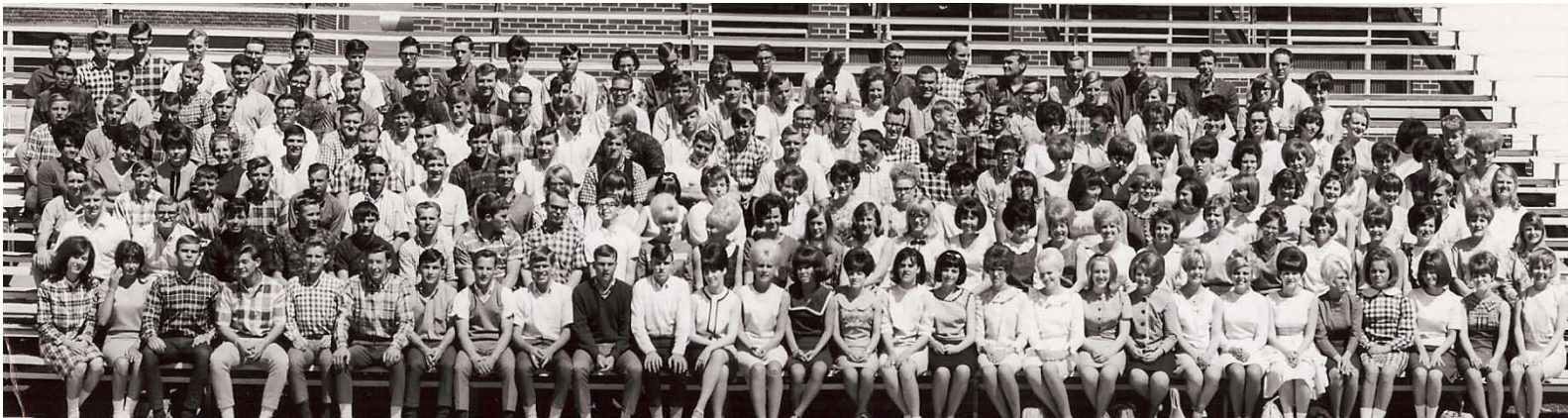


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We are planning to keep the Class of 1966 website ([www.bearriver66.com](http://www.bearriver66.com)) up and running until the next reunion. Visit it often to see what your classmates are doing and to post your important events. Please encourage classmates who have not yet joined the website to do so. Unfortunately we are missing current addresses, email addresses and phone numbers for several of our classmates, and we were unable to notify them of our reunion. If you have updated information about any classmates, please go to the Contact Us tab on the website and send the webmaster that information or email [susanneshuler@qwest.net](mailto:susanneshuler@qwest.net).



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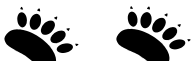
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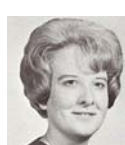
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**Abbott (Thompson), Dianne**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ I have many memories of great friends and good times. The highlight of my memories was bringing my boyfriend Ed to school for a week. Because he was student body president at his high school and because the principal of Bear River was my uncle he got to attend all my classes and also student body meetings. Unfortunately that relationship had a very sad ending as he was killed in a motorcycle accident while attending California Institute of Technology.

**Activities since high school** ~ After graduating from Utah State in Chemistry and Medical Technology and interning at LDS Hospital in Salt Lake City, I lived in Logan, Hyrum, 6 years, Paradise, Utah, 12 years, then moved to Reno, Nevada, 17 years, then returned to Utah and lived in Eagle Mountain for 6 years.

During those years I worked as a Medical Technologist for Budge Clinic and Utah State University, a claims examiner for Blue Cross Blue Shield, and an administrative assistant for a clinical psychologist's office. I've taught Family History for 15 years. I think the most exciting thing that has happened besides my wonderful children is finding my natural family. After my mother passed away in 2006, my brother Jed and I decided to see if we had any natural relations living. After petitioning the Children's Service Society to open the records we found our mother had passed away but we had a sister living in Heber. We contacted her and she knew of another brother living in New Mexico and also a brother who had passed away. Our records also showed the birth of another child and for several years we looked for a sister and then found another brother born on the date we'd been given. We've met them all and have an amazing connection. It's been so wonderful for me to have found my sister. We are very close and have a lot to make up for the many years we have lost. It's quite enlightening to have the past that you've never known. I have so much closure now that I know who my mother is and have seen pictures of my grandparents and great grandparents. We still don't know who our father is but we're still searching. Our mother kept the oldest and the youngest and adopted the other 4 of us out.

**Abernathy, Ron**



**Adams, Stephen**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Bussing tables in the Pie Dump at lunch time. I was willing to do what ever it would take so as to have a donut and drink to start the day, a full plate for lunch, and the knowledge that I didn't have to eat in the Cafeteria. After food, fun had to come next. Being a member of the Swimming Team didn't hit the list of top 10 of note worthy things to do to get noticed by the girls, but was my most successful class at school. I received straight A's from Coach Simmons and was legally released from other less fulfilling studies on meet days. Besides the Sky View Coach's daughter would parade around the deck of their pool in her little two piece, which was unheard of at our pool. (Maybe that was in part to the fact that our pool only had a six inch wide deck. I really enjoyed the evenings after school with Boyd Hunsaker. He and I would get together in the basement of the old Junior High School and make all the posters for the upcoming activities and sports events. Boyd was the better artist I must admit, and definitely the guy to have on your side after the Ogden Basketball Games. Didn't Farrell Williams really start all of those fights?

**Activities since high school** ~ Meeting Marsha and courting her has been the best memory of my life. I find all worthwhile memories that I have involve my family. I cannot come up with memorable times that may make this worth reading, but to date I have not spent any time in jail since Halloween night of 1965.

**Adams (Payne), Shauna**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Debate trips with John Oyler & John Garfield, Choir, Cheerleading, going to the dances & games, and all the great friendships.

**Activities since high school** ~ Raising 3 sons. Medical Assistant. Returned to college and earned Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education and Masters Degree. Have been teaching school for the past 25 years and hope to retire in a year and a half. We bought a house in St. George, Utah 5 years ago and hope to enjoy spending the winters there. We love to travel and plan to do more!

**Anderson, Gary**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Graduation

**Activities since high school** ~ 45 yrs of working. Marriage, raising children. 10 grandchildren. Some of whom are making me nervous. 17 yr old grandson is not a problem. Two 15 yr old granddaughters, too cute and boy crazy. Life has had the ups and downs that I believe are quite normal. Still enjoy going to work. A lot of people say I am a workaholic. Probably so. Retirement scares me.



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### ***Anderson, Hal***

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Making and associating with many good friends.

**Activities since high school** ~ I attended Utah State University, served an Eastern States Mission headquarter in NYC, NY, continued studying at the University of Utah, was married to Brooke Rampton from Kaysville in 1974 and received an Army commission in 1976. We welcomed a daughter, Shay, in 1978, twins, a daughter Lauren and a son Ike, in 1980, and a son Cole in 1985. Our daughters are our married children. They have blessed us with six grandchildren: Sadie, Ella, Truman, identical twin girls, Lila and Jane and most recently Weston. (Our sons are somewhat late-bloomers as I have been). I obtained a real estate license in 1973 and have been vocationally engaged in real estate and securities.... brokering in Utah and Idaho since the late 70's. I've also been hands-on active in a farm-ranch operation in southern Idaho. I sold most of the farm-ranch operation after being diagnosed with cancer in 2002; following biopsy analysis, the good folks at the Huntsman Cancer Institute declared [editor's note: for the ending, please ask Hal. It was cut off.]

### ***Anderson (Berchtold), LaGay***

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Gotta think about this one and come back. I'm back. I guess my favorite memory is the Junior Prom. The reason? I will characterize it as a night when we each shined individually.

**Activities since high school** ~ Where to start. I got married in 1966 (so I've been married for 45 years) and immediately went to England where Chuck was stationed at RAF Wethersfield. We were there for three years and came home in April of 1969. It was kind of like starting all over again. I worked at the Peach City Ice Cream drive-in for awhile, then went to Hamilton Drug. I was at Hamilton's and the Red Baron Restaurant for some years and then went to Intermountain Indian School. While there I got pregnant and quit to be a stay-at-home mom. While raising Trinity (our daughter) I did day care for a few relatives so Trinity wouldn't be alone. It was win, win for everyone. About the time Trinity was born, Chuck got on at Hill AFB. Through Trinity's school years we had motorcycles, snowmobiles and boats. Then we bought a travel trailer and got the bug. All the other toys went away over time and we practically lived in the travel trailer during the summer. While Trinity was in high school she got into weight lifting. Chuck, Trinity and I started going to one of the local gyms and we got hooked. Chuck and I have been going four nights a week for about eighteen or nineteen years, now. I am also a personal trainer for our gym. After Trinity graduated, Chuck and I started traveling some as time permitted. Chuck had a job at Hill where he traveled a lot and I would go with him on occasion. It was fun and it kind of reminded me of our time in the Air Force. Chuck retired in 2002 and the traveling went on until our grandson, Tate, was born in February of 2007. We have been watching him since he was two weeks old so Trinity could go back to school and so both her and her husband could work. Tate has been a joy and we want to take advantage of our time with him. He's growing up fast and will have other interests as time goes on, and we ain't getting' any younger. When Tate starts school, we will travel again as long as health permits and we are safe (not a danger to other people) on the highways.

