

Lowrey High School

Class of 1967

40 Year Reunion

August 4, 2007

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Friday, August 3 at 7:30 pm	Reception – Bar Area Downriver Ramada Inn 20777 Eureka Rd. (at I-75 on southside of Eureka) Taylor, MI 48180 (734) 283-2200
Saturday, August 4	
10:30 am - 3:00 pm	Hospitality Suite – Downriver Ramada Inn
6:00 pm	Hors d'ouerves (Open Bar)
7:00 pm	Class Welcome/Buffet Dinner (Open Bar closed during dinner)
8:00 pm	Class Picture
8:30 pm til midnight	Listening and dancing to music from our high school era; socializing!!
Midnight til ?	Hospitality Suite
Sunday, August 5 7:00 am – 10:00 am	Continental Breakfast – Hospitality Suite
All Day	Ford Field Dearborn Homecoming

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Reunion Committee

Nancy (Fithian) Steinrock, Mary Gutierrez, Sharon (Nicholl) Buscetta, Jon Thostenson and Linda (West) Knaus



Robert Alex

From 1977 reunion brochure:

Bob studied at Western Michigan and obtained a Bachelor of Science Degree in Aviation Engineering Technology. He spent two years in the Navy and has been married for six years. Bob is the father of two and is currently a Service Manager at Northwest Airlines. No doubt his job comes in handy when the Alex's want to travel. His travels so far have been to seven states, along with

Mexico, Hong Kong, Canada, Great Exuma, Bahamas.



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I work as a Computer System Administrator for an Independent Oil & Gas company (Devon Energy). Wish I could retire tomorrow, but can't until 2012 (1,670 days, but whose counting). I have 3 boys (Daniel 29, Luis 28, Victor 26); 4 grandchildren (Alizayah 5, Marc 3, Matthew 2, Jace 1). Here is a picture of my clan (sorry I'm not in it).



Raising 3 boys on my own was really tough, but not at all boring. We had a lot of great times, and I seem to be able to block out most of the bad ones from my rapidly shrinking memory. The boys are all very close; and with their growing families, they monopolize most of my free time. I do manage to have a little fun without them though – I bowl on a league, golf, play bunko with the girls, and vacation as often as possible (Vegas being one of my favorites). Even with all that I have now, I tell everyone that I would go back in a minute and relive

all those wonderful times I had growing up in Dearborn Heights. Those days were definitely some of the best days of my life.



John Anderson (wife Diane Belcher Class of '68)

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Occupation: Pharmacist, Builder – no plans to retire, but part time very soon. We currently live part time in Florida – Daytona area and 7-8 months in Michigan – Novi/Walled Lake.

Still married to childhood sweetheart Diane (Belcher – Class of '68) for 37

years. She works as a "housewife" in Michigan and "Grandma" in Florida. We currently also buy and sell Florida properties.

We have three daughters – all in Florida (we lived there permanently from 1981-1997). All have college degrees with great jobs. We have 4 grandchildren; 12, 7, 7, 2 - all great.

I would not change too much if I could start over again.

One funny memory – dancing and singing Temptation songs in Drafting Class.



Mary (Andrews) Hoffa



Cathy (Andrusiak) Morgan From 1982 reunion brochure: Cathy is a busy working mother of two children. Cathy is employed as a Credit Representative. The Morgans live in Canton



Jerry Angel (11th grade picture)

Diane Antalik





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Meredith, Michael and Melissa





Blakes's Mother & Granddaughter, Elizabeth

My occupation is General Manager for a building products company outside Birmingham, AL. I will be working for at least 10 more years, with no plans for retire-

ment. My wife Becky and I just celebrated our 33rd anniversary of wedded bliss this month by going to a Toby Keith concert (a great show). I have 3 grown children, Melissa 28, Michael 26 and Meredith 23. Our pride and joy is

Blake and Becky in the Smokey Mtns. our granddaughter, Elizabeth, now 9 months. We love to vacation on the beach on the Alabama on the beach on the Alabama Gulf. I enjoy riding my Softtail and playing with my granddaughter. I've started running longer distances in the past few years and have done 5 marathons in the past 2 years. Life is good and I am blessed. I'm not sure what I would do different after high school, maybe make a few selected investments in the stock market that would prove advantageous today. I have lots of good memories from Lowrey, but in terms of funniest moments, I can only think of a few pranks that we played on the teachers, that will remain anonymous. I enjoy lots of different kinds of music today, but in the 60's I remember "Heard it through the grapevine" by Marvin Gay and "Tracks of my tears" by Smokey Robinson.

I'm enclosing a couple of family pictures of Becky and I in the Smokey Mountains at New Years, my three children, and a picture of Mom (who turns 90 next month) with my granddaughter. Mom had several people in our class as a 6th grade teacher.

Not Pictured: Larry Babcock 4468 Lyndon Lane Ann Arbor, Mi. 48105 Phone: 734-213-2395 Cell: 734-358-2448 Email: Dbabmifsud@yahoo.com

Larry and Dorothy Mifsud from our class have been married 40 years. Larry retired from Ford and now works at Christ the King church part time. Dorothy, also, works at the church as Facilities Manager. They have six boys all married and living in the area. They have eight grandchildren, the oldest 13 and the youngest 13 months.

They wouldn't change anything after graduation.

Dorothy remembers stopping by the bakery everyday to buy a pizza roll and can't forget the bus rides.

Larry and Dorothy have a close-knit family. They all enjoy golf. Larry plays on a golf league with his six sons.



Francis Bakara

It's been many years! My name is the same Francis (Frank) Bakara. I moved to Gilbert, Arizona in 2004. I don't miss the cold. I won't be attending the reunion as I will be in Michigan in June 2007 for my nephew's wedding. I retired in January, 2004, as a construction boilermaker of 32 years. I've been married 32 years.



Sandra Baker

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I retired from AT&T in 2005, with 26 years of service. I am now working part time at District # 7 schools. I have 2 wonderful daughters, of which I and their father are very proud. Sherrie is a nurse at Henry Ford Hospital and Charlie is a teacher at O.W. Best Jr. High. We have 5 beautiful grandchildren, April 19, Tabby 15, Nick 10, Tyler 7, and Brianna 4. They are a true blessing!

On November 9th, 2006, my little brother, Jimmie Dale Baker passed away. Jimmie graduated from Lowrey in 1969. Please remember him in your prayers.

One thing I would change, after graduation is....I would never have smoked cigarettes.



Michael Bandy

From 1992 reunion brochure:

New Hudson, Michigan. Married 21 years. Children: 20, 17, 10 13; one grandchild 11 months. Occupation: Die-maker. Interests: Fishing, hunting, bowling. Travel: Fishing trip to Canada; Florida.

Cynthia (Barrette) Ortega Married to Tony Ortega from our class.





Mary Ann (Bator) Spencer

From 1992 reunion brochure:

Walled Lake, Michigan. Married 21 years. Children: 19, 18. Occupation: Paraprofessional for Emotionally Impaired. Interests: Craft shows, car shows (husband is building custom '42 Chevy). Travel: Texas, Kentucky, N.C., Georgia, W. Virginia. Info.: Received "Golden Apple Award" last year as outstanding staff person in Walled Lake Schools.



Diane (Baxter) – Dyan Osborn

Email: <u>Birthsjourney@AOL.com</u> My husband, Phil, and I live in Perrysburg, Ohio. Have been in this area since leaving Western Michigan University after Lowrey. Retired from an office manager position for a team of Doctors in 2003. Presently running my own company "Birth's Journey"..and am now a certified labor and birth "Doula" (a doula is a labor and pregnancy support woman)...supporting birth moms & their partners in the Ann Arbor, Toledo and Monroe areas. (I love it!).

We have 2 boys and 2 girls and 8 grandchildren and have hobbies of horses, travel and family. I may stop in on Saturday night if in town. I do plan to go Sunday to Homecoming.

Congratulations to all of us on our 40th reunion! We must be doing something right to even still be here! GO POLAR BEARS



Rick Beattie



Betty (Bellottie) Deledda

Riverview, Mi. From 1977 reunion brochure:

Betty and Sebastian Deledda join the ranks of "inter-class" marriages. They have been married six years and have two children. The Deledda's have seen the sights of seven states plus Canada and Bermuda.



