart attack and bypass surgery 2011Training for 5 mile runs last 5 yearsElection to County Board 2016

Elton Swope

Class of '66



Occupation: Radiology Service Engineer (retired)

Family: Wife Michelle. Three daughters Nikki, Amy, Sarah. Six grandkids.

Interests: Sports cars, camping, reading.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Managed to survive almost three years in Nam. Married for 18 years. Divorced. My wife Michelle and I have been together almost 30 years. Enjoy our motorhome, fostering pets and Just kicking back.

Perry Thorndyke

Class of '66 pthorndyke@earthlink.net



Occupation: Software industry executive

Family: Wife: Bella Hayes-Roth. 3 children: Aaron (40), Nora (37:deceased), Nathan (30)

Interests: Tennis, gardening, cooking, literary novels, traveling, Italian language/culture

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: After a B.A. at Yale, I moved west for a Ph.D. in cognitive psychology/artificial intelligence at Stanford. I stayed in California, working in software industry management positions, retiring from full-time work in 2001. We raised three children, all residing nearby, and we have two young grandchildren. We enjoy world traveling (especially Italy), playing USTA tennis, growing vegetables/herbs and flowers, and gourmet cooking. We've enjoyed jumping down (scuba diving with sharks), climbing high (Grand Teton and Mt. Rainier), traveling to exotic places and cultures. Surviving pandemic well!

Betty Thompson Miller

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Occupation: Retired, former Sr. Manager

Family: Married 55 years to Jack Miller 3 daughters (one set of twins) and 2 grandsons

Interests: Volunteer with a Sheltie Rescue and spend time at the lake and wanting to travel

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: We moved around a bit since high school. Lived in Florida, Arizona, Indiana, Georgia, North Carolina and now Kentucky with our jobs. Went to college in my 30s at Indiana University. My entire career has been with computers (and I hate them, or maybe I should say they hate me) starting with computer operations, then programming, and ending up in management. Recently retired and doing some traveling with my husband, transporting and fostering rescue dogs and spending time at the lake.

Judith (Judy) Throop Nelson

Class of '66



Occupation: Former English teacher; mom; volunteer

Family: Married 46 years to John E. Nelson. 1 daughter and 2 sons, 7 grandchildren.

Interests: Our family, church, archiving family photos & history, Bible study, gardening

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I taught secondary English before marriage and children. We have been very active in our church. I have served as an Elder and Deacon, as well as teacher and group leader. John served 2 terms (term limited) in the Nebraska Legislature. He was appointed Lt. Gov. in 2014 for the final 101 days of the term. I thoroughly enjoyed meeting people from all over NE. We spend vacation times in Minnesota, but also love the Sandhills and western NE. Our children all graduated from Central High, where we served as Co-Pres. of PEP (Parents Educators Pupils). John continues to practice law.

Terry Tomasek

Class of '66



Occupation: Industrial Hygienist, Retired, loving it

Family: Wife, Patty Muntz '66, Son, John, Engineer; Daughter, Heather, Landscape Arch.

Interests: Street Rods 33 Cabriolet & 34 3w Coupe and fixing anything broken

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: After returning from Vietnam, graduated from UNO with degree in Chemistry; Worked at OSHA, VA, and Corps of Engineers 37 years - traveled to all 50 states overseeing hazardous waste cleanups. Enjoys playing in the Man Cave every day and now building '56 Ford F100 pickup. Enjoy hunting, boating, skiing and vacationing on the lakes with the family. You know you married the right one when the Man Cave is bigger than the house.

Kerry Trotter

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired

Family: Wife Rhonda, son Jeremy, daughter Julie. Four grand children

Interests: Woodworking, sports and jigsaw puzzles

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Worked several parts position auto, industrial and farm related also 8 years for a veterinarian, small and large animal. My children were active in sports and 4h raised dairy goats for that. We do alot of chasing grandkids around with their different sports and activities.