### ***Anderson, Mart***

**Activities since high school** ~ Working, hunting, fishing, summer home at Island Park, Idaho. Three children (2 girls and 1 boy). Five grandchildren (4 boys and 1 girl).

### ***Ballard, Brent***

**Favorite high school memory** ~ I remember Coach Simmons and the many ideals he taught us. Always using number one to hike the football because one of the lineman could not remember to wait for hut two. Beating Box Elder in Football.



### ***Ballard (Moon), Roberta "Bobbye"***

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Junior Year, Harvest Ball. Phil Southwick, Steve Adams and I went looking for leaves in Phil's dad newly painted truck. We got some really pretty leaves, we also got scratches in the new paint. . .sorry about that Phil.

**Activities since high school** ~Somewhere along the line I think I missed most of the 70's. I keep seeing the 'Songs of the 70's' on Late Nite TV, and I don't remember. During the 80's I got divorced and concentrated on my boys and work. During the 90's I just worked, and now I'm enjoying the Grandchildren, I have 2 little girls, loving my job most days, and kicking back. Been doing some fundraising for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, going gambling with my Mom and friends. You would really get a treat out of my Mom, she has a four wheeler that goes all over Hansel Valley.





**Baty (Rose), Colleen**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Friday night football under the lights with a dance after. Dee Leak's bookkeeping class.

**Activities since high school** ~ Married my high school sweetheart. Moved to New York and then raised our 3 daughters in Orinda, Calif. (20 minutes east of San Francisco). Enjoy traveling, golf, reading and painting. Retired to Carmel and LaQuinta, CA.



**Bennett, Ralph**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Choir tours, especially the one to Canada. We stayed in the home of a man who was widowed and his daughter meant everything to him. There was only one bedroom, hers, and he had her move to the living room, where he slept, so we could have the bed in her room. I will always remember him as a man that truly gave to his fellow man.

**Activities since high school** ~ Attended Utah State University -- earned Bachelor's and Master's Degrees. Married a French horn player. Have been teaching at Malad H.S. & M.S. for 39 years. Raised 12 children. Have 27 grandchildren.

**Bingham, Jim**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Bear River 7 Box Elder 6 Football 1965

**Activities since high school** ~ Married, 40 years Nedra Allen, SkyView High School 1968. 6 children Besides farming, active in public affairs, served 8 years Board of Trustees, Utah State University. 6 years on Bear River Board of Health, 5 years Utah State Energy Advisory Council.

**Bilagody, Jesse**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Witnessing a "High Stepper" return to her squad after a leg amputation (due to a vehicle accident). Despite her ordeal and situation, she performed brilliantly as if nothing had happened. What determination and courage!

**Activities since high school** ~ Mainly people oriented public services in various positions. Obtaining an AA Degree (plus 1 year - total of 3 yrs of college) at University of New Mexico. Presently I am retired and enjoying life in good health in a happy atmosphere. Also I am a Vietnam Veteran as a paratrooper.

**Borup (Davenport), Jan**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Having Farrell Williams so many times a day. Enjoyed working on the prom.

**Activities since high school** ~ Graduated from Ricks in Secretarial Science and with a MRS degree. Lived in Middleton, Idaho for 10 years before moving back to Tremonton. I have been blessed to be a stay-at-home Mom. We have 9 children, 9 wonderful sons & daughters in-laws and 23 grandchildren. We own and operate Pizza Plus of Utah. Recently returned from serving in Georgia, Atlanta LDS mission. We are now Logan Temple workers.



**Bourne (Orme), Sandy**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ It may not be my favorite, but something I'll never do again. I remember doing over 130 sit-ups in a PE class and having to quit because the bell was going to ring.

**Activities since high school** ~ Since high school I've raised seven boys. (Still working on Bob) I've lived in Germany and four different states. I worked with Bob in his painting and wallpapering business for many years. Our biggest job was the wall covering in the Las Vegas Temple. I also did some gold leafing in the Las Vegas and Oakland Temples. After Bob's second back surgery, I worked for fifteen years as a custodian for the church and Bob gave up the contracting business for a teaching job in Brigham. We have 14 grandchildren, seven boys and seven girls. Most of them live out of state. I really enjoy traveling to see them. I have lots of hobbies, besides the grand-kids. I've done leather work. (a hobby I enjoyed with Gayle Cornwall Nielson) Knitting, quilting, sewing, my yard, and recently I've started doing stained glass. Bob and I also enjoy golfing, and shooting 22 pistols with a group in Logan.



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### ***Bowcutt, Jay***

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Ethel Mae!!!!!!! She made me say this.

**Activities since high school** ~ Summary of 45 years: Earned Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting from Utah State University in 1971. Worked for Utah State University in the Endowment Department until 1973. Worked for LeGrand Johnson Construction Company as Corporate Controller until 1979. Worked for Nucor Corporation, a Fortune 200 Company, as Vice President and also as General Manager of two of their operation Steel Mills. Blessed with seven wonderful children and eleven grandchildren. Of our four sons, all are Eagle Scouts and three have honorably served full time missions. Traveled on six of the seven Continents for business and pleasure purposes. Served in many LDS Church callings, currently as Bishop of the Perry 8th Ward for over six years. Retired from Nucor Corporation in 2008 and travel and live between St. George, Utah, Bear Lake, Utah and Perry, Utah.

### ***Bowcutt (Butler), Mary Ellen***

**Favorite high school memory** ~I didn't enjoy going to high school. I didn't like sitting in class or doing home work. Nevertheless if my grades were below my Dad's expectations, I was grounded for life (and I really hated that). I liked social life after school hours, e.g. dragging Main, staying out past my curfew (waving at my Dad who was always out looking for me), going to Scrawnies, borrowing (?) a car and driving to Brigham to look for cute Box Elder boys, etc., etc.

**Activities since high school** ~ First of all, I found out how important an education is and dragging Main (and all the other nonsense I did) does not pay well. I got my high school diploma and graduated from an office administration training program. Afterwards I went to work for Thiokol. I worked in Data Management and in Audit. I retired in 2006. Larry and I together have 8 children, 22 grandchildren, 2 great grandchildren and 1 on the way - that adds up to a lot of grandpa/grandma spectator sports. We spend most of the summer at our Lava property. This summer we are going to install a zip line (I just might be too old for this). I really enjoy 4-wheeling, looking for rocks and adorning camp with them, trying to cook Dutch oven meals (not good for a diet), and sitting around the campfire and listening to my grown children's confessions about their adolescent antics that I knew nothing about. It seems the old proverb - what goes around comes around - is so true. I would like to leave you all with some advice - if a doctor tells you that you need rotator cuff surgery - say "no way" and RUN.

### ***Burns (Ballard), Diane***

**Favorite high school memory** ~So many memories of our years at Bear River. I still have dreams of not getting my shorthand done in Farrell's class, and of him throwing Alan Lawlor and Don Anderson out of Bookkeeping. Lynn Rose undoing the miles on my blue Ford. How did we ever get our hair that high? And Hi Steppers, how did we ever get into those jump splits? We lived to sit in the cubby holes in the mornings, and now they are no longer there, but our memories of each other will always be there no matter how many wrinkles we acquire.

**Activities since high school** ~ Hi, to all our Bear River classmates! Life is Great. Six years ago Brent was released from Bishop, we sold our home (of 33 years) in Tremonton, Brent and I retired, all in a fast 4 month period, and moved to the St. George area and our cabin in Bear Lake. We do a lot of 4 Wheeling and try to play golf, but most of all we burn up the freeway, going back and forth to see our grandchildren and the activities they are in. We love it. We have 3 grandchildren in college at Utah State, and our Shaylee is an Aggie cheerleader for the second year. Whitney is a Bear River Cheerleader. It is so much fun to have older grandchildren and then have much younger ones. We love the Lord and plan to start getting ready for a mission.



### ***Christensen, Darrell***

**Activities since high school** ~ Three years in U.S. Army. Viet Nam Veteran. Married in 1971. Raised six children -- lost two along the way. Have lost two grandchildren as well.