Linda Bessega Deceased



Mary (Bobrick) Davis From 1977 reunion brochure:

Mary is working as a secretary. She is raising one child and makes her home in Dearborn Heights.



John Bochniak, Jr.

From 1992 Reunion Brochure:

Dearborn Heights. Married 12 years. Occupation: Dispatcher. Interests: Breeding miniature Schnauzers; camping. Travel: Touring the south and Florida. Words of Wisdom: "Find the right woman and life becomes a dream."



Frances (Boggs) Reason

From the 1997 Reunion Brochure: Manitoa Beach, Michigan

Community Mental Health/Foreman for Testing at Michigan International Speedway; Divorced; 3 children; 1 grandchild. Interests: race cars, horses, and horse shows, quilting, 4-H, Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts.

Moments of Glory: youngest in the state of Michigan to hold real estate license; half column written up in Detroit Free Press about me at Michigan International Speedway; learning to drive Super V and formula race cars;

meeting Roger Penske, Junior Johnson, Al Unser, Sr., Dave Marcas and have them call me when they needed to be picked up at the airport – was thrilled just that they knew who I was! Fondest Memories: ("Definitely NOT Chemistry!") Drinking from the Senior Fountain was a big deal; and tassel day.

Sharon (Bokkon) Misholoney





George Bolash

From 1977 reunion brochure:

George is a Metal Model Maker. He's been married four years and is the parent of one child. George spent two years in the Army; one year of his duty was in Vietnam. He attended trade school and Henry Ford Community College. George enjoys hunting and bowling.



Robert Bonser

305 Parkway St. Gladwin, Michigan 48624 989-426-0501 I live in Gladwin, Michigan, about 180 miles north of Detroit. Most of the students at Lowrey probably knew each other from elementary school, but I didn't attend Lowrey until 10th grade and so never really knew many kids. For some reason my more pleasant memories are of Ms. Romanow's French class and the other students in that class.

I'm married with two children and retired from a fairly boring career, mostly in personnel. I'm trying, in my retirement, to do some writing.



Linda Boroski – (11th Grade Picture)



Deceased: June 1992 of cancerous brain tumor.



Wendy (Boutin) Morgan

From 1982 reunion brochure:

Wendy has a few titles: Mother of a seven year old son; wife of thirteen years; Secretary-Buyer. Wendy resides in Lincoln Park and finds time to relax at the bowling alley.



Cheryl (Bowles) Ross

Unfortunately, I will not be able to attend the 40 Year Reunion. I have a family wedding to attend that weekend with out of town guests. coming. Hopefully I can attend our next one. Haven't been to one since our 10th. I would like to see all of our classmates while I still have my memory!

I recently retired from AutoAlliance, (Ford) after 22 years as a CPARS Specialist in the MP&L Department. My parents, who are semi-retired, have a

trucking business and now I will have some time to help them out and spend more time with them. I am a single parent of two daughters. Kim is 36 and Kerri is 25. Neither are married so I have no grandchildren. My sister has two that she shares with me. I enjoy gardening and shopping.



Len Boyer



Clayton Brent



Loretta (Breuer) Gerrow



David Brill

From 1982 reunion brochure:

David has been happily married for almost three years. He is a Computer Processor and an Atari enthusiast. His talents include string art and making sun-catchers.



Diana (Brock) Stout

Email:DIANAL819@aol.comOccupation:Administrative AssistantGeneral:Moved to Nolensville, TN(suburb of Nashville) in 1994 when husband tookjob in the Finance Department of Saturn.Most of my immediate family (2 sisters, parents)moved south (KY/TN/SC) except for one sister who

remains in Michigan. My 93-year-old maternal grandmother (I'm glad I have her genes!) resides in Marysville, Michigan and still lives on her own. I worked various part-time clerical jobs (emergency room admission clerk, etc.) until son started school. Full time career has included assistant to high school principal in White Lake, MI and current position of assistant to president of Nashville engineering firm. Work accomplishments have included my award for newsletter design and "Secretary of the Year" for the Huron Valley School District.



Diana (Brock) Stout

My husband plans retirement sooner than I do (a couple years down the road yet), but when we retire will remain in Tennessee and plan to downsize on the house, but have some acreage for the grandkids to enjoy.

I've been married 36 years to Allan who is on Human Resources staff for General Motors. With consolidation of Saturn & GM has spent the last 1½ years traveling to Michigan a lot more than he likes. I occasionally make trips back to visit my grandmother. Allan's career has earned him two recent "President's Awards" from GM (also a lot of gray hair).

Our daughter, Julie, assistant principal has given us two grandsons, Braden, 5, into dirt bikes and baseball, Logan, 1, loves music, giving "Mimi" hugs and playing catch. Our son, Matt, a firefighter, recently gave us our first granddaughter on 4/12/07.

As far as hobbies: Music (play the piano some), singing in the church and community choirs, reading, and watching the grandkids every chance I get.



Mike Broughton



Nancy (Brown) Wessels

From 1987 reunion booklet:

A Teacher working professionally with young children since 1972 and says her own nine year old son has been a "humbling experience". Nance was widowed eight years ago and has recently remarried. The Wessels family enjoys sailing, biking, and cooking together.



Kathy (Budai) Culbertson

Married to Timothy Culbertson and resides in Dearborn Heights.

Majorie (Burek) Mentis

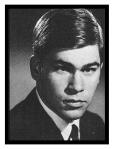


Linda (Burklow) Cox



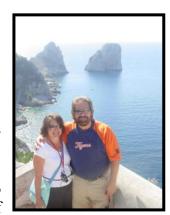
From 1997 reunion brochure: Rowlett, Texas Co-owner of Dr. Video & Inventions Married; 1 child Enjoys reading; jewelry; helping husband with possible inventions; re-newed vows on 25th anniversary. Fondest Memories:

being in chorus for 1966 graduation ceremony; graduation day; going to Elmwood Casino in Canada to see Tottie Fields.



David Bydlowski

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Occupation: Science Consultant, Wayne County Math and Science Center at Wayne RESA.



I've been married for 33 years to Beverly Bydlowski ('67 Graduate of

Fordson). She was my High School Prom Date and Sweetheart. She works as an Elementary Student Assistance Provider, Livonia Public Schools. Our son, Josh Bydlowski, works as a Senior Buyer at Keiper LLC and is married to Erin Samuels. They live in Royal Oak. No grandchildren.

I wouldn't change anything if I could start over again. One of my funniest memories of my days at Lowrey was hiding behind the Polar Bear thinking my wife (Beverly) could not see me.

My mom (81) and dad (83) still live on Tulane in Dearborn Heights.



Ray Bynum

From 1987 reunion booklet:

Ray has been married eighteen years and has three children: 9, 3 and 1. Quoting Ray, "Having children later in life either keeps us feeling young or prepares us for the funny farm. We haven't determined which one yet." He's involved with the USAF Reserves, the Disabled American Veterans as a Life Member, and family activities.



Barbara (Cade) Frechette

My husband, Andre, and I spend winters (October-April) in Port St. Lucie, Florida and summers (May – Sept) in Litchfield, Maine. I work part time (seasonal) as a flooring spec. in Florida. I love to golf and have 3 sons, 1 grandson and 4 granddaughters.



Christine (Cafini) Gonzalez

Dianne (Cain) Gardner -- Not Pictured 5426 Ziegler Dearborn Heights, Mi. 48125 313-562-6887

(Married to Classmate Bob Gardner.) Bob and I have been married for 43 years now. That's hard to believe! We have two fantastic kids and 4 amazing grand-sons. Our oldest, Mark, is married and has 2 boys. Marcus age 20 and Scott age 17. Marcus is going to college. He is studying to be a Sports Physical Therapist. Scott is still in high school. He plans on going to college, but has not decided on a career just yet. Our daughter Bobbi is married and also has 2 boys. Shane, who is 13 and Justin, who is 11. Shane loves wrestling and video games and, of course, girls! Justin likes everything from cooking to mowing grass! He will be a jack of all trades and master of none!! Bob and I have been truly blessed with a wonderful family. Bob works at Ford Woodhaven. He is a tool and die lay-out inspector. He's been there 19 years. He worked 8 years at GM Cadillac before going to Ford. He had triple by pass surgery in 2006, but is doing great. I haven't worked in 20 years except at home. I take my job as gramma very seriously! Bob plans on retiring in 5 years. We haven't made any plans about moving. We have lived here in this house for 33 years and been in Dearborn Hgts. most of our lives. We have a

place in the thumb area (Caseville) where we go for vacations and week-ends. Bob loves to go up there fishing. I fill my spare time quilting and cake decorating. We love spending time with the family. We have a pool and a big back yard so BBQ's are a must in the summer. We hope all of you have a great time at this year's reunion. Hope to see you all at the next one

Linda (Caldwell) Nelson Johnson



Life sure goes by fast, doesn't it? Seems like only a few years ago we were riding the bus for our daily trek to Lowrey High.... I now have 3 grown children, 2 grown step-children, 7 grandchildren and a wonderful husband who I have been married to for 8 years. I am still working and am an administrative assistant for AM General in Livonia, which is the engineering/tech center for the Hummer.