Lorraine Townsend Lammers

Class of '66



Occupation: Hairdresser – Mother & Grammy

Family: Husband Gary (CHS 62), married for 52 years, with 4 wonderful children, one girl

Interests: Traveling with our senior group, crafting for local children's hospital Terrific

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: After graduation from Benson I worked at Mutual of Omaha and became a licensed cosmetology. My husband and I were in a serious head on car accident on our second night of marriage while traveling to our new home in Dayton OH. I enjoyed the classes I took in art and home interior design at the local college. I worked for a few years as a hairdresser at Wright-Patterson AFB and other shops around the area. I took time off and had fun raising our four children all of whom have college degrees. Plus, two are military veterans and are now retired. However, we were able to visit them traveling

Robert (Bob) Tupper

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired since 2016

Family: Married, 3 children, 8 grandkids

Interests: Grandkids, still enjoy physical activities but pandemic has limited swimming etc

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Just when I thought I had retirement figured out the pandemic turns things upside down! One highlight that felt the most normal was watching our granddaughter's cross-country meets this past fall. Also, just after BHS 50th Reunion I traveled the Oregon Trail with daughter and 2 grandsons in a covered Subaru, ha! I still feel blessed in many ways - among them are the great teachers, coaches and friends at BHS!

Tim Turner

Class of '66 tree48@yahoo.com



Occupation: Retired

Family: Wife: Elizabeth (Christensen), one daughter Jennifer, six grandchildren

Interests: Golf, St. Mary Church co-chairs of capital campaign, traveling

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Worked 19 years for the National Trust for Historic Preservation (1976-1995) including 15 years as Midwest Regional Director in Chicago. Last 15 years working in fund raising for Catholic high schools in Chicagoland. Scandinavian tour in the summer of 1991 was very exciting. Enjoy two weeks each summer in Minocqua, WI. First Chair of the Riverside Preservation Commission 1997-1999, Chair of two strategic planning committees for St. Mary parish in Riverside that led to two capital campaigns. Enjoy visiting our daughter and her husband, a career U.S. Navy officer wherever they are!

Kathryn (Kathy) Turnquist Goodall

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired Teacher, Substitute Teacher

Family: Alyson Goodall & Eddie. Chris Goodall & Effie. 3 grandsons: Calvin, Holden, Theo

Interests: Maximizing this stage of life. Travel, friendships, electing 1st woman president

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Parenting two fabulous children. Being privileged to be able to spend time with my grandsons. College years at Midland were so fun. I love the many trips I've taken to Paris, Western European countries, Belize, many places in the U.S, and especially Tanzania. Also memorable was living in San Fransisco for a few years. The times I have been on, at, or near any ocean have created memories that are soul soothing. Similarly, making new friends and nurturing longtime friendships enhances my life. Right, Cindy and Jean? That's it so far.

Pamela (Pam) Urbach Gillaspie

Class of '66



Occupation: APRN

Family: husband Tom 2 kids trev and megan and 3 grands Ivy, Tanner and Tamara

Interests: playing bridge, church activities, and visiting the grands in phoenix

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Tom and I were married 51 years . Planned to go to Maui last year in April and October which of course didn't happen! We are planning to go this august . If that doesn't work we give up! We drove to Phoenix in October to see the kids. Hit every form of bad weather on the way home so doubt we will do that again. ivy is in school and has been most of the year. She is knee deep in volleyball and she and Megan are beginning to travel. Tanner and Tamara have been on line until 2 weeks ago. It has been a hard year for all of them ! Hopefully things will get better now! Oh and we moved!

Paul Vecchio

Class of '66



Connie Villone Jessen

Class of '66



Occupation: LPN/CPR instructor/retired

Family: Husband-David, 4 children, 7 grandchildren, 1 great.grand child

Interests: Traveling, sewing, most important being around family

Walter Vosicka

Class of '66



Occupation: Co owner of WoggWorks Kayaking

Family: Three guys-Justin, Jared and Derek Six Grandchildren - 3 girls/3 boys

Interests: Kayaking (our business), kayak design and building, kayak distance race

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Presbyterian pastor working part time with a small church in Carter Lake Worker/Pastor - worked @ McDonnell Douglas in prototype construction Designed packaging concepts for a NASCAR diecast company Designed and showed an electric dragster concept at SEMA-Las Vegas Designed and presented a handicap house boat concept at IBEX-Louisville Hold six design patents for personal use items Married to Chris (Scheumann) BHS 68' Forget retirement!