### ***Christensen (Eliason), Gay Lynn***

**Favorite high school memory** ~ 1. I remember our famous cafe in Corrine, "Itchy's". 2. I remember I would take our family car for a spin around town while they were gone. I would pick up my friends and take them with me. When I told my parents what I did, they didn't believe me because I didn't have a driver's license. 3. I remember Hi-Steppers and all of our competitions. We would put honey and toothpaste on the toilet seats of the new members in their hotel rooms to welcome them to Hi-Steppers. That was a lot of fun! 4. I remember lining John Oyler up with Shauna Holmgren. That turned out to be a great success! They got married and are still married! Can you believe Shauna went to Box Elder High? 5. I remember my accident and all of you students who helped me through High School by all the kind things you did for me. I am truly grateful. 6. I remember the great Lancer's Jazz band and being in the school plays.



**Activities since high school** ~ We have been busy with church callings and raising our children and helping with the grandkids. Dave and I have been married for 43 years (I think!). We have one girl and four boys. We have 13 grandkids and still more to come. Our oldest granddaughter is 19, and our youngest just turned one. We have five granddaughters and eight grandsons. We still have one child that is not married. Does anyone have a daughter that is 25-30 years old -- if so, we could line them up! We have a ranch and we raise cows. We have a cow & calf operation. Dave is President of the Cattlemen in Utah. We have seen a lot of places around the country, when we go to the conventions for Cattlemen. I was a busy mother and I substituted in the schools around Tremonton, mostly grade school. Now I'm a busy Grandma and I can't believe I'm age 63!

**Clark (Richards), Norma**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ My favorite high school memory was Mr. Leak's type class and Mr. Williams' shorthand class. I got to be Mr. Leak's aid for one of his classes my senior year. It counted as one of my classes and it was great. The pep assemblies were awesome as were the football games and basketball games.

**Activities since high school** ~ After high school, I didn't have money or a scholarship to go to college so decided to get a job and work for a year or two. Lee Richards finally asked me to marry him in 1967 but we didn't get married until 1968. I kept working because he was going to USU. After he graduated he got a job in Logan for Axtell Chevrolet as their accountant. We lived in Fielding and each commuted as I was working for an insurance firm in Logan as well. After three years we decided we should look for a home in Cache Valley and found the perfect home in Hyde Park. We raised our five children here and still love this town. After our third child was born, I quit working and became a full time mother until all five children were in school and then went back to work for the Cache Chamber of Commerce. I worked there for a year and then got a job at Morris Travel. This was a fun job. I got to travel a lot with Lee and the children.



We had some really great trips. I have always loved traveling and seeing the world so this was my dream come true job. Morris Travel sold their business and the corporate department was purchased by American Express and the leisure travel was purchased by Murdoch Travel. I was made manager of the American Express corporate office in Logan as well as manger for the Boise office, but after 9/11/01 they started closing the offices and had some of the agents work from home. The managers were laid off. I was trying to decide if I should just retire or keep working. Most of our children were out of high school and married or on a mission so I decided to look for another job. I started working at Utah State University as a staff assistant in the College of Business and am still working here but have changed positions to Program Assistant for the Huntsman Scholar Program. It is a very fun and rewarding job. I think I will be ready for retirement in a year or so. I am looking forward to traveling with Lee and seeing as much of the country and world as time and money allows.

**Deem, Jim**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Had some good times in FFA, hanging out in the hallways, driving up and down in front of the school with the dump tubes open.

**Activities since high school** ~ Short Version: Joined the Army, got assigned to infantry, went to Viet Nam, wounded twice. Once out of the Army, college at USU, graduation at Weber State. Moved to Wyoming, ran an alcohol and drug treatment program, went back to school, got an MBA at University of Wyoming. Moved to Arizona. Continued work in the alcohol and drug treatment field and at one time was Director of one of the largest heroin treatment programs in the country - had over 700 addicts in treatment. Got burned out with heroin addicts, went to work managing a self storage facility. Now manage three of them in the Phoenix area. Short story: In 1992, I was making a motorcycle trip up the coast of California and I was in Los Angeles the day the Rodney King riots broke out. It literally took all day to get from the south side of LA to the North side. Not a day to be on a motorcycle nor a day I'd like to relive.

**Douglas, Richard**



**Eggli, Kenneth**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Riding my motor cycle around the school track and in the school. Yes I did those things and other things. Also, liked to play jokes, and make friends at school. And still do.

**Activities since high school** ~ Worked for Weber School Dist. 19.5 years and Cream of Weber for 3.5 years. Served a mission in Ireland; served in the Army



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### ***Elliott, Richard***

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Dating Annette during my senior year and her sophomore year. She always thought it was so cool that I had taken her to all of her proms.

**Activities since high school** ~ Moving a lot; staying ahead of bill collectors and church callings.



### ***Erickson (Hansen), Lauretta***

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Hi-Steppers, I loved marching. I look back and wish, like many, that I would have taken it more seriously.

**Activities since high school** ~ Married Ken Hansen Oct. 12, 1966. Moved to Baudette, Minnesota where Ken was serving a tour for the US Air Force. We lived there for 2 years and had our first beautiful daughter 1968, Cammie. Moved back to Utah. Ken pursued his education and I worked. Our second child was born in 1971, son Brandon. We built our home the same year in Pleasant View, Utah. Third child was born in 1975, daughter Tiffanie Ann. In 1977, last but not least Justin Dean was born. The next 20 years were full of chasing kids to dance, piano, football, soccer.....run, run, run.... They are all doing well. Three live in Eden, Utah and one is getting much needed help with his drug addiction. Now I am enjoying running around keeping up with grandchildren that is the greatest.



### ***Ficklin, Douglas***

**Favorite high school memory** ~ I can't say I have a favorite memory, but I do have quite a few. I loved all the swim meets (nobody could ever beat us, I enjoyed the football games - wrong way Baty), the basketball games, and the dances that were held. I liked walking the halls between classes and I even enjoyed most of my classes.

**Activities since high school** ~ Following High School I went to B.Y.U. and then left for my mission to Sao Paulo, Brazil. When I returned home I finished school and married Wendi Walker. After graduating from school, I went to work in Washington, D.C. for the FBI. I stayed with them for 5 years then we moved back to Tremonton where I worked for Thiokol. When Nucor Steel started up I went to work for them and have been there for 30 years. We have 4 children and we have 12 grandchildren. Wendi and I have been raising our oldest grandchild (10 years). Right now, I am serving as 1st counselor in our ward bishopric. We built a new home in Tremonton 2 years ago and enjoy it very much. We have traveled to Portugal, Spain, Morocco, Canada, Mexico, and Brazil. We love to go cruising.

### ***Flint, William***

**Favorite high school memory** ~ When the Wrestling Team took State.

**Activities since high school** ~ Military Service for 22 years. Head Custodian in Jordan School District since retiring from the military.

### ***Foxley, Douglas***

**Favorite high school memory** ~I have fond memories of Bear River High. It was an awkward time for me, but I appreciate many excellent teachers, friends, and the camaraderie which we shared. No Garfield and Holland, I do not remember the time. You shouldn't either!

**Activities since high school** ~ My 25 year old son Stephen is getting married on August 6th which I believe is the date of our reunion. Because of this, I will not be joining you this year, but count me in for 2016! My 92 year old mother got her drivers license renewed. So be careful if you are anywhere around Bloomington in St. George. I was in Springfield, Illinois last year and had dinner with Kent Redfield and his wife. It was a delight! Kent has had an amazing career at the University of Illinois Springfield. I don't know where time has gone. I am saddened at the passing of many of our classmates. I have the traveling bug. I have been lucky enough to have been on all seven continents. My wish for all is health and happiness. See you in 2016!

### ***Garn (Littlejohn), Jeneal***

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Everyone was so kind to each other.

**Activities since high school** ~ Taking care of the Luxuries of life (i.e. working for food and shelter -- like everyone else). Enjoying all of the blessings of family and grandchildren and wonderful son's-in-laws!



**Gibson (Wheatley), Debra**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Fun

**Activities since high school** ~ More fun

**Hanson (Serrano), Julie**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ I cannot pick one favorite memory. I have many. All of the school plays that I participated in, the BRHS Choir tour to the Northwest and French Club. The many Jr. Prom finance committee projects were more fun than the dance! Football games and debate meets. The all night hayride following graduation holds a few choice memories also. The list goes on and on.

**Activities since high school** ~ I had a difficult time deciding on a career. I tried many things including cosmetology, wedding catering, floral shop owner, reproduction equipment operator, Employee Relations Specialist and Human Resource Manager. The last ten years that I worked were the most rewarding. I held various positions in Nursing Home Administration. I started as the secretary to the Administrator and worked my way through Marketing Director, Admissions Coordinator, Social Service Director and when I retired ten years ago, I was the Assistant Administrator. I have had far too many addresses. Although my plan, 45 years ago, was to live in Paris, I have only lived in Utah and Idaho (and NOT Paris, Idaho!) My four wonderful children have given me four incredible grandchildren. Bill and I have been married for almost ten years. We live in a beautiful, wooded area near the Snake River in Rigby, Idaho. We have a very large yard with a lot of lawn, trees and flowerbeds. It is like living in a park. This keeps me very busy all summer. I have developed a passion for computer scrapbooking which is a good thing. Winters are very long in Rigby!