My children are all married and have children. They are Stacey, who is now 32, married and mother of two. She is a stay-at-home mom (rare these days!) to Toree, 9 years old and Garrett, 2 years old. She is the assistant brownie leader for Toree's troop. Her husband, Scott, is a work/fishing a-hol-ic and practically lives on Lake Michigan in the summer! Kelly is 30 and a special ed teacher in Grand Haven. Her husband, Lars, is a phys ed teacher in Zeeland. They have 3 children: Preston, 8 years old, Crimson, 6 years old (yeah, I know, reminds me of Crimson and Clover) and Keaton who is 2 years old. My son, Patrick, is 27 years old and an officer in the Army stationed in Okinawa, Japan for the next 3 years. He is married to Melissa and they have a 1 year old, Cole. My step-children both live in the area and neither one is married right now, but Karrie, 26, has one son, Zachary who is 8 years old. Ken, 28, and his girlfriend Dalynn are planning an October 2007 wedding.

I still see Donna (Janes) and Rick Shaw very frequently; as a matter of fact, we both have cottages up north at Houghton Lake and I have played Pinochle with Donna and her sister Pattie for the last 30 years!!

I am planning on retiring in a couple more years and since my husband did just that this past spring, I hope to be able to hang in there until then. I would like to move out to the Grand Haven area and get a house on a small lake and enjoy having the grandkids come visit and enjoy water sports. Both of my daughters live there now and most of the grandchildren.

We are quite active with the American Legion and feel even more connected with the veterans since my son is in the Army.

Thinking back about high school, I realize now how close we all were since most of us went to school with each other since 7th grade and I think there were only about 285-300 graduates in our graduating class and how nice that was. These days almost all senior classes have at least 600 kids! I loved going to the basketball games and dances the most and even the long bus rides to and from school were a lot of fun! I enjoyed being in the Future Nurses Club (do they even have such a thing anymore???) and helping the handicapped kids in special ed. I also was in the GAA club; remember that? Girls Athletic Association...boy, my kids have laughed at that and especially when I told them I got my letter in ping-pong! Really...no joke!!!

Yes, back in '67 we were quite the innocents compared to the kids of today! My kids told me that I was a "goody two shoes" and I probably was. I did go on to Eastern Michigan University and only stayed for 1 year and went to work in various offices before I married and became a housewife. I do wish at times that I had finished college (it sure would have helped after my 23 year marriage dissolved!) but no, I have no real regrets about the past. I only wish that I had danced more----I have had two total knee replacements but am doing quite well with them now. I am looking forward to seeing everyone and still cannot believe it has been 40 years!!!!!





Jan (Carlson) Neider

Terry Carver



Diane (Casey) Bair

After graduation I worked at the Dearborn PO while attending Henry Ford CC. In '71 Jerry Bair & I were married in Brighton, where we still live. I worked for the Brighton PO, then Kroger's. Our son, Jeff, was born in 74. I left the workforce in '77 to be a full-time mom. When the economy went South in 1980, I went back to work. Twenty seven years later, I'm still at First National Bank in Howell. Jerry retired from the Ford Wixom plant in 1998 after 30 years on the job. We are in the process of building our 3rd home, this

one will be in West Branch. Hope everyone has a great time.



Lois Ann Caudill



Cynthia Cavers

From 1997 Reunion Brochure: Milford, Mi. Quality Assurance Enjoys pets; gardening; aerobics



Dianne Charron (Krueger)

From 1992 reunion booklet: Resides in Cudahy, Wisconsin; Married. Children: 16, 16, 14, 12, 12 Occupation: Dental Hygienist Interests: Coordinating 7 busy schedules and keeping everybody happy Travel: Family vacations specializing in U.S. tourist traps.



Karen (Childs) Howell (11th grade picture)

From 1992 reunion booklet: Trenton, Michigan. Married; children 24 and 21; granddaughter 2 years old. Medical Secretary. Interests: Racquetball; "Fighting the battle of the bulge"; outdoor activities Travel: Florida, local states, cruised to Virgin Islands where she experienced

snorkeling.



Jerri (Chmela) Channon Present name: Jerri Channon 2723 W. Appalachian Ct., Westlake Village, Ca. 91362 805-497-4298 In 1980, I decided the winters were just too brutal in Michigan so I moved my household to Southern, California.



Jerri, Rick and Clancy

I was married in 1984 to Richard and, subsequently, reside in Westlake Village, California with our little Wheaton Terrier, Clancy. We never were fortunate to have children, but we have lots of nieces and nephews that we have a "blast" spoiling. They love to visit us.

In 1984, Richard and I started our business, Satellite City. We sell and install high-end home entertainment centers to the celebs and associated clients. We, also, rent satellite dishes to movie

studios to be featured in first-run movies. We, also, have another business. We own video games that we supply to a local casino.

We have cut our hours down drastically, but upon retirement in the next few years, we plan to travel to Europe, Argentina, Asia and Australia. We have no plans to move when we retire.

What would you change if you could start over again after graduation? I really don't think I'd change anything.

What is your funniest memory of your days at Lowrey? I have fond memories of high school. As far as funny, I don't know....



Larry Cislo

Randi (Clendennin) Rhoniy -- Not Pictured From 1997 Reunion Brochure: Dearborn Heights, Mi. Manager of Cable Services – Garden City Hospital Married 28 years; 2 children; 3 grandchildren Interests: Likes to travel Fondest Memory: Bus Rides

Tom Collins – Not Pictured



Gloria (Coogan) Hyvari 24698 Langdon Dr. Brownstown, MI 48134 Phone Number (w/area code) 734-782-0221 Cell Number (w/area code) 734-812-5327 GloryHy@sbcglobal.net Retired/Disabled 1993. I've been married for six years to Walter Hyvari who was retired/disabled in 2001.

I have four children (three boys and one girl) 38, 36, 33, 31. Three of them live in Kentucky where they're father (Ed Furness) lives. The other one lives here in Taylor. I have four grandchildren and one on the way. Three girls and one boy. (13, 6, 2 & 1). The thirteen year old and two year old live in Kentucky, also. The other two live here in Michigan.

If I could start over again, I would've gone to college and gotten a degree in what I always wanted to do...Nursing. So I would've had something to fall back on.

What is your funniest memory of your days at Lowrey? Smoking in the bathrooms and my wedding reception in Mr. Betzing's class when we were supposed to have final exams. (Donuts and pop). Ed Furness and I were married for 30 yrs. Unfortunately, we were divorced in 1998.



Sherry (Cooper) Fuhrman

From 1992 Reunion Booklet: Taylor, Michigan Married 24 years Children 18, 7 Nurse Assistant Interests: Raising two sons; active in church and school functions Travel: Several trips to Disneyworld, France, Switzerland



Cherie (Coveyau) DuQuette From 1977 reunion brochure:

Cherie (Smaha) spent one year as a Liberal Arts student and is presently a student nurse. She has been married three years and settled in Romulus, Michigan. Cherie enjoys bowling, plants, and her pets – a skunk and a dog.



Vicki (Cronovich) Fresard (11th Grade Picture) 2690 Marston Way The Villages, FL 32162 352-750-3974; jvfresard@comcast.net

Still married to Joe and we celebrated our 25th anniversary this year. We retired and moved to Florida about 10 years ago. Playing lots of golf and lovin it. What I would change if I had it to do all over again - NOTHING!!! I've had a great life and it just keeps getting better.