James (Jim) Walkenhorst

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired

Family: Wife Julie, 50th Anniv. 2021, two daughters & son in laws, 4 grand kids 12 - 18

Interests: Golf, traveling, volunteer activities, Knights of Columbus 4th Degree PGN/PFN

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Graduated UNO-BS Criminal Justice in 1971, I worked for State of NE as a District Parole Officer for 8 years. I then decided to change careers and went to work for Gerber (Baby Food Co). I worked for them for 20 yrs, in various sales & management positions. With Gerber we lived in NE, WA, CA, MI & IL. My job was eliminated and I went to work for Central Garden & Pet - Director of Sales. I retired after 13 1/2 yrs in Mar 2013. My wife and I enjoy living near our daughters and their husbands and 4 grand kids. We enjoy watching them participate in their school, sports and church activities.

Charles (Chip) Warren

Class of '66 warren16@gpcom.net



Occupation: Mechanical engineer (Retired)

Family: Married to Jean (Christiansen) Warren. Two sons: Jeffrey and Daniel.

Interests: Friends, family, golf, bluegrass banjo.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Born in Ames, Iowa, while my Father was attending Iowa State University on the GI Bill. Raised in Omaha Nebraska. Graduated from UNL in 1971 with BS in mechanical engineering. Was employed at HDR for 37 and worked mainly on designing mechanical systems for Hospital projects all over the country . Have been married for 41 years. Moved to a house located on a sandpit lake near North Bend Nebraska in 2012. Retired from HDR IN 2013 and am enjoying life.

John Watson

Class of '66



Occupation: retired bricklayer

Family: divorced one real son and one adopted son and one older brother

Interests: gardening old cars and motorcycles

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I worked as a brick layer & then would retire for a while before i was 45. i enjoyed riding my motorcycle and working on my old cars.

Steven Weidenhammer

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired Civil Engineer

Family: Spouse Janis Norton - CHS '66. Combined 4 daughters - Jody, Molly, Nina, Jamie

Interests: Enjoy brewing beer, golfing, golf club making, hiking, biking, traveling, music

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Had a fulfilling 42-year career as a Materials Engineer for several consulting firms. That included 8.5 years in Las Vegas. Throughout the years managed crews on some high profile projects providing testing and inspection services. Sadly, my first marriage to Joy Roberts - BHS '68 ended when she passed away at the age of 46. Am remarried to a most wonderful woman and we are both retired. We relocated to Tucson in 2014 right after retirement. We really like the Southwest. We do like to return to Omaha to visit old friends. Had a satisfying professional career but really enjoy being retired.

Raymond Weinberg

Class of '66 rsweinberg@cox.net



Occupation: Human Resource Research (Semi-Retired)

Family: Wife - Sandi, Daughter Michelle & Sean Heim, grandchildren, Austin and McKenna

Interests: Bicycling, Fly fishing, Girls / Women's basketball, Cooking, Genealogy

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Taught over 2,000 students over the last 35 years. Mentored numerous human resource professionals over the years. Active in many civic organizations over the years. Was a organizer of the Bicycle Ride Across Nebraska (BRAN) for 34 years traveling through all 93 counties in the state.

Kathleen (Kathy) Weiss Kurtz

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired banker

Family: My husband has a vocal degree from UNO, we have 2 sons Jim iv and Thomas.

Interests: Jim is retired from UPRR and we like to travel New York, Alaska. Church work.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Worked for Raders Office Supply and left Omaha in 1989 to Pocatello ID. That's where I got into banking. Worked for US Bank, Key Bank. We loved the mountains. In 1997 we had to move to Texas where I worked for Capital One Bank. Jim iv lives in Idaho and Thomas moved with us back to Omaha in 2013. We are very active with our church doing all kinds of volunteer work. We like spending winters in Phoenix where my sister lives. We love being back in Omaha with lots of friends and family.