This was taken in Brigham City in 2008. All of my kids and grandkids are seldom in the same place at the same time.

**Heyder, William**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Going to basketball and football games.

**Activities since high school** ~ Retired from Thiokol ATK, working on a ranch west of Snowville, fighting fires, and I'm an E.M.T. Just released from serving in LDS Bishopric. Having fun with 13 grandchildren.

**Hirschi (Smith), Renee**

**Activities since high school** ~ After Randy graduated from BYU spent 5 years in California, then returned to Utah and settled in Centerville. Raised 5 children all graduating from college and married with almost 18 grandchildren. We love to travel. Have been to Europe, South America, Hawaii (my favorite) and South America. I worked for 26 years for a doctor, now retired along with Randy and we now are hosts at the Conference Center on Temple Square.



**Holland, Leon**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Good times. Good friendships. Good memories.

**Activities since high school** ~ Good kids, good wife, good life.

**Housely (McMurdie), Shira**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ I can't really remember that much from High School. Sometimes I wonder if I was really there, until I read some of the comments on our wonderful BR Site, then lots of things come back and I get a good laugh. My thanks to all of the wonderful classmates of the class of 1966, and to the wonderful reunion committee for all of the work they have done. You GUYS ARE GREAT!!!



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**Activities since high school** ~ I haven't really done anything great and wonderful since High School. I got married to Harry McMurdie, and I am still married to him. We have three wonderful children, Zackary 1974 - 1995. Jessica 1977 and Clayton 1981. Zackary married Tracee Bowcutt, Mary Ellen Bowcutt's niece, so I consider Mary Ellen family. They had one son, Chase, and he is now 17, will be 18 in Sept. He will be a senior in High School this year. Jessica married Jared Woodward, they have four children: Aubrielle-13, Hadlee-9, Chloe Faye-5, and Brady-4. Clayton married Heidi Andrew from Trenton, and they live in Logan, and both work and have way too much fun.

I haven't traveled too much, but a couple of years ago, I went to Europe with Kathi Potter, Shauna Payne, Peggy Richardson and many more people from Tremonton. It was a wonderful trip, and I would love to do it again. We went to Germany, Austria, Switzerland, and France. We had a great time.

I still work, and probably will work until I die. I work at the Logan Temple also, for now any way, and I love doing that. I've worked there for ten and a half years now, & I'll probably be there till the New Brigham City Temple opens, then who knows.



### ***Hunsaker, Bryce***

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Lots of good memories of school, friends and teachers. Peggy and Susanne doing pantomimes. Getting Chalk Hansen off on tangents.

**Activities since high school** ~ LDS mission to Ohio/West Virginia. Married Lora Lee Udy. Employment: Steel construction, U&I Sugar, Tremonton Police Department, Box Elder Sheriff's Department, Don's furniture & upholstery. Foreman at Plateau Mills, Changehand & Head of Safety Fraser Lake Sawmills. Owned a cattle ranch. Started our own nursery, grew trees and shrubs for forestry & mines. Now grow flowers and trees for landscaping. Have 4 great kids (3 boys and a "Tom Boy"). A special wonderful wife, who supports, helps and is the best business partner anyone could ask for. Lora Lee is a great person to grow old with.

### ***Hyde, Luana***

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Cheerleading

**Activities since high school** ~ Married, 5 children, divorced, worked as painter for 25 years and now work at Home Depot in St. George, UT.

### ***Johnson (Ericson), Julie***

**Favorite high school memory** ~ I will never forget all the good times and good friends I made in high school. I loved singing in the choir and marching with the high steppers. Lots of good memories were made at good old Bear River High.

**Activities since high school** ~ My greatest accomplishments have been my kids. Family is the most important thing to me. And I love being a grandma.

### ***Johnson (Lambert), Marijane***

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Hello 1966 Classmates- I feel honored to be part of such an outstanding class of graduates! My thanks and appreciation goes out to those responsible for creating the website so we can all be "online" and connected to each other! I loved receiving the flier last Fall and the poetry was very clever and funny! I feel loving memories about Mrs. Anderson and how I learned to make a tailored suit. A highlight was Pep Club and the friendships made in that organization and feeling strong school spirit and watching our school athletes perform well at the games. A supportive memory was reaching out to Linda Smith during the loss of two husbands and her long struggle with cancer.

**Activities since high school** ~ I have fond memories of high school and it gave me a good foundation. I graduated from USU in 1970 with a B.S. Degree in Elementary Education with two minors in Art and Library Science. After graduation, I moved to SLC and worked at the U of U Marriott Library where I met my husband Glen who is a great guy with a great sense of humor! Our life together has been full of adventure and we have traveled and seen much of the world. I am more of an urban person now and I believe I have changed a lot. We have lived in the East and San Francisco. I enjoy many interests: gardening, jewelry making, travel/culture, the arts, theatre, reading, politics and working with children. My husband Glen is a Licensed Mental Health Therapist and directed an agency, teaches at the U of U and has a private practice and is a consultant. Michael is a Clinical Social Worker and Melissa teaches Pre-school.



**Josephson (Haas), Kathleen**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Music has always played a big part in my life both before and after high school so Choir with Mr. Ashby was wonderful. It was always a fun time doing concerts and especially the choir tour. We always wondered if someone else was going to faint off the back row again. I remember spending time with Mr. Orwin trying to catch up in algebra after being out with pneumonia for two weeks. It was hopeless for me. Pep Club was always fun as we marched in the parades and halftimes except for the time the bus was broken into at Box Elder and my purse was stolen with all my Christmas shopping money.. I remember the smelly geraniums in Ms Johnson's room that I had to sit next to while trying to read "The Merchant of Venice". The donuts were the greatest at the Pie Dump along with our 25 cent lunch. You could usually find Ted Roundy and Leonard Long there at all hours of the day. I always wondered how John Oyler could get those tight pants on over three pairs of fat Adler socks. It's back in fashion...will he wear them to reunion!?! Gay Lynn was an inspiration to me when she returned after her accident. She showed such determination and spunk. There was not a dry eye in the crowd when she finally marched her senior year. Way to go Gay Lynn - you're awesome. Singing with Sherma Morris and Muriel Sorenson was a highlight as we were able to participate on assemblies and sing for Seminary Graduation. Stretch was always to be found in the girl's gym or locker room. When we did the Harvest Ball themed "The Sweetheart Tree," Steve Welling brought his BIG truck for us to go cut down a full sized tree. Only problem was the gym was locked and everyone had gone home by the time we got back to school. It did turn out and many of you probably carved your initial in that tree. Aloa would get on the bus for school with her dress one length and then roll it until it was the length she wanted at school. Early morning before school found Lynn Rose, John Garfield and the gang comparing math answers before we went to class. We did very well. Remember when we put the fake vomit on the floor in Mr. Green's class. He saw it and turned around and left the room. The Golden Spike was a great rivalry especially since my dad went to Box Elder. Julie Hanson wrote love poems for everyone I think. Even if it were for a crush we had that never even turned into a date. She was also good at delivering babies. I remember getting married at the Bearfax Carnival-still have a joke with one of my husbands. LOL I drove my car to school before I had a license because I had all the food and decorations for the Spanish party but I could never tell anyone. Junior Goring let me drive his "409" to the parade at Sky View and I thought it was way cool. Everyone wanted to drive but I was chosen. Plymouth kids will remember Friday night "Creature Feature" with Pizza. "Mississippi Melody" holds a fond spot in my heart and was just what I needed for my love of music and drama. Thanks Kathie White for letting me come to your house every morning for months so we could go early for rehearsal. I will never live down the "Blew it Award" for the airplane scene from the Junior Prom assembly. Sorry Doug, Kelly and helpers. I loved High School and have many fond memories.

**Activities Since High School** After graduating from USU, I moved to California and lived at Pinecrest Lake Resort. My husband was a Forest Ranger and it was like living a year round vacation. The ski hill was 3 miles away and of course we had lots of snow. In the summer we would swim, hike, jeep and cut cords of wood to keep us warm for winter. We have moved around the state but have stayed in CA. We are the parents of five children - 3 girls and 2 boys. Some of them live close but I have one in Virginia and one in Texas. They have given us 9 grandchildren from ages 13 to 3 month - 5 boys and 4 girls. Being a grandparent is fantastic - only I miss not seeing all of the grandkids often enough. Music has continued to be a large part of my life singing in choirs, quartets, trio etc for many years. Thanks for the music on the website - it has been a super addition. I have been fortunate enough to be a stay at home mom most of my life but have also worked in retail, as a librarian, a teacher, and continue now as an Event coordinator at a county club helping with weddings, parties and golf tournaments. Bob enjoys the golf. We are very active in the LDS church and I am presently serving as Gospel Doctrine teacher and Bob is in the Bishopric (for the 5th time).I have always found great happiness in serving others and enjoyed many years at Girls Camp and helped set up the Destiny Program. Life is good and I plan to continue to enjoy it as long as possible.