Diane (Croskey) Sekely Home: 313-565-7829 E-Mail: dksekely@comcast.net

Hi you will know me, no doubt, as Diane K. Croskey back in the day of Lowrey but my married name is Diane K. Sekely and has been for 35 years, my husband is Theodore J but we all call him T.J. except for our daughter Erin Diane, who just calls him Dad!. We waited for 17 years before we had

her and as God would have it, there was only time for one. Our timing is ironic, we are having our 40th High School Reunion and Erin has just graduated from Dearborn High this year, it has

kept us young but we are slowing down. I worked for 25 years at First Federal of Michigan, starting out as a teller for about a year and then transferring to the Branch Administration Dept. where I was finally promoted to Asst. vice Pres. of Account Administration, until First Fed. decided to succumb to the "bottom line" and were taken over by Charter One. Not wanting to move to Cleveland, Ohio we decided I would stay at home with our daughter and have for the past 10 years. I have been substitute teaching for Dearborn Schools but not on any regular bases. T.J. works for Ford and will until Erin is through College so I guess retirement is for others and not us yet, seeing that I just signed up for continuing to substitute.

If we were to retire, we would surely go to the Great Lakes or another waters edge, T.J. has always wanted to be by the water, being an old Navy man, that would be fine for me too but I still joke that if we move out of Michigan it would have to be some where that didn't have severe weather and I pick **Idaho**, don't laugh, do you ever hear anything about bad weather in Idaho?

Erin would have been gong to UM of Dearborn but will be going to HFCC to save Mom and Dad some grief until she gets her Associates in Education and then on to UMD or State, God willing and the Creek don't rise! She wants to be an Elementary Teacher focusing on the Kindergarten or 1st grade level, as it is for now. She is a lovely young woman with a great sense of "sarcastic" humor, which I'm sure a lot of you can attest to with your own. She was involved in Dance for 12 years but made the decision to stop to get involved in High School Sports. Erin played Freshman Softball, JV Volleyball and JV Tennis and then Varsity Tennis for 3 years ending her senior year as Tri-Captain for the Team. She also played the violin from 4th grade until junior year having to give it up due to academic schedu ling problems. She still keeps in touch with music though, working at Anderson Music in Dearborn and she is taking up "strumming on the Guitar" too.

Asked what would I have done different if I could start all over again after Graduation? I would still have married the same T.J. but I would have been a full blown Teacher possibly in the Arts or Culinary Arts. I love music, singing, watercolor painting, drawing and writing. I wish we had all of this "Cyber Stuff" when we were growing up, what a vehicle of communication!

As we all get older, who would of thought it would of happened to us!, I think about Roma Bakery, Chorus, Folk Club, Mrs. Elliot, Home Economics, Football games, the big "Stone Bear" Mrs. Steel in the office, the Three Musketeers: Myself, Pat Stephen and Diane Baxter, we were all called Duffy but it stuck with me, oh, and our "treasured year book signings" and believing all that we wrote, not lastly, but all that comes to my "forgetful mind" is the Class of '66, had a lot of friends in that class.

What I don't remember is the actual classes and studying or homework, did we even have homework?

Who I don't have to remember is my best friend Pat (Stephen) Hart; we have been best friends since we were 10 years old. We have been through a lot of things together and I am proud to say after all these years, we still are best friends and I don't think I could have made it very well without her; I love her and her family so much.

Of my family, my Mom past away in 1998 and I miss her terribly but I still have my Dad who is 82 and lives in East Tawas but is trying to recover from back surgery from this past January. My older sister, Karen, past away in 1993 but I have my other two sisters, Elaine, married and a nurse and Colleen who still lives with my Dad. My brother, Mike lives in our old house with his wife and three beautiful children, all whom I love dearly.

Well, I guess that about sums it up probably far more that you wanted, a bit wordy, but that's me, seems that once I get started it's hard to know where to stop.



Bruce Cunningham (11th Grade Picture) Deceased



Joyce Cusson (11th Grade Picture) Deceased



Noreen (Day) Setzke



Gail Dearvang From 1997 Reunion Brochure: Canton, Mi Retired Teacher; Married Enjoys traveling; reading, learning new skills Achievements: Working with Special Ed students for 25 years; now, I'm thoroughly enjoying retirement, spending at least one week a month up north looking after my folks.



Sebastian Deledda Riverview, Mi. Riverview, Mi. From 1977 reunion brochure:

Sebastian married high school sweetheart, Betty Bellottie, six years ago. He is the father of two children. Sebastian attended college for two years and is now self-employed. Mr. and Mrs. Deledda have visited Bermuda, Canada, Arizona, Alabama, Ohio, New York, Pennsylvania and Illinois.

Robert Deneen – Not Pictured



Robert Dewyer



Barbara (Duff) Papp From 1997 Reunion brochure: Eastpointe, Mi. Clerical Supervisor Divorced; 1 daughter Moments of Glory: Finding a wonderful co-partner for life



Ilene (Elandt) Kranz

From 1977 reunion brochure:

Ilene is a "temporarily retired" registered nurse, married to a doctor practicing in Battle Creek. She now enjoys staying home with her two small children, and when lucky enough to find the time, she enjoys tennis, golf, needle point, gardening and painting.



Eugene Ellefson

From 1977 reunion brochure:

Gene took up studies at Henry Ford Community College after graduation. He was a participant in the Army Reserves. Gene is married and is self-employed as a H.U.D. Contractor – Real Estate Salesman.

Alexis (Emala) Morasco





Mark Erickson

Mark is living in Burke Va. He is retired from the Army. He and his wife have two children: daughter and son. One grandchild. They visit Michigan two or three times a year.



Carol Eritano



Billie Sue (Erway) Rouston 344 Peach Valley Rd. Gallatin, Tn., 37066. Phone #: (615) 452-6600 Occupation: Licensed Clinical Se

Occupation: Licensed Clinical Social Worker. I am currently (last 6 yrs) working in 2 dialysis clinics. Previously, I worked in hospitals, both psychiatric and medical, community mental health, hospice, home health, and even a nursing home. I also have done out patient therapy for several years

while still in Michigan. I am not planning to retire anytime soon. I am only working 30 hours per week and enjoy what I do. I have been married 17 years to Bob. We have a Boat Dock business, and Bob and my son, Tobin build boat docks. We have lived in Tennessee for 13 years and love it. My son has lived here for 6ys. They have a 12 year old daughter, and a 1 year old son. I also have 2 step-sons, 2 more grand daughters and 1 g'son that live here. My daughter, Tara, still lives in Michigan. She has a 16 yr old daughter, and a 10 yr old son. Additionally, I have 4 dogs, a St Bernard, golden retriever mix, Great Pyrenees, and a Shih Tzu, which is one of the reasons we don't travel. Every time we go away for more than 2 days, we start whining about missing the dogs and come home, which probably is pathetic. What I would change if I could start over after graduation, would be to keep in touch with my classmates, because I was

fortunate to go to school with so many quality people, and I think friendships are so important, especially as we age.



Stephen Evarian

From 1992 reunion booklet:

Dearborn Heights. Single. Occupation: GM – Labor. Interests: Evangelism. Words of Wisdom: Tell People their need to know Jesus Christ as their personal Savior."



Karen (Fauer) Jordan

From 1992 reunion booklet:

Happily married and resides in Boca Raton, Florida with her husband and one year old daughter. She is an Executive Secretary with the IBM Corporation and when time allows, enjoys sailing and racing their yacht on the Atlantic. Karen's travel experiences also have to do with the water. She has vacationed on cruises to the Bahamas and Abaco Islands.



Katherine (Fauer) Renaud

From 1992 reunion booklet:

Kathy remains cool, calm and collected in the middle of a 20 year old, a 17 year old and 14 year old. She keeps herself busy as a Housing Inspector for Naval Public Works in the San Francisco Bay area, as well as attending college part-time. Kathy and Ernie are currently stationed with the Navy in California, but call home Washington and are anxious to return when Ernie retires from the Navy in two years.