Donald (Don) Westbrook

Class of '66 husker77@gmail.com



Occupation: Retired from Air Force and from Boeing

Family: Wife, Susan; 2 daughters in CO; Navy son in FL; Army son in VA; 9 grandkids.

Interests: Travel to kids and grandkids. Game, hotdog, beer at all MLB ballparks(25 so far)

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Graduated from USAFA/started AF career in 1970. Pilot training in TX, then flew F-111s. Combat deployment to SE Asia 72-73. Other F-111 assignments in NV, ID, and UK (owned house in UK built c1650). Non-flying assignments to AL, USAFA CO, SHAPE in Belgium, and WA. Married Susy, a WA girl (way smarter, funnier, nicer than me). After AF career settled in Seattle area and worked for Boeing developing pilot courseware and simulators for F-22. We recently became snowbirds, buying a house in Gulf Breeze FL to be close to son, Jimmy and family. Jimmy will retire from Navy soon and has settled there

Larry Whitmore

Class of '66 lgwhitmore@att.net



Occupation: Retired 2002

Family: Susan, my bride of 52 years.

Interests: Golf & old cars ('32 Ford, '56 Bel Air, '95 Vette,) & my scooter ('96 Harley)

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: After graduating U of N we moved a number of times with Traveler Ins. from Omaha to Little Rock to Dallas to Louisville KY to San Antonio and now in Charlotte NC. Susan and I lived on acreages in four different states, building four new homes with stables as we raised Arabian horses for 20+ years. I was "lucky" and was able to retire at age 55, was Pres. of a country club for 11 years now golf 3-4 times a week, and enjoy crusin'. No longer having horses we are city dwellers and enjoying life to its fullest. We still be kickin', just not as high.

Cheryl Westergaard King

Class of '66 clking1154@aol.com



Occupation: Retired flight attendant

Interests: Vice President of clipped wings. Volunteer at human society.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Flew for united air lines for 43 years , have lived in Bay Area since 1973 have 2 mutts and lots of fabulous friends

Joyce Widtfeldt Goranson

Class of '66 mnmama48@gmail.com



Occupation: Independent Ambassador-Plexus Worldwide

Family: We have been blessed with 9 children and 20 grandchildren in our 46 yr. marriage

Interests: Bake Organic Breads and Sew Spa Pillows to sell weekly @ Farmer's Market

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Early in my life I was impacted by unique people whose lives encouraged mine: Billy Graham for salvation, a young man in Bible college whom I married, men and women on the radio who taught the biblical view of parenting and child-rearing, parents and grandparents who prayed for us, and a friend who came over to teach me how to bake bread when I knew so little. A woman on Paul Harvey shared about homeschooling in a day when few did it. Today my husband, Steve, and I enjoy encouraging our family and others to walk in Christ's love, grace, and forgiveness. Favorite verse: I Thessalonians 5:11

Glory Wilbur Huckabee

Class of '66 gloryhome@comcast.net



Occupation: Nutrition Consultant

Family: Husband, Niles Huckabee retired, volunteer Senior Peer Counselor

Interests: Nutrition, Gardening, piano (when there is time), reading

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Occupation: Retail store owner, nutrition consultant Interests: cooking, gardening, reading nutrition books and cookbooks Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: BA from Arizona State University in Elementary Education. Owned a retail store for 21 years. Sold the business. It was a lot of fun. worked for Boy Scouts of America for 7 years. Enjoyed working with families, both parents and children. Followed my passion and certified as a Nutrition Consultant from Bauman College in Boulder, CO. Retired from that work.

Richard Wilkes

Class of '66



Janet Williams Novak

Class of '66



Occupation: housewife

Family: 1 son 3 grandchildren

Interests: computer, reading

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: none

Dean Winans

Class of '66



Occupation: automotive technician(mechanic)

Family: never married (not gay). Living with my best friend Ann for thirty years.

Interests: golf, scuba diving, actually work is still fun and challenging, won't retire!

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: USMC 68-69 Bachelor of Arts UNO, Two fake hips and a knee, same brain. Diving has taken me to a lot of interesting places, Palau being my favorite! Found out that I'm 2.8 percent Neanderthal. Cheryl (Mike) could we talk?