**King, Yale**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ One favorite memory...is it possible to list just one? The good friends, the faces, the smell of hair spray in the hallways. Just one memory is tough, but I will pick graduation week. The feeling of accomplishment, the anticipation of the future, the cap and gown, the celebrations and ceremonies, and even the new jacket and slacks. It was a little happy and a little sad, well...maybe a lot happy and a little sad. It was good times.

**Activities since high school** ~ I represented Bear River at the national FFA convention after graduation. Wrestled varsity at USU on scholarship. Served a mission to South Korea. Married Sherrie Roche (class of 68). We have a son and five daughters who are all married and we have 20 grandchildren but two more should show up soon. We have stayed more than busy with church and community activities. I've been a farmer, production worker, millwright, water master, analyst, truck driver, school teacher, and grandpa. Still working hard at most of them.



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### ***Labrum (McFarland), Sandra***

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Great times. Debate was fun with John Oyler. Parties at Ficklins, Riding my horse with Colleen, Student council, marching at the games. Shauna's volswagon was great fun. Sleep overs with Peggy. Carol Ann at my house. Kathy loosing her eyelashes! I could go on forever. I loved school and the people there.

**Activities since high school** ~ We lived in Logan until Blair graduated from Utah State; from there we were in Longmont, Colo. for 11 years working for IBM. Transferred to Tucson, Ariz. with IBM and have lived here for 32years. I love doing hair and being with my grand children. I am working in the nursery in our ward. I love to do crafts and shop!!!! All our kids have moved back here. 2 are dentists, a son in-law is an architect, another retired and one son has gone back to school. 3 live in Tucson and 2 in Phoenix.



### ***Limb, Ray***

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Choir, Lansirs, Band and Swimming. Made many lasting memories and had good friends that helped me along the way. Thanks

**Activities since high school** ~ Touring Europe with the School Band & Choir of America, Living in Alaska, & Up State New York. Raising a good family. Presently enjoying being with a good friend from High School.



### ***Macfarlane, Brent***

**Favorite high school memory** ~ There are just so many I can't pick one!

**Activities since high school** ~ I graduated from USU in Landscape Architecture but only worked a short time before returning home to Riverside and I am still here. (Best place in the world). I have been Postmaster in Riverside for the last 22 years and I am hoping the Postal Service doesn't go broke before I can retire. I try to keep active in the church and in the community and do what I'm told. I've been married to MarJean Nish for 40 years and we have 5 daughters and 16 grandkids with one more on the way.

### ***Marriott (Hales), Arlene***

**Favorite high school memory** ~ I really remember the shorthand classes with Mr. Williams. He was a real tough teacher but I never enjoyed a class more. I remember teaming up on a table with Peggy Robbins, we made a pretty good team. The girls' choice dance that turned out to be with my husband, Paul. It seems like it was on the evening of the assassination of Pres. Kennedy but I'm not really sure. The Junior Prom was a really big deal. Being up on that scaffolding making that mountain was a real experience. That was about the first time my parents had let me take the car and someone came in and told me that my car had been wrecked. I nearly fell off the scaffolding. After getting all the way down and going outside, there was laughter - it was a joke. Funny now, but not so much then. The stairs were pretty scary but the Prom was great though!! The highlight was that we graduated on my birthday that year. A double whammy.

**Activities since high school** ~ I have raised my three children and enjoyed my 17 grandchildren. They are all living here in the valley and it makes it really nice to have them all close. We have lost two grandsons, one at birth and one just before his 5th birthday. We are very involved with Special Olympics as we have a special needs granddaughter that just turned 17. I have two seniors this coming fall. I have three grandsons that are all the same age. Two of my children have had twins. My two oldest granddaughters are married and one has given me my first great grandson. I'm really not that old, but life moves on. Our daughter has had breast cancer three times and is still fighting. She is stable now but it's not something you would wish on anyone. I would gladly take it over for her if I could, but all we can do is support and hope for the best. I've been active in church jobs through the years and I've worked several jobs all in the secretarial field. I retired from ATK after 25 yrs. in Oct. of 2009. We love to camp and we have a 34 foot 5th wheel trailer that we use as much as possible. We've been on a cruise to the Caribbean and enjoy traveling when we can.





**Matney (Shuler), Susanne**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ My favorite memories involve being with my friends, eating French delicacies in French class, going to dances, singing in choir concerts, having fun at the school carnival and teasing Mr. Bridges. Thank goodness for my chemistry partners. We were so carefree and clueless then! Where was Mr. Seager anyway all those times he was being called to the office?

**Activities Since High School** I have lived in Plymouth, Minn. (same house, same husband) for the past 31 years. I am blessed with a wonderful husband and three successful children who are finally starting to produce grandchildren - Lucy (5), Gavin (3) and Allison (2 weeks) and one on the way!

I received my college degree (summa cum laude) in 1995 earning a BA in Communications. I work full time in the national office of McGladrey & Pullen (accounting firm) utilizing my editing, writing and creative skills and doing anything else I'm asked to do! When we retire, we plan to move south to balmy Omaha, Neb. (to be near our daughter and granddaughters) and spend summers in Utah and Minnesota. This year my birthday falls on 11-11-11. Guess where I'll be celebrating?



**Merrill, Gary**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ My favorite high school memory is the abundance of new and welcoming friends I met upon my arrival in Tremonton/Bear River as a freshman.

**Activities since high school** ~ I was married in the Logan Temple right out of high school. We spent the next twenty years having a family (9 children) and earning B.S., M.S. and Ph.D. degrees. I've spent the last 35+ years teaching and doing research in universities.

**Morris (DeLapp), Karla**

**Activities since high school** ~ Since HS: working, raising six children, 17 grandchildren, and going on vacations!

**Neal, Parris**

**Favorite high school memory** ~I (like Rich Elliot) remember the Chemistry Club. We set up a booth at the Bearfax Carnival. Mr. Bridges helped us create a device where participants could attempt to blow a column of water up a tube, if it was high enough, the water would connect a switch and lights and horns went off, earning them a prize. Perry Crozier and his father, Vern, both came and tried to win a prize. Perry initially beat his father and everyone cheered upsetting Perry's Dad, Vern then stepped up and blew colored water all over the gym, settling all doubts as to who was still the strongest.

**Activities since high school** ~ Completed a mission to Florida in '69, completed masters in EE at USU in '74, went into USAF and served for 30 years retiring in 2004. We lived in Boston, San Jose, Colorado Springs (3 times), London England and Utah. Worked as Dept Chair, Engineering Technology, Metro State College of Denver: 2006-2008. Returned to U.S. Air Force Academy as researcher in Space Physics and Atmospheric Research Group in 2008.

**Nelsen, Ken**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Being apart of the football and swimming teams. Although we didn't have a great football team, we did defeat Box Elder and that make the season a success. I also very much enjoyed Church basketball and softball and the friendships made participating in these activities. However, I was very much disappointed when the Stake voted to play sloooooow pitch softball.

**Activities since high school** ~ From 1967-1969 served in the Central British Mission; 1969-1973 attended Utah State University, graduated with a BS in Industrial Technology. 1972 Married Susan Knutson from Idaho Falls. Upon graduating from USU, commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant and attended USAF Pilot Training graduating in October 1974. In 1980 graduated from the Air Force Institute of Technology with a Master's of Science Degree in Logistics Management. In 1983, completed flight instructor training, and in 1986, competed in the Strategic Air Command's flying competition finishing in first place with my Crew recognized as "Best Crew". From 1988 to 1991, commanded the 92<sup>nd</sup> Avionics Maintenance Squadron and then the 92<sup>nd</sup> Field Maintenance Squadron and also served as Bishop of the Spokane 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward.



In the fall of 1991, went back to flying and was given command of the 92<sup>nd</sup> Air Refueling Squadron. The following year, become the interim commander of the 453<sup>rd</sup> Operations and then served as Deputy Commander until 1993. In the summer of 1993 moved to Newport, Rhode Island, to attend the Naval War College and completed a Master of Arts degree in National Security and Strategic Studies. In 1994 moved to Scott Air Force Base, Illinois, where to work in the Tanker Airlift Control Center with responsibility of controlling/dispatching aircraft all around the world. In 1996, became a member of Air Mobility Command's Inspector General Team. In 1997, I moved back to Spokane to complete my final assignment as the 92<sup>nd</sup> Air Mobility Wing's Logistics Group Commander. I retired from the Air Force on January 1, 2000 with the rank of Colonel, while serving as 2nd Counselor in the Spokane West Stake Presidency. After retiring from the Air Force, we moved to Idaho Falls, Idaho and I continued to fly taking a job with SkyWest Airlines until the fall of 2008. I am now fully retired and serving a Church Service Mission in Idaho Falls. Life has been very good. I have a wonderful wife of 39 years, four great children and seven wonderful grandchildren.