Linda (Ferla) O'Connor 3730 Polk Dearborn, Michigan 48124 H-313-561-1186 C-313-300-4766 e-mail danli49@hotmail.com

Dan and I celebrated our 38th wedding anniversary this year. We spend most of our time enjoying the company of our children and grandchildren. They all live with-in 5 miles of us and when they're not spending time at our house we attend their sporting, scouting, dancing and school events.

Our daughter, Colleen and husband Craig, have stepdaughter, Katie-14, sons Patrick-11, Liam-9, Colin-7 and daughter Clare-4. Colleen is a pre-schoolteacher at St. Sebastian School.

Our son, Keith and wife Christy, have son Daniel-5 and daughter Riley-7 months. Keith is a police officer in the city of Taylor. Our daughter, Holly and husband Kevin, have two daughters, Brianna-12 and Olivia-3 and a son, Sean-1. Holly is the administrative assistant for a law firm.

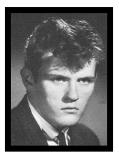


Linda and Dan with their Grandchildren

I retired from cardiac critical care nursing at Oakwood Hospital May 2006. I now work as a cardiac nurse for Allen Park Cardiology (can't quite give up the nursing career yet, I enjoy it too much.) I also continue to teach 8th grade religion class at St. Sebastian Parish as well as serve on the council and committees.

The most memorable trip we have taken was to Ireland. We spend 10 days last summer exploring the beautiful country

of our ancestors. We are looking forward to our next trip there. I'm blessed to be able to enjoy my work and share my life with wonderful family and friends.



Jim Fields



Delores (Dee Fillinger) Massimilla

From 1997 Reunion Brochure: Canton, Mi. Visiting Nurse Married; 4 Children; 1 Grandson



Nancy (Fithian) Steinrock

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I have been married to David Steinrock, a Training Manager for the United States Bankruptcy Court, for 20 years.

I am presently working for Masco Corporation (19 years) as an administrative assistant in the legal department. I hope to retire within the next 5 years. We have some thoughts of retiring to Grand Haven, Michigan where we resided when we first got married.

I have 2 sons from my previous marriage to Mike Wencel: Michael, age 37 and Scott, age 35. I have a step-daughter: Leah, age 27 from current marriage. I have 5 grandchildren: Drew: 15; Alexandra: 13; Jacob: 9; Connor: 3 and Braden: 1. My son, Scott and his two children (Connor and Braden) are currently living with me and my husband and 4 dogs which makes our living life interesting and rewarding.

What would you change if you could start all over again after graduation? I probably would have gone to college and postponed marriage and childbearing. However, if I had not married when I did, I would have never had my two sons, and consequently, if my past (good and bad) had changed, I would probably have never met my current husband . . . perhaps I would have made some of the same choices. However, I would have interviewed for the position at Ford Motor Company when my father brought me home the application.

One of my funniest memories at Lowrey was how Jon Thostenson would sing "Strangers In The Night" to Ms. LaMarca and how she would try to get upset with him and would end up smiling and holding back a laugh.

I also remember how some of us would sneak out at lunch in Mike Wencel's Corvair, and whoever monitored the area during lunch hour (?) would check the heat of the engine by touching the top of the car (the Corvair's engine is in the back) so he could never prove we were out driving it over our lunch hour!



Barbara (Fitzgerald) Cross

From 1992 reunion booklet:

Barbara manages to juggle husband and children 14 and 12, as well as perform the duties of Personnel Assistant for the City of Romulus and scheduling time for family camping trips. The Cross's have traveled to Yellowstone National Park, Florida, and Canada.



Linda Fountaine (11th Grade Picture)



Jerry Franklin From 1997 Reunion Brochure: Burbank Ca. Computer/Network Operations Married; 2 children Interests: Playing fast-pitch softball; basketball; coaching children's softball and baseball. Moments of Glory: Marriage and Parenthood Fondest: Bus 1B; pizza bread; good friends; and being carefree in retrospect.



Judy (Franklin) Wales

313-292-1857 Email Address judes1949@comcast.net Judy and upper classman Ron Wales (Class of 66) have been married for 38

years. He's in Sales and she's employed as a Human Resources Information Systems Specialist with no plans to retire. If she wins the lottery, she'll change her mind and live on Maui – we're all invited to visit! She and Ron have one daughter, Melissa, who is 35 years old. No grandchildren...just a

grand dog. If she could start all over after graduation, she would change nothing. She's happy with the way things have turned out!



Arthur Frederick



Linda (Frederick) Consiglio

From 1997 Reunion Brochure: Mason, Michigan Divorced; 2 Children Enjoys traveling, golfing, and gardening Achievements: raising two daughters; following my heart Fondest Memories: the socializing



Pia Frederiksen

From 1992 reunion brochure:

Brighton, Michigan. Single. Children ages: 12, 9, 8. Occupation: Teacher/Counselor. Interests: Nature walks, biking, volleyball, yoga, weight-training, reading, theatre, spiritual enrichment. Travel: Denmark, Germany, France, England, Hawaii and throughout the U.S.



Duane Fritz From 1997 Reunion Brochure: Dearborn Heights Driver at Ford Married; 2 Children/ 4 Step-Children Enjoys being on a bowling league with his wife; likes to watch boxing. Fondest Memories: Making people laugh in class with the crazy things I did; remembers Mrs. Bussy; movies, lunch room.



James Fuller



Ed Gabrys

Teaching US History @ Northville High School. 33 years. I'm no longer coaching, but I still stay active by starting track and cross country meets. No current plans to retire.

Married to Bette. 27 years this August 9th. Veterinarian. After more than two decades with kids in the house, we enjoyed our first year as "empty nesters".

Mike is 22. Graduated from Vanderbilt this past May, in biology. He will be entering their graduate school of Education this fall. Mike ran track competing at the 1500 and 5000 meters in the spring, and cross country running 8000 meters for the Commodores all four years.

Laura is 19. She just finished her freshman year at Kalamazoo College. Her major is undeclared, but she is looking forward to studying in Germany during her junior year. Laura ran cross country and is looking forward to joining some campus groups.



Gerald Ganski

Email: <u>gganski@hughes.net</u> I live in Lawton, Michigan with my wife Maggie where I'm employed as an engineer. My hobby is boating. I have 4 sons and one granddaughter.



Larry Ganski From 1997 Reunion Brochure: Lakeville, Ma. Systems Consultant Married; 3 Children Enjoys golf; computers; skiing



Marcel Gard

From 1997 Reunion Brochure: Royal Oak, Mi Senior Analyst Married Enjoys personal fitness; photography; astronomy; being a Sunday School Teacher; volunteer in Focus Hope program. Achievements: Dale Carnegie graduate Favorite class was Physics with Mr. Keiffer

Fondest Memory: Favorite class was Physics with Mr. Keiffer.

Bob Gardner – Not Pictured

Married to classmate Dianne Cain for 43 years! See Dianne Cain for information.

Cindy Gay – Not Pictured



Michael George (11th Grade Picture)

From 1997 Reunion Brochure: Factory worker Married to Brenda Boomer (Class of '68) 3 Children; 3 Grandchildren Enjoys Colorado and Utah – exploring, hiking, jeeping Achievements: Buying property in Grand Junction, Colorado – retiring in two years! Fondest Memories: Meeting my wife, Brenda; Mr. Betzing's class was "always a joy."



Steve Gerych

From 1997 Reunion Brochure: Rochester Hills, Mi. Sr. Manager – Transportation/K-Mart Corp. Married; 2 Children; 1 Grandchild Enjoys golf; outdoor home maintenance; travel to warm climates Achievements: Earning my Transportation Logistics Certificate Moments of Glory: Played August National and Pebble Beach. Fondest Memories: Athletics – all conference nominations in baseball and football.



Richard Gierucki From 1992 reunion brochure: Fenton, Mi Married; Children 11, 7, 2 Occupation: Designer – Ford Motor Company



Steve Gnewkowski

Academically, I earned my Bachelors degree from the University of Michigan, a Juris Doctorate from Wayne State, and a certificate in Executive Management from Notre Dame. I was admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court in 1986, and named Advisor of the Year at Western Michigan University in 2000.

Professionally, I spent 22 years in private practice, primarily as a defense attorney representing indigent defendants on cases ranging from larceny to murder. After meeting enough drunks and punks to last me a lifetime, I moved into the corporate world and became a Vice President and Estate Settlement Specialist for National City Bank. I currently teach college classes as an adjunct professor of Business Law.