Larry Windsor

Class of '66 larrywindsor@sbcglobal.net



Occupation: Writer/Ad-PR Consultant

Family: Wife: Sarah

Interests: Avid Golfer, sports fan and home chef

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Graduated from Hastings College in 1970 with degree in journalism. Served eight years in the US Army Reserve. Moved to California in 1972. My most fun and exciting career moments were in sports marketing in the SF Bay Area when I worked for the National Hockey League promoting pre-season games, Team USA Hockey, Golden State Warriors, 49er wide receiver Freddie Solomon and Players West Golf Tour. Moved to northern Nevada in 1991 where I have worked as golf and sports writer for the Carson City daily newspaper, published a regional golf magazine and as communications director for golf tourism.

Lee Woolery

Class of '66 leegretch@hotmail.com



Occupation: Retired Lutheran Pastor

Family: Widowed; married for 47 years. 4 married daughters, 10 grandchildren

Interests: Running: 13 marathons and a number of half marathons, 10 K's, etc.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I've had the great joy of being a Lutheran pastor for 43 years in North Dakota, Alberta and Saskatchewan. Graduated from seminary in St. Louis in 1974. Moved to Canada in 1979. I've participated in a study tour of Israel five times and been involved with mission trips to Brazil and Mexico. A highlight for me was to have 16 of our family members run various races (mini-marathon, 10K, 5K) on the same day. I'm currently taking a two year course on Spiritual Direction with the possibility of becoming a Spiritual Director.

Cathy Wohlers Grage

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired - Curriculum Development

Family: Husband - Terry. Children: Matthew, Amanda, Patrick, Sara. 3 Granddaughters

Interests: Church, community volunteerism, reading, travel

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Graduated from UNL in 1970. Taught elementary education for 3 years; however, my focus has mainly been on adult education. (25 years). Lived most of my life in Omaha, with the exception of a few years in Santa Monica, CA and Tucson, AZ. Recently purchased a winter home in North Port, FL

Jane Workhoven

Class of '66 1withthewolf@inbox.com



Occupation: Retired: Repair Manager @ Jewelry Stores

Family: Married to Kurt Kalas. Two sons, Geoff and Carl Strayer

Interests: Family, Interfaith work through church, reading, playing with two rescue dogs.

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Lived for 3 years in Belgium, where Geoff was born. Traveled to Berlin on a Russian troop train, several trips to the Netherlands, and a trip to London and saw and touched the actual Stone Henge. Have lived in several states. I am learning Dutch. Have been active with social justice groups through church and other venues. Before COVID we went to many wonderful small venue concerts. Also frequented a small local theatre group. Hope to be able to continue those activities after life gets more normal. My health is not great, but I do the best I can to get around. Still an avid reader.

Frank Yelick

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired VP-Controller Peter Kiewit Sons

Family: Wife Patti, 50 years, sons Scott(Leslie), Chris(Kim), Dan and 4 grandchildren

Interests: Travel, golf, grandchildren sports and activities

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: Lifelong Omaha resident. Business and personal travel took me to nearly all states, Canada, Mexico, and 15 European Countries. Most memorable experience was touring palaces, churches and museums in St. Petersburg, Russia. Rome and London are close behind.

Micki York Tilton

Class of '66

Occupation: semi-retired/

Family: widowed I have 4 children 6 grandchildren Life is great with grandchildren...

Interests: Old Cars, Fishing, Giants Baseball, Dinner with friends and a glass of wine

Biography / Memorable Life Experiences: I have lived in Nevada since 1973 , I visit Nebraska every few years and still have wonderful lifetime friends there. Have traveled some and hope to go new places..I will retire in December (I think) and will begin another part of life.....