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### ***Nelson (Cutler), Gayle***

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Making friends with so many wonderful kids. Having fun seeing all the different personalities each person had.

**Activities since high school** ~ I married Lyone Cutler and chose to stay in the big town of Tremonton all my life. (exciting) We raised three wonderful kids, and have ten grandchildren. I worked in production most of my life, retiring from La-Z-Boy after 26 years. I worked in many management positions. Three years after my retirement I lost my husband to a severe heart attack leaving a very big hole in my life. Thanks to my children, family, God, and friends, life is great!! Enjoying my family, camping, traveling, and just being alive.

### ***Newman, Wesley***

**Activities since high school** ~ I went on a mission to France and Belgium. Married in 1974 to Linnea Green of Escondido, CA. Linnea and I have lived in Logan, Utah, Virginia, Spokane, Kennewick and Richland, Washington, New Jersey, Bountiful Utah, Roswell Georgia and Anchorage Alaska. Most of the moves came as a result of my work with the FBI and IBM. We have six children. Paul, Amy, John, Becky, Andy and Emily. Five are married and one is going to BYU-Hawaii. We will soon have ten grandchildren. Linnea and I plan on going on a mission for the church in a few years.



### ***Oyler (Rochford), Cheryl***

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Friends, the Pie Dump, stealing my dad's car before I could drive, and slumber parties.

**Activities since high school** ~ For the last 35 years I have lived in Montana. I married Jack Rochford from Eagle, Colorado. He runs a bank here in Three Forks, Montana. We are looking forward to his retirement in a few years and have already bought our retirement home in Mesquite, NV. We have four children (Lori, Kris, Jim, and Jacki), but we have raised seven (grandchildren: Sean, Destiny, and CJ.) We have kids (including the three grandchildren we raised) from ages 42 to 14. Our youngest will be a freshman. (Keeps us young) We have 12 grandchildren and all but one lives within a few blocks of us, so our home is usually full of kids and I spend a lot of time cooking and playing with kids and cleaning up after them. We spend most of our free time in the mountains above Butte, MT where we built a cabin. We like to 4-wheel and explore.

### ***Oyler, John***

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Being chosen as "Most Likely to Succeed" AND Prom King for all three consecutive years; scoring 37 individual points at the State Basketball Championship; and setting a record high SAT score.

**Activities since high school** ~ Obviously, reinventing my past.

### ***Petersen, Hugh***

**Activities since high school** ~ After high school, I attended Weber State. I married Shauna in 1969. We have lived in Tremonton, Brigham City, Garland and Beaver Dam for the last 34 years. We enjoy the country life. I still enjoy riding my horses, camping, hunting and spending time with my family. I have been in two bishoprics, high council, and other church callings. I've worked at ATK/Thiokol for 40 years.



### ***Potter, Brent***

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Probably graduating as that seemed to be of most concern. They expected me to attend classes on more of a regular basis.

**Activities since high school** ~ Twenty five years of Aerospace management which provided an opportunity to see most of the country and work with some very interesting people. Commercial Data Processing, again in management and finally Real Estate. Twenty years military with the Utah National Guard and a kidney transplant.



**Redfield, Kent**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ 1) Hanging out with Rich (Wolfgang) Douglas, Dick Turpin, Richard Elliot, and Ron Abernathy 2) Pulling into a service station on Halloween in Ron's (?) car, getting a gallon of gas put into the hay bale in the trunk, and lighting it (the hay, not the car) on fire in the middle of road into town. You have got to love Halloween in Tremonton, particularly after the tomatoes in the field were frozen. One year we all ended up in the town jail for an hour after we bombed a police car with tomatoes from the back of a flat bed truck. 3) Beating Box Elder in the Golden Spike game 4) Debate club (NFL) trips with all members and "Uncle Milt" Johnson 5) AP chemistry class/club with all the members and Sherwood "Forest" Bridges

**Activities since high school** ~ I went to U of Utah and met my wife (Janet) in 1966. I graduated and we got married in 1969. We moved to Seattle so I could go to graduate school in political science at U of Washington. In 1974 I graduated and we had our first child (Jenny). In 1975 I took a job with the Illinois State Legislature and we moved to Springfield, IL. Our second child (Alicia) was born in 1978. In 1979 I joined the faculty of Sangamon State University (now University of Illinois Springfield) as an assistant professor of political science. We had our third child (Renee) in 1981. Janet went back to school and got an accounting degree. In 1999 Janet has successful breast cancer surgery. We built a house in 2004. Our granddaughter (Lucy) was born in 2007. I retired in 2009 and am now a professor emeritus of political science at the U of I. Janet retired this April and we are starting to travel. I still teach an occasional class and do consulting work on campaign finance and political ethics issues for an advocacy group in Chicago. All three of our children have successful careers, are out of our house and off our budget, and most importantly, all of them are still in Springfield where we can see them and our granddaughter every week. Life is good.



**Reese (Steed), Melanie**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ How everybody hung out together, we had our ups and downs but still stayed friends. I remember pushing Gay Lynn around in her wheelchair during games and at the fair.

**Activities since high school** ~ Married at age 17, got divorced at 20, played around till age 30, then married Farrell and we are still married for 31 years! I have 5 grandkids and 3 great grandkids. Moved to Nevada in 1998 and have been here for 12 years. I love it here in Henderson and have a good job and a beautiful home. Gets a little hot here in the summer, but thank God we have a pool -- you need one here. Can't wait to see everybody at the reunion.

**Rhodes, Dan**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ 1. As Sophomore Class Officers, we had the assignment from the Student Body Officers to provide the school Christmas Tree. Hal Anderson and I decided it would be a great idea to go to the western mountains and find a fresh pine tree. After searching for a long time, we got discouraged and headed back toward Hal's home in Bothwell - and this is where we found the perfect tree - in Bothwell. Coach Simmons (Student Government Advisor) and SBO's praised us for finding the perfect looking tree. Next day we were summoned to the office where we were interrogated by administration and Coach Simmons as to where we got the tree. It seems the top of a beautiful tall pine tree at the Bothwell Park had been cutoff and it matched by some coincidence our school tree - we were busted! It was Hal's idea (as I prefer to remember) to climb up the tall tree and take off the top. Hal may remember it differently -- I don't know. One thing for sure, I'd never heard Coach Simmons so mad at anyone (except on the football field at Perry Crozier). To make matters even worse, we had nailed the tree stand to the gym floor so it would stand up straight! I don't know if Coach Hughes ever knew. 2. When you hear Sony and Cher's "I Got You Babe", how many of you automatically visualize John Oyler and Peggy Robbins doing their version? 3. I was trying to decide in H.S. what I wanted to do professionally, when Mr. Schwartz suddenly checked out of teaching at BRHS to join a computer technology venture. He told us Computer Technology would be an exploding profession and encouraged us to jump on board. I did that and earned my B.S. degree in Computer Information Technologies and then obtained my Professional Management Institute Project Management Professional certification. Thank you Mr. Schwartz! However, I don't consider Facebook as my friend!

**Activities since high school** ~ 1. Will never regret growing up as a "farm boy". 2. Lois and I got married after one year of college. We both graduated from Weber State College University at the same time with the exact same GPA (to the two digit decimal points). 3. Lois and I have three wonderful children (Jill, Brad and Andy) and seven more wonderful grandkids. Grandpa is the "next best thing to Santa Claus". 4. After WSU graduation, I joined the 19th Special Forces Green Beret Airborne Army National Guard unit and made 29 parachute jumps. Our unit was never deployed to Vietnam - but we were prepared the same. 5. Coached little league baseball for many years and was also the league president for several years.



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6. NCAA basketball fan (March Madness) and Utah Jazz basketball season ticket holder for many years - but not currently. Still have my seats but they are delegated to a friend. 7. NASCAR and Indy Car Racing fan. Had yearly tickets at California Speedway, Las Vegas Speedway, Phoenix Speedway, and Portland International Speedway. Have given up the tickets but still follow all those red-neck drivers and left hand turns. 8. Did three hot laps around the Brickyard (Indianapolis Super Speedway) at 165 mph. Does it matter that I was in the passenger seat with a professional driver? 9. Favorite store is R.E.I. - as Lois and I have developed a passion for hiking. 10. Served as Scoutmaster more than once. 11. Served as LDS Bishop for 5.5 years (and 20 hours)! What a wonderful opportunity. Presided over a dozen funerals and performed a dozen weddings - did both on the same day once. 12. My employment: During H.S. I worked long hours on our farm and some construction on the U&I Sugar Company. During college, I worked at Defense Depot, Ogden, I.R.S. and Hill Air Force Base. Following graduation and seven months of National Guard active duty, I worked in computer technologies for Utah Power, PacifiCorp, Unisys and American Express (where I am currently employed). 13. As a claustrophobic, my biggest challenge was to go deep into the coal mines of Utah Power in Huntington to work on computerized safety systems.