Personally, Cathy and I have been happily married for 33 years. Together, we raised a son and daughter who are both married, and each has a son and daughter of their own, so I have four grand kids. Our son is a project manager responsible for construction of the new 24 story JW Marriott Hotel in Grand Rapids, and our daughter works with us as General Manager for the three Hallmark Gold Crown stores that we own and operate.

Artistically, I still practice my guitar and keyboard almost daily. I have also co-written three stage plays, one of which was a musical. All three have been performed locally, and two actually won awards. Some day I plan to finish the novel I am writing.

I have enjoyed a lifetime of good fortune, and I hope that all of my classmates can say the same. I want to thank the Lowrey Class of '67 for giving me the leadership experience and confidence to successfully face challenges and pursue so many other opportunities. I treasure the memory of our time together, and regret that I cannot join you this year.



Brenda (Goich) Haan

We're in the process of building a new home in Bancroft, Michigan. When I retired, I began an embroidery business. It started out as a hobby...trying not to get too big...trying to keep it fun and not a big job. You can view the website at: <u>http://www.companycasuals.com/BrendasLittleStitches/start.jsp</u> *Brenda embroidered our red, cotton reunion giveaway bags*.



Rita (Gonzales) Kresuk

From 1997 reunion brochure: Carleton, Mi. Registered Nurse Married; 4 Children Enjoys organic gardening; caring for pets – including six ducks and three dogs.



Barbara (Graham) Monroe

From 1977 reunion brochure: Barbara is living with her parents and working as a legal secretary. In her moments of leisure, Barb enjoys oil painting and music.



Bonita (Granchi) Hetner

From 1982 reunion brochure: Bonita has been married for eight years and resides in Dearborn Heights. She is a very busy mother of a seven year old and two-month old twins.



Lawrence Griglio (11th Grade Picture)

From 1987 reunion booklet:

Remains single and since he retired from Ford Motor Company has been able to keep up with his many varied interests: traveling, hunting, fishing, hiking, tennis, photography, dancing, gambling, cooking, and in general – personal pursuit of happiness.





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I graduated as an RN, HFCC class of 1976. Maybe I'll retire December of 2007 and I plan to stay in Michigan.



My oldest daughter, Oralia Elena Maier-Beecher has lived in New Orleans since 1985. She has been working for Southwest Airlines for the past 22 years as a ticket agent. She has one son, Robert James Beecher, (aka RJ) who is 11 years old and loves to play soccer.



My daughter, Audra Monica Maier lives in the Heights. She has been living in the house that I grew up in since 1991. She has been working as an Engineer since 1990 in Quality Control for



Severstal Steel (previously Ford Rouge Steel). She has one Son, Tristan Colin Maier. Tristan has been attending St. Albert the Great School for the past 3 years but due to the school closing...he will attending the St. Sebastian School in the fall.



My youngest daughter, Cecilia Catherine Gutierrez worked for Ford Motor Company since 1994. Due to the Wixom Plant closing, she recently took the buyout package. She is living in California and pursuing a career in acting and modeling.

If I could start over again after graduation, I would join the military service and study to be a physician. The service pays for your education and would have made my dream come true. I have worked with numerous physicians who did this and now I can see that I could have done this too. I have been

married

twice, for 14 years each time and 7 years in between. I had 3 daughters from my first marriage.





I love living in the country with my best friend, Freckles. Freckles is my farm dog, he is always glad to see me, is a good listener, never talks back, and doesn't hold a grudge. Our house is on 3 acres with many fruit trees and room for Freckles to play.





Roxy Guzman (Present Name: Rocky) 30143 Willow Spring Road Flat Rock, Michigan 48134 Home phone: 734-783-5180 Cell phone: 734-735-8260 Work phone: 248-857-4151 Home email: rockyguzman@aol.com Work email: rocky.j.guzman@gm.com

I have been married for 37 years to my wife Mary Jane and am currently still working for General Motors (38 years) at Powertrain Headquarters in Pontiac as an experimental specifications analyst. I have lived in Flat Rock for the past 30 years so I definitely have time to listen to my XM-radio as I go to work everyday! My wife works for Uni-Strut in Wayne.

I have three children, Michelle (34), Joe (31) and Lisa (30). My daughter Michelle lives in Grosse Ile with her husband and their daughter Isabella (3) and works for Maseba Airlines in the Payroll department at Detroit Metro Airport. My daughter Lisa and her boyfriend (soon to be my son-in-law) live in Vail, Colorado. She works as a Loan Analyst at one of the local banks. My son Joe is a U.S. Marshal and works in Grand Rapids with his wife and their four children, J.T. (6), Avery (3) and Cameron and Ethan who are about 4 months old (yes, twins!).

My hobbies are still the same – baseball, hockey, photography (especially of the grand-kiddies!!!), U.S. history reading, camping with the family, and buying DVDs (the old classics) to watch on my big screen T.V.!

My future plans are to retire within 4-6 years and move to the Grand Rapids area where my son and daughter-in-law currently reside. They live outside of Rockford, which is a beautiful area surrounded by lakes, woods and farmland. Plus, it's only about 30-45 minutes away from Lake Michigan, which is where we always enjoyed taking our children camping and now we get to do it all over again with the grand-kiddies! We had a pop-up camper for 20 years when our children were growing up and now we have a 23 ft. camping trailer.

My greatest memory of high school was just the whole experience! Everyone seemed to just get along so well. My funniest memory would have to be when my "drinking buddies" Bob Dewyer, Bob Alex and I would go out but I can't go into detail as my mother might read this!!! My other funny memory was when I was sitting in the back seat of Jerry Morgan's car and Bruce Cunningham pulled up next to Jerry on the last day of school and yelled, "Jerry, watch this!" He then floored the gas pedal but instead of taking off, his transmission literally blew apart, sending pieces flying through his fender, hood and denting Jerry's car with debris! Naturally, Bruce had a stunned look on his face but I can still hear Jerry laughing so hard!

What would I have done differently? Probably would have spent more time determining what I wanted to really do as a profession, something that I would really have enjoyed...perhaps a history teacher. However, I have been fortunate with working at General Motors. I have survived all of the cutbacks (so far), and hope to leave on my own terms.



Susan (Gyuran) Kochanek

From 1977 reunion brochure:

Susan is married and is busy with two children. She is working as a beautician. Sue and her family have vacationed to Florida and New York.



Richard Hackett Rio de Janeiro, Brazil Cell Number (w/area code)(005521) 81212193 Email Address rkhackettrio@yahoo.com Occupation? Composer. Musician. English Teacher Are you retired? = no...maybe when I die Do you plan to move when you retire?- yes If so, where? - Heaven Marriad?, no. I have four kide acce 22, 24, 28, 20

Married?- no. I have four kids, ages 22, 24, 28, 30.



Three live in the US, one in Brazil. One grandson, Darren, 11, lives Richard New Year's in Rio with his mom in Calif.

My daughter and one son attend Hartford University. Anna will graduate next spring and Dave will be a sophomore. Michael, the oldest, has his own business in Sao Paulo, Brazil, a school that teaches English to adults for business. John, the second oldest, lives in Dallas and sells

Havaianas (Brazilian flip/flops) through e-bay. <u>http://stores.ebay.com/My-Beach-Bling</u> is the web address.

I probably wouldn't change much if I could start all over again after graduation -- just would have practiced my instruments more.

One of my funniest memories of my days at Lowrey was when Louie Lollio dropped a bottle of wine in the hallway. (I think it was him.)



Patricia (Hamilton) Gebbink

From 1992 reunion brochure: Dearborn Heights, Mi. Single. Children: 24 and 23. Occupation: Hairstylist. Interests: Laughing and giggling. Words of Wisdom: "Life is short, play hard."



Jerry Harrington

From 1977 reunion brochure:

Jerry has chosen the rewarding, life-time task of serving God. Jerry is a Minister, pasturing the Downriver Baptist Church in Wyandotte. Jerry spent two years of study in Missouri, obtained his degree from Pontiac, Michigan and is presently attending seminary in Allen Park. He has been married six years and the Harringtons are anticipating the arrival of a "little Jerry" soon.