Cheryl Zerzan Cashen

Class of '66



Occupation: Retired

Family: 1 wonderful husband, 1 beautiful daughter, 2 precious grandsons

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**Timothy Aken
2007**



**Gail Allen
2018**



**Scott Allen
2012**



**Marsha Anker
1983**



Gerald Babcock



**Sandy Barnes
2021**

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**Tomas
Bastemeyer**



**Frank Battaglia
2001**



**Carrie Beach
1998**



**Reece Bedell
2004**



**Anne Benson
2020**



**Loren Bird
2016**

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Benson High School - Class of 1966



**Joan Blakeman
2015**



Gary Boham



**Cathy Bolin
1994**



**Patrick Bostwick
2016**



**Phillip Bowen
2005**



**William Branch
2010**

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Benson High School - Class of 1966



**William Bridgmon
2016**



Ronald Brown



**Russel Burford
2012**



Tom Bush



**Robert Butterfield
2017**



James Callahan

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**Beverly Carlson
2017**



**Sherry Carlson
2004**



Robert Charles



**Linn Christensen
2017**



**William Collins
2019**



**Charles Cook
2015**

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Benson High School - Class of 1966



**Stephanie Cook
2010**



**Mitchell Cramer
2017**



**Timothy Curtis
2001**



**David Dahlbeck
2002**



**Danolyn
Davidson
2017**



**Robert
Demalignon
1998**

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**Sandra Dickerson
2004**



**Virginia Diehl
2010**



**Candace Dooley
2020**



Richard Eledge



**James Exby
2021**



**Kathren Ferguson
2015**

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Benson High School - Class of 1966



**Jay Finlayson
2011**



**James Flitton
2011**



**Michelle Foltz
2019**



Richard Foster



Lawrence Gabig



Michael George

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Benson High School - Class of 1966



Jerry Glaser



**Myra Glasgow
2018**



**Terry Goodkind
2020**



**Neal Green
2016**



**Wendell
Hakanson
2010**



**Jacquie Haney
2006**

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**Stephen Hansen
2017**



Warren Hastings



Robert Helgeson



**Monica Hofeldt
2005**



Timothy Holcomb



David Howard

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**Jean Irey
2020**



**Lynette Jacobsen
2021**



Patrick Janky



**Steven Joens
2018**



**Pamela Johnson
1977**



**Roger Jones
2021**

In Memoriam

Benson High School - Class of 1966



**Elizabeth Keicher
1966**



Linda Knag



**Paul Lapuzza
2021**



**Sheila Larsen
2008**



**Susan Lassett
2014**



John Laughlin

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Benson High School - Class of 1966



**Roger Lee
2016**



**Steve Lieb
2020**



Carol Light



**Dean Lindsay
2016**



**Sieg Malesa
2014**



**Charles Malstead
1983**

In Memoriam

Benson High School - Class of 1966



**Kristine
Martinson
2016**



**Susan McConnell
2021**



Douglas McVey



Sheila Miller



Tom Mimms



Pamela Morris

In Memoriam

Benson High School - Class of 1966



**Patty Muntz
2019**



**Linda Nelson
1992**



**Timothy Ohm
2020**



**James Olander
1997**



**Dennis Olsen
2006**



**Joyce Olson
2006**

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**Ellen Parr
1999**



**Anne Patow
2004**



Arthur Patow



David Patsone



**Robert Pederson
2020**



**Barbara Peters
1993**

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Benson High School - Class of 1966



**James Plumb
1985**



**Clinton Potter
2017**



**Louis Pratt
2021**



**John Queen
2018**



Donna Redding



**Warren Rippey
2020**

In Memoriam

Benson High School - Class of 1966



**James Roddy
1986**



Donald Rudiger



Sharon Saltzgeber



**Roger Shepherd
1976**



Ronald Shepherd



**Nina Shirley
2020**

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Benson High School - Class of 1966



**Vickie Shives
2002**



**Larry Sipprell
2008**



Mary Smith



**Victor Smith
2001**



**Jim Stevens
2009**



**Susan Stone
2019**

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Benson High School - Class of 1966