### ***Richards, Lee***

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Going to the State swim meet my sophomore year. The night the meet ended coach Simmons took to the Kentucky Fried Chicken diner up towards the Capital. After the dinner we were free to walk down to any movie we wanted. I went to the Movie Gold Finger starring the real James Bond, Sean Connery. I was a boy off the farm and had never been to the big city. We caught a taxi from the movie back to the bus. I hadn't even been to more than 2 movies in my life. I thought I was in the big time.

**Activities since high school** ~ After graduating from Utah State University I started working for Axtell Chevrolet in Logan as their accountant. This was March 1971. The posting was all by hand. After two months of concern whether I could be detailed enough, I asked our CPA if he thought I could handle the job. His response was "if I could remember that the debits were on the window side of the office and the credits were on the door side I would be ok. When we built a new building in 2002 I made sure that the office window was still on the left, and the door was on the right. I am still employed as the Controller. For now Norma and I have picked 12-12-12 as our retirement date.



In the 80s Norma got me to travel a little bit with her. It was not easy for me because I was a homebody. In about 1989 she went to work at Morris Travel. I had to travel with her or get left behind. In 2001 she left the travel business but not the travel. It is addictive and we still get out a lot. I do like it since she does all the planning and is the tour guide.

I have coached a little basketball and a little soccer. Our son and all four of our daughters played softball, basketball, track, volleyball, and football. Well our son played the football and our daughters played the volleyball. My activities have been centered in family. I love going to family events. We used to go to our children's activities, now it is our grandchildren's. I like the grandpa business. I just got back from a great fishing trip with my son and his two sons, making memories.

I have stayed active in our church. I have always had a calling. They know that is what keeps me attending. I always wondered if I would still go if I didn't have a call. At age 63 I think I have figured it out.

We are still looking for new activities. Maybe by the 50<sup>th</sup> reunion I will have something new and more interesting to write about.

### ***Robbins (Myhre), Dorothy***

**Activities since high school** ~ I lived in Wyoming for 28 years, and in April I moved to Jerome, Idaho.

### ***Robbins (Richardson), Peggy***

**Activities since high school** ~ 10 grandchildren ages: 18 - 15 - 13 - 12 - 11 - 9 - 8 7 - 4 - 4 Have a cabin in Bear Lake West and a park model home in St. George. Love to travel, golf and go to movies. Spending time with my family and friends. Riding our Harley.

### ***Robbins (Seamons), Vickie***

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Being with all my dear friends.

**Activities since high school** ~ Doing some traveling. Loving each and all of my 6 grandchildren and going to all of their things. Watching my two granddaughters get married and going to college. Watching my beautiful great granddaughter who will be 1 year old in July.



**Romer, Merle**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Finishing my shorthand assignment in Choir class and Choir Tours. Also, sluffing the football game to work at the Pie Dump (only time I sluffed)!

**Activities since high school** ~I received an associate degree in business; worked at the Dept of State in D.C. for 2 years; worked at BYU for 6 years; mission to Tempe, Arizona; working in Correlation Dept LDS Church Offices in Salt Lake since 1978 until now (and forever). Enjoy the farm home in Elwood. Love to travel. Favorite places: Israel, Guatemala, and Peru. Enjoy my sisters' families.



**Rose, Lynn**

**Activities since high school** ~ Colleen and I split our time between Carmel and Palm Desert. Prior to this, we have spent most of our lives in NY and the SF-Bay Area. We have three daughters and six grand-children who live in SLC and SF.



**Shelton (Beeman), Linda Lee**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Decorating for Prom and all the great friends from High School

**Activities since high school** ~ Family-- Love my 4 kids and 10 1/2 grandkids. Work Work and go to work. Isn't that fun. Love to travel and wish I could do more of it. It will be great to see old friends at the reunion.

**Smith, Vernal**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Senior year all of the Sherwood Bridges classes. It's been a long time but I believe I had 3. Also I enjoyed Clyde Morris.

**Activities since high school** ~ After returning from a mission to the Southern States. I attended Montana State University in Bozeman, Mont. I met my wife, Jeanetta, there. We have four children. Kasey our oldest was born in 1972 he runs our family business. Dawn, my oldest daughter, teaches math at Bear River High School. My youngest daughter, Merri, has an MBA and is a senior accountant for a large corp in Park City. Kelly, my youngest, is an aerospace engineer working in Clearfield. I have had a couple of businesses over the years and also taught school. I spent 22 years at Bridgerland Applied Technology College. The last 15 as Department Head of the Diesel Department. I retired last June. I also did a lot of drag racing for over 20 years - I drove a dragster competing all over the western US.

**Starr, Curtis**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Playing drums in the Lansirs and competing in a Jazz Festival in Reno.

**Activities since high school** ~ I graduated from USU and Army ROTC. Spent two years in the Army. I have published weekly newspapers ever since. Raised six children (4 boys & 2 girls). We have a doctor, two lawyers, a businessman, registered nurse and a housewife among them; not to mention 24 grandchildren. We bought a weekly newspaper in Malta, Montana in 1985 and I have been there ever since. I've served on the city council for 14 years, been President of our LDS Branch for 10 years and served on the LDS High Council for 8 years. I've been married to the same wife for 44 years. Life has been good!



**Summers, Reed**



**Thompson (Daniels), Mary Ann**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ My favorite memories are spending time with my friends, being on the drill team, singing in the a cappella choir, and all of the fun dances and dates.

**Activities since high school** ~ After high school I went to Weber State and received my cosmetology degree. I then attended Utah State for 1 year where I enjoyed being an Aggiette. I worked for 2 years and was then married. I raised my family in Malad, Idaho where I still reside and work at Malad Elementary School.



**Thompson, Paul**



**Favorite high school memory** ~ Good Friends, student council, FFA

**Activities since high school** ~The births of my children and grandchildren

**Thorpe (Rhodes), Lois**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ I remember Ron Mortensen (10th grade English) telling me to quit passing around the Beatles album Dan gave me for Valentine's Day. Mr. Fred's biology class was one of my faves. I got to sit with my pal Connie Woerner, and Ted Roundy and Leonard Long sat behind us. I learned stuff. I also learned biology. I remember good times with Woerner in Uncle Milt's debate class and on debate trips (gouda cheese and crackers on the bus.) Buying lunch at the Pie Dump was a daily ritual. Actually, I never set foot in the cafeteria until our graduation breakfast! After happily driving my dad's '48 Jeep as a sophomore, I acquired my '55 Chevy: two door, dual pipes, baby moon hubcaps...do I ever wish I still had that sweet car!

**Activities since high school** ~ I married Dan after a year of college. I graduated from Weber State with a B.A. in Spanish. We have three great kids and seven awesome grandkids. I have been teaching at Bonneville High School for 21 years (Go Lakers!)



**Tolman (Munns), Faith**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Pie Dump, walking to seminary, pep club and Choir tour. Running around with my side kick Karla. Pant days( my grandkids can't believe we had to wear a dress every day. Eating orange peelings while riding the school bus home. Sneaking into the drive in by hiding in the trunk. Oh, did I really do that !!! Decorating for the Prom. Drag main (the whole two or three blocks). Having good friends and a good community to grow up in. I guess I don't have just one, but a lot of good memories.



**Activities since high school** ~ My dad sold our farm and moved me to Geraldine, Mt. shortly after graduation. The mail man came 3 days a week. We were in the middle of nowhere. Karla lined me up with my husband on a blind date. We lived in Brigham, Honeyville, Chester ,Montana, Bozeman, Mt, Billings, Mt, then Spokane, WA. We raised 4 wonderful boys and had a wonderful life. We worked in the interior design field and I made custom draperies for 38 years. I guess when you say activities. Most of my activities have been centered around our boys, the church and our community. With the loss of my sweetheart life has changed but memories and family are the things I cherish. I love the technology that connects us all together again after so many years.



**Turpin, Dick**



**Udy, Gaylen**



**Udy, Harold**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ Graduation Day, being done with School

**Activities since high school** ~ The end of the school Day

**Waldron (Stauffer), Connie**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ I loved my Junior year as class secretary. I loved getting up in the wee hours of the morning and painting the streets of Tremonton for Homecoming. What a fun experience.