Jay Harris Deceased, January 28, 2005



Shirley (Hart) Melton



Renee (Harvey) Tank

From 1977 reunion brochure: Renee is living in the Heights. She is a housewife, married nine years and has two children.



Cynthia (Hassen) Gutowski

From 1977 reunion brochure:

Cynthia resides in Sterling Heights. She has been married for almost four years. Her time is devoted to her job, a Medical Secretary, and her hobbies: ceramics, sewing, flower arranging, cake decorating, macramé, and tole painting.



Darlene (Hein) Wissman

From 1987 reunion booklet: "Domestic Goddess"

Devotes most of her time to her husband of eight years and her three children. The Wissmans live in the country where the lifestyle is the main attraction. She lists bowling and camping as her favorite things to do.



Carol Heise (11th Grade Picture) From 1992 reunion brochure: New Boston, Mi. Divorced. Children: 25, 20 and 17. Occupation: Sales Rep.



David Helka

From 1987 reunion booklet:

Married and the father of two. Enjoys doing things with his family. They have vacationed in Las Vegas, Florida, Chicago, Toronto, and Niagra Falls. Dave relaxes with baseball, golf, hunting, fishing and rafting.



Martha (Henderson) Welch

Martha and Chris Welch have been married since high school. See Chris Welch for more information and pictures.



Sallye K. (Herndon) Fagala 1785 Preston Centre Drive Fenton, Mo 63026 314-591-3353 brucesal@earthlink.net

I am still in the dental field. I have been at this office for 17 years. I taught dental assisting for 7 years and then became Director of the school for 3 years. The school was bought out by a bigger school conglomerate and they eventually got rid of everyone and put their own people in place. So I ended

up back at the dental office. Thank goodness I never gave it up, just had stepped down to part time so it was easy to go full time when I needed it. I needed a slower pace and I'll probably retire with the dentist I work for.

We are downsizing our house from 4 bedroom two story to 2 bedroom ranch. It is going to be a big adjustment. Our boys all live in St. Louis, so we don't need a big place anymore.

Bruce and I will be married 37 years this August. He is still with a family owned company that makes and sells elevator buckets and conveyer systems for grain elevators. It started in one of the owner's bedrooms and now is world wide.

My oldest son Matthew has been married to Kelly for 10 years this summer. I have one grandson, Tyson who is four years old. He is delight. He is all boy and loves sports. He should be living north because hockey is his favorite sport; hence the name (Tyson Nash, namesake).

Ryan my middle son is a free wheeler. He is an artist and pretty much walks to his own tune. He has a live in, Marci, (we wish they'd marry) and they've been together for about 5 years.

Ian my youngest son is a Certified Personal Trainer. He has his own business, Essential Fitness. He's an Assistant Manager at Walgreens until he can get his clientele built up enough to quit and do it full time. He isn't serious about anyone yet says he doesn't have time to get involved with anyone.

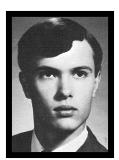
All I know it doesn't look good for anymore grandchildren. I'd like to have them while I am able to enjoy them and not old as the hills.

One thing I would change after graduation would be to finish a four year degree immediately and travel before settling down. I got my education degree in my 30's and really didn't get to utilize it very long. Bruce and I went on two mission trips to Guatemala. We worked in the city dump with the people who live there and recycle garbage. It is amazing how that brings your live into perspective. We had planned on going to New Orleans but had to bow out. Bruce's father got very ill and we had to attend to family business, maybe next year.

I can't think of anything that struck me as funny, although I have fond memories of the plays I used to act in. I loved taking the late bus and stopping at Roma Bakery for a Pizza Roll and Orange drink. That was the best!

Have a great time (at the reunion), wish I could be there.

Warren Hilderbrand -- Not Pictured



Dan Hines From 1977 reunion brochure:

Dan married high-school sweetheart, Linda Nagle. They have one child and presently live in South Lyon, Michigan. Dan attended Lawrence Institute of Technology in 1972 and has attained a B.S. in Industrial Management. He is currently a Bond Underwriter Executive.



Larry Holley

From 1977 reunion brochure:

Larry resides in Wayne, Michigan. He is a manager for Arnold Drugs. Larry and his wife have been married six years and they have two children. He is very interested in coins and trains.



Steve Hornyak Deceased – January 31, 1970

Fred Horvath – Not Pictured

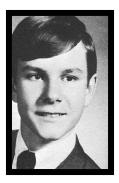


John Hull

I have been retired for the past eight years and I am enjoying every minute of it. I spend summers boating and the fall attending University of Michigan football games and the winters in Fort Myers, Florida.

I was married December 26, 2003 in Las Vegas. We spent our honeymoon traveling on the west coast, with a trip to the Rose Bowl where we saw U of M play USC. It was a special event where I met one of my brothers whose son was a member of the Wolverine team.

I currently reside in Dearborn and still see and hear from many of our classmates and teachers from the days of Lowrey High School. I attend the reunions of other Lowrey classes and always look forward to rekindling the warm feelings of our high school years.



Alan Huls Deceased



Irene (Hunter) Dace



Robert Irwin Retired from American Axel



Michael Jacek

Mike and Vicki Van Assche have been married for 33 years. They have 3 daughters, all well educated and married to fine young men. They have a 6 month old granddaughter and a second one due in December.

Mike worked for General Motors for 37 years and retired in May of 2006. Vicki has just celebrated her 40^{th} year working for a Dermatologist – a job she accepted one week after graduating from Lowrey.

Mike and Vicki wish everyone well. They have attended every reunion in the past but cannot make this year due to a family wedding. Mike is still very much looking forward to the date with Nancy Fithian that she promised him during the last reunion!

Donna (Janes) Shaw

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Currently working in a day care after 32 years in an office situation! Married to Rich Shaw 37 years. He's a Manager, Accounting at AT&T. Our son died at the age of 3. First daughter is 29 and getting married this year. She's a tank engineer. Youngest daughter is 27 and living in Maui, Hawaii and working 3 jobs to live there! If I could start over again, I would have gone to college. I found a great job right after graduation, but quit when I had my son.

It's hard to find a job now without a degree. One of my funniest memories of our days at Lowrey was when I gave Rick a bloody nose (accidentally). Geoff Thrasher was going to help Rick get the guy who did that to him – until he found out it was me; he told Rick he was on his own.

I love to travel and hope to do a lot after retirement; we have another home in Houghton Lake.



Ray Jentz (11th Grade Picture)

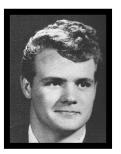


Wayne Johnson From 1997 Reunion Brochure: Grand Haven, Mi. Finish Carpenter / Seminarian Married; 2 Children Enjoys folk music; reading; softball; watching basketball Achievements: remodeled kitchen in just three years Fondest Memories: good friends that made some confusing years more bearable.



Donna Johnston

From 1997 Reunion Brochure: Lincoln Park, Mi. Secretary III Single Enjoys working with stained glass; cross stitch; reading; crafts; and yard work. Fondest Memory: Senior Prom was the best!



Ron Jones

From1992 reunion brochure:

Lake Michigan, Michigan. Married; 10 year old son. Occupation: President C.E.O. several corps. Landfill owner. Interests: cars, work, recycling, environmental issues. Travel: Everywhere. Words of Wisdom: "You never fail until you stop trying."



Pete Joseph



Judy (Jubenville) Stanley From 1992 reunion brochure: Temperance, Mi. Married; children 19, 17, 15, 1

Married; children 19, 17, 15, 13, 4. Occupation: Gift shop owner, free-lance writer. Interests: Floral design, gardening, antiques, local politics. Travel: Nearly all states east of the Mississippi River plus parts of Canada.



John Karolski



Cindy (Kea) Talocco 12126 West Wisconsin Drive. Lakewood, Colorado 303-362-0053 <u>cindy.talocco@comscast</u> .net RN for 36 years, returned for MS

RN for 36 years, returned for MSN, FNP (Family Nurse Practitioner) in 2002. Working at Kaiser Permanente. Speciality area Geriatrics, working with patients/families with primary diagnosis of Dementia.

Two wonderful sons: Nicholas and Hilary proud parents of twin daughters Mia/Emma. Nathan proud Uncle of twin daughters.