Larry Stouder



**Rick Stratton
2020**



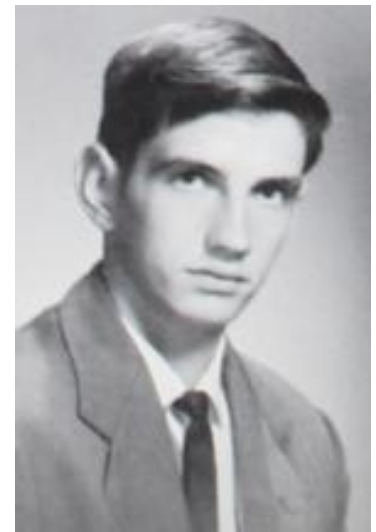
**Sharon Sumner
2012**



**Roger Sutton
2017**



Tom Talbitzer



**Leo Tegels
2020**

In Memoriam

Benson High School - Class of 1966



Gary Tevis



Clyde Thinnes



**Gary Thompson
2001**



**James Vankat
2012**



**Marc Vanstrom
2005**



**Chuck Vestal
2021**

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Benson High School - Class of 1966



**Gary Volk
2018**



**Trudy Vonrentzell
1999**



Pamela Voss



**Daniel Whitehill
2016**



**Diana Wickherst
2007**



Terry Woodworth

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Arletta Zabel
2020

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Marsha Anker - 1983	Gerald Babcock	Sandy Barnes - 2021
Tomas Bastemeyer	Frank Battaglia - 2001	Carrie Beach - 1998
Reece Bedell - 2004	Anne Benson - 2020	Loren Bird - 2016
Joan Blakeman - 2015	Gary Boham	Cathy Bolin - 1994
Patrick Bostwick - 2016	Phillip Bowen - 2005	William Branch - 2010
William Bridgmon - 2016	Ronald Brown	Russel Burford - 2012
Tom Bush	Robert Butterfield - 2017	James Callahan
Beverly Carlson - 2017	Sherry Carlson - 2004	Robert Charles
Linn Christensen - 2017	William Collins - 2019	Charles Cook - 2015
Stephanie Cook - 2010	Mitchell Cramer - 2017	Timothy Curtis - 2001
David Dahlbeck - 2002	Danolyn Davidson - 2017	Robert Demalignon - 1998
Sandra Dickerson - 2004	Virginia Diehl - 2010	Candace Dooley - 2020
Richard Eledge	James Exby - 2021	Kathren Ferguson - 2015
Jay Finlayson - 2011	James Flitton - 2011	Michelle Foltz - 2019
Richard Foster	Lawrence Gabig	Michael George
Jerry Glaser	Myra Glasgow - 2018	Terry Goodkind - 2020
Neal Green - 2016	Wendell Hakanson - 2010	Jacquie Haney - 2006
Stephen Hansen - 2017	Warren Hastings	Robert Helgeson
Monica Hofeldt - 2005	Timothy Holcomb	David Howard
Jean Irey - 2020	Lynette Jacobsen - 2021	Patrick Janky
Steven Joens - 2018	Pamela Johnson - 1977	Roger Jones - 2021
Elizabeth Keicher - 1966	Linda Knag	Paul Lapuzza - 2021
Sheila Larsen - 2008	Susan Lassett - 2014	John Laughlin
Roger Lee - 2016	Steve Lieb - 2020	Carol Light
Dean Lindsay - 2016	Sieg Malesa - 2014	Charles Malstead - 1983
Kristine Martinson - 2016	Susan McConnell - 2021	Douglas McVey
Sheila Miller	Tom Mimms	Pamela Morris
Patty Muntz - 2019	Linda Nelson - 1992	Timothy Ohm - 2020
James Olander - 1997	Dennis Olsen - 2006	Joyce Olson - 2006
Ellen Parr - 1999	Anne Patow - 2004	Arthur Patow
David Patsone	Robert Pederson - 2020	Barbara Peters - 1993
James Plumb - 1985	Clinton Potter - 2017	Louis Pratt - 2021
John Queen - 2018	Donna Redding	Warren Rippey - 2020
James Roddy - 1986	Donald Rudiger	Sharon Saltzgeber
Roger Shepherd - 1976	Ronald Shepherd	Nina Shirley - 2020

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Vickie Shives - 2002

Victor Smith - 2001

Larry Stouder

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James Vankat - 2012

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Mary Smith

Susan Stone - 2019

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Leo Tegels - 2020

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