**Activities since high school** ~ Raised five children; 8 grandchildren bless my life. (One on the way.) I have to say I have two amazing sons-in-law too. My husband is the joy of my life, however. No matter the challenge, he turns it into fun. He has been the wind beneath my wings and encouraged me to reach beyond my comfort zone in nearly everything.



I contributed music for an original stake musical production that was produced by Marvyn Payne and about as close to celebrity as I will get. I have traveled quite a bit and prefer home to just about anywhere in the world. If I didn't have family in Germany, you can bet I wouldn't be going back even though I love it there. I am working on a website to make my original music available to anyone interested. It will be free. It was a gift to me; it would be wrong to charge. I have logged thousands of miles on my road bike since I started in 2005 and have found it to be an excellent way to stay fit. Each summer it seems to get easier. This year (2011) I rode with the Road Respect riders (23 of us) from Logan to Hurricane on a campaign to make drivers and bikers more aware of the laws as they pertain to bikers. I will do it again next year if given the chance. I play the organ at the Mt. Timpanogos Temple on Fridays. That is quite often the highlight of my week. I was just called as Stake RS President in a Singles Stake in Provo. Life has been good to me. I've enjoyed the hills and the occasional coasting.



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### **Welling, Steven**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ I remember being the Harvest Ball Chairman. We decorated the Basketball gym for the dance. Included in the decorations were trees (they were not small) that we cut, hauled in and used the basketball back boards for support. I will never forget the look on Coach Hughes' face when he saw what we had done to his basketball court.

**Activities since high school** ~ After graduating from high school, I worked on the farm with my Dad during the summer and at the U & I Sugar company during the winter until I was drafted into the Army. Hired on at Thiokol in June of 1970. Started my own farming/ranching operation that has evolved into more of a grazing operation for beef cattle, where we specialize in raising show steers and heifers for 4H and FFA students. Married Allyson, we have 5 children and 11 grandchildren. While employed at Thiokol I worked in the NonDestructive Test (NDT) department. Started at the bottom as a dark room technician developing x-ray film and worked up to an Engineering position. Retired from ATK/Thiokol in 2009 after 39 years.



### **White, Rick**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ A few of my fond memories: Hanging out with friends, football games and track meets, cheering for the basketball guys, debate meets, assemblies, Garland Puzey pep talks, dedicated teachers who were willing to put up with high school kids who already knew it all. Those were the good old days.

**Activities since high school** ~ Family, church, school, work. Since our marriage, my wife, Rolayne, and I were blessed with four amazing kids and they have given us 18 terrific grandkids. We have moved approximately 24 times since we got married pursuing school and career. My work has included 2 years with the W.K. Kellogg Foundation, 7 years with BYU, 1 year with the University of Central Florida, 2 years with the Utah College of Applied Technology, and 23 years with Snow College. Along the way to trying to figure out what I wanted to do when I grew up, I discovered that I get the greatest satisfaction out of attempting to help young people prepare themselves to succeed at earning a living and making a life.

### **White (Potter), Kathleen**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ I enjoyed everything about High School -- good friends, laughing a lot and having lots of fun -- being a Plunger Sister, Pep Club, causing problems in Fred's class, dragging Main Street, Safeway parking lot, sleepovers, getting in trouble, Ruthie Johnson, Dee Leak, Farrell Williams, Miss Reinhart (earlier) and the plays we put on, "Stretch", "Mr. Seager, Mr Seager" you are wanted in the office, Mr. Kerr, Mr. Pusey and Mrs. Owens & Mrs. Cannon in the office.

**Activities Since High School** ~ Married my wonderful husband, Gary (yes, he is Brent Potter's brother). Raising 4 super children and now being Grandmother to 12 fabulous Grandchildren. Worked at the Post Office for 30 years and retiring after achieving my goal of becoming a Postmaster. Many great trips with my super friends, Shira and Shauna especially when we visit our good friend Susie. Just enjoying retirement and keeping really busy. Working part time, exercising and trying to keep in shape!



### **Winn, David**

**Favorite high school memory** ~ My favorite memory in high school was Sherwood Bridges chemistry class.

**Activities since high school** ~After high school, I eventually went to school at Weber State College. I graduated cum laude in Political Science in 1970. Since I did not have the foresight to enlist in the reserves, I was drafted into the army. I was an unwilling participant in the army. I strongly opposed the Viet Nam war. I was fortunate to have been stationed at the Oakland Army Terminal and then at Pruem Post, Germany. To this day, I have issues about my experiences in the army. While in the army, I married my first wife and my son was born in Germany. After the Army, I moved to Reno, Nv. I attended the University of Nevada. I graduated with a degree in Mechanical Engineering. While studying engineering, I discovered that I am not as smart as I thought I was, but my GPA was high enough to allow me to be a member Tau Beta Pi. That is the engineering honor society and is the engineering equivalent of Phi Beta Kappa. While in Reno, I met and married Donna.

### **Woerner (Ward), Connie**

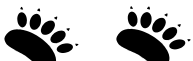
**Favorite high school memory** ~ Mr. Pete's physiology class and how we couldn't keep quiet. Our punishment was to time & score for the wrestling team. We ended up loving it. All the times first year German classed bribed Mr. Garfield with Pie Dump Donuts so we wouldn't have to conjugate "to be". The endless loops of main street on weekend nights. Good thing fuel was inexpensive then. Pep club - early morning practices; marching in parades; marching at games; marching; marching; marching with a little bit of cheering and pompom waving thrown in. Debate with Mr. Johnson...coolest class ever. Lois was my partner and we talked a pretty good game as I





recall. Lois's red and white Chevy and her father's jeep; she would wear white gloves while driving the jeep. Fair Days when the bandstand would be filled with people who had come to watch the Everly Brothers! I think they still serve the same hamburgers but the entertainment has changed dramatically.

**Activities since high school** ~ From Bear River High to the University of Utah. Married my Brigham City boy friend after a year of college and had a child, Christopher. Divorced almost 4 years later. Lived and worked for 2 years in Washington, DC before returning to Salt Lake City. Completed a BS degree in anthropology at the University of Utah, working and raising Christopher as I went along. Single mom for 12 years then married John. We've been married almost 28 years now. Our children, Katie and John Jeffrey, twins born in 1991, have kept us busy and happy as has our grandson Daniel, who is now 10. I've been lucky to be a stay at home mom with Kate and JJ, volunteering in PTA, Boy and Girl Scouts, and church activities. Science mom, art mom, classroom mom - I've been them all. My new volunteer career started about two years ago and you'll find me on Fridays and some Saturdays giving tours to elementary school children at the Utah Museum of Fine Arts. Mrs. Thurston might have killed any illusions I had of being an artist, but she did encourage an appreciation for art! John is the medical director at Huntsman Cancer Institute and will undoubtedly remain there until her retires. I'll keep volunteering and planning our travels. We've traveled quite a bit as a family, all over the United States, to Australia, Canada, Mexico, France and Italy. Our children have been in China without us! Katie in mainland China teaching English and JJ in Hong Kong, serving an LDS mission, speaking Cantonese!





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Class of 1966



45<sup>th</sup> Reunion  
August 6, 2011

# Bear River High School Class of 1966 45<sup>th</sup> Reunion

Hats Off to the 45<sup>th</sup> Reunion Committee Members:

Richard Elliott  
Brent Mcfarlane  
John Oyler  
Norma (Clark) Richards  
Lee Richards  
Brent Potter  
Kathi (White) Potter  
Dan Rhodes  
Susanne (Matney) Shuler

We are planning to keep the Class of 1966 website ([www.bearriver66.com](http://www.bearriver66.com)) up and running until the next reunion. Visit it often to see what your classmates are doing and to post your important events. Please encourage classmates who have not yet joined the website to do so. Unfortunately we are missing current addresses, email addresses and phone numbers for several of our classmates, and we were unable to notify them of our reunion. If you have updated information about any classmates, please go to the Contact Us tab on the website and send the webmaster that information or email [susanneshuler@qwest.net](mailto:susanneshuler@qwest.net).

***In remembrance...***

Luis Cervantez  
July 12, 1969

Gayle (Cornwall) Nielson  
April 10, 2011

Cornell Fredricks  
April 2, 1978

Ricky Fukuda  
1982

Bernell Garbanati  
April 17, 2011

Brent Gardner  
September 13, 2004

Leslie Hansen  
1999

Patricia Hashimoto  
1989

Clair Hess  
1999

Nannette (Hess) Shaw  
October 14, 2009

Leonard Long  
2008

Marjorie (Munk) Walker  
2008

Terry Orwin  
1994

Boyd Smith  
1989

Linda (Smith) Hymas  
April 11, 2009

Billie Dawn (Storrer) Johnson  
2000

Joe Vasquez

George Worley  
2003