Patricia (Keith) Case

From 1987 reunion booklet:

Pat works as a Loan Processor for San Diego Trust and Savings Bank in Sunny California. She has a husband of 20 years and three children. The Keith family has been uprooted many times to accommodate the U.S. Navy. They all enjoy golf and the beach, but Pat likes to read, sew and cook. Pat wants us to know that she thinks of us every winter. Ha ha.



Marie Keleman

From 1982 reunion brochure:

Marie visits us from Portland, Oregon where she's made a home for herself and her four year old daughter. Marie is still self-employed. She comments that she is still an adventurer, which her hobbies certainly reflect. She enjoys motorcycling and hang-gliding.



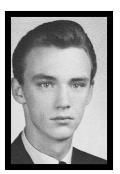
Donna (Kelly) Epley From 1997 Reunion Brochure: Dearborn, Michigan Production/Distribution Manager Married; 2 Children / 4 Step-Children; 8 Grandchildren Enjoys traveling via cruises, antique cars, motorcycling with pop-up camper, spending time with grandchildren. Moments of Glory: the many adventures and friends we've made all over the country through motorcycling.



Warren Kelly Deceased – Motorcycle Accident in Germany – Nov 3, 1970.



Thomas Kennedy

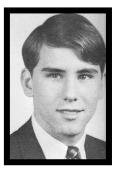


Robert Kirk

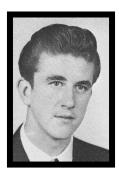
Deceased -- December 25, 2006. Age 57 of Plymouth. Beloved husband of Robin. Loving father of Jason (Julie), Marissa (Rob) McLaren, and Andrea. Dear grandfather of Andrew McLaren. Brother of Mary Gronas and Susan Ambrose.



Paul Kochanek



Mike Kochoff Deceased



Paul Komraus From 1997 Reunion Brochure: Oscoda, Mi. Owner "Oscoda Canoe Rental" Married, 5 children, 3 grandchildren Enjoys hunting and fishing.



Chris Korte (11th Grade Picture)



Louise (Kunnert) Best



Andrew Kurta

Gerald Kurzyniec – Not Pictured

From 1982 reunion brochure: Jerry has been married 13 years and has four children to keep him busy. He is employed at J&B Precision as a Foreman.

Doris (Langkil) McMillan – Not Pictured (Attended classes with Class of '67 -- Graduated Jan '68)



Joyce (Lawrence) Dowedite



Nelda (Lee) Amburgey



Paul Lehman From 1992 reunion brochure:

Vero Beach, Florida. Married. Occupation: Purchasing – Group leader. Interests: scuba diving, deep sea fishing. Travel approx. 300,000 miles each year investigating aircraft crashes.



Eugene "Rex" Leitner From 1997 Reunion Brochure: North Augusta, S. Carolina Married; 2 Children; 3 Grandchildren Enjoys church; playing the trumpet; music Moments of Glory: Holding my first grandchild. Fondest Memories: Band, Glee Club, and Ensemble; the donut shop!



Joyce (Lemond) St. Lawrence

From 1987 reunion booklet: Joyce lives in Bradenton, Florida, is married and is the mother of two teenagers and she is a cosmetologist. When her busy schedule permits, Joyce enjoys swimming and exercising besides caring for her family.



Judy (Lemond) Edwards

Orlene (Leviner) Domenick



Donnell Litzner – Not Pictured



Louis Lollio Louie Lollio aka Lou Lollio Loulollio@aol.com http://www.LOLLIO.com

He now lives in Sunny Southern California. The Los Angeles area. He is a Singer/Songwriter/Actor and also Real Estate Investor. He spends much of his time with his music and has recently been on several compilation CDs with Johnny Cash, Tim Mc Graw, Randy Travis, Dolly Parton, Brenda Lee,

Gaither Homecoming and many others. His CD is available on Amazon.com, Borders.com, Target.com and <u>http://www.LOLLIO.com</u> He attends a Christian Church called the Vineyard. He and his wife Jeanne have been married 16 years. She is an elementary school teacher. They travel extensively. His health is good and he really enjoys hearing from school friends. His brothers also attended Lowrey High; Marco and Johnny, and they were all in the same school at the same time and Louie is the youngest. WOW! 40 years? That must have been before my time -- said Louie as he read the reunion notice. He also said many blessings to all of my classmates, friends and families.



Anthony Lucas

From 1982 reunion brochure:

Tony is interested in woodworking, furniture making and children's toys. Tony has been married 9 years and has 3 children. He is a supervisordispatcher presently residing in Oklahoma.



John Luchini

DrLuchini@Yahoo.com

Occupation, Family, etc: I have been with Cooper Tire Company in Findlay, Ohio for 30 years, and my current job title is "Principal Research Scientist." I continue to work with computer modeling of tire mechanics and analysis of tire testing data for Cooper. Although I am now vested for retirement from Cooper, I need to work for a few more years to get two more sons through high school and college! Tamara and I have been married for 37 years and have 5 children.

Our youngest son, Frank, will be a Junior in high school this year and has just got his driver's license. Our middle son, Tim, will be a freshman at South Dakota Tech, where he has a football scholarship and will study Mechanical Engineering. [Click on the "New Recruits" link at <u>http://www.sdsmt.edu/athletics/football/Fbhome/fbhome.htm</u> -- about ½ way down the web page there is a photo of Tim signing his letter of intent.] Our daughter, Nan, has a degree in Theater from Eastern Michigan and is working at Performance Network, a professional theater in Ann Arbor. Our oldest son, Mark, has degrees in computer engineering from MSU and SMU and is working for IBM in Minnesota. He and his wife will be new parents in September. Our oldest daughter, Kathleen, has her Ph. D. from U of M and is married to Dirk Colbry who has his Ph. D. from M.S.U. They are moving to Tempe, where Dirk will be an Assistant Professor at Arizona State University. Their daughter, our first grand child, was born last November.



Linda (Luck) Miller

Don (Taylor Center 1964) and I have been married for 38 1/2 years now. We moved from Taylor 16 years ago to live in the peaceful beauty of northern Michigan. We have been blessed with 2 daughters, and 3 beautiful, healthy grandchildren. We are both working at our "after retirement" jobs and loving it. My best wishes to all our classmates. God bless and keep you.



Andy Lundgren

From 1987 reunion brochure:

Andy is an Officer in the United States Marine Corp., is single and visiting us from New Orleans. Because of his career with the Marines, Andy has some pretty exotic places to rave about: Duagadougou, Bamako, Niamz, Lome, Sanaa, Quito, LaPaz and Paris. Andy's interests include jogging, bicycling, music, travel, photography and food. I'm sure he's had some memorable experiences with food in the above travels!



Douglas Lustig

From 1987 reunion brochure:

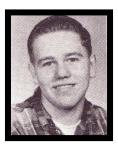
Doug's pursuit of happiness revolves around his new wife and his two children and his position as Branch Manager of Distribution. He relaxes with golf, skiing, and sports in general, and doing whatever it takes to enjoy life.



Pauline Magiera



Michael Malyszek



Bill Mann (11th Grade Picture)

My wife and I will be unable to attend the reunion. We now live in Apex, North Carolina which is between Chapel Hill and Raleigh. We moved here from Arizona last year. I met my wife, Virginia, at the Design Center at Ford and we will be married 11 years. We're both retired with no children except a mini Schnauzer named Heidi. We live in a very nice area, only a few miles from John and Elizabeth Edwards. I met her last November in a Michael's store in Cary, N.C. – a very nice person! We hope everyone has a good time and we wish everyone well.



Tom Marchyok



Terry Lee Marland



Gerald Mathias

From 1977 reunion brochure:

Jerry lives in Grand Blanc, Michigan with his wife of four years, Majorie. Jerry works for Ma Bell while Majorie works as a teacher. Jerry has traveled the Midwest, including Colorado and Washington. He is an avid hunter and also likes snowmobiling.



Dan Mathis Deceased, December 2005



Leah Matney

Roger May – Not Pictured

Danny Maynard -- Not Pictured Deceased, February 2005



Linda Mays



Bobby McCalpin (11th Grade Picture) Deceased



Diane (McFarlane) Becker

From 1992 reunion brochure:

North Palm Beach, Florida. Married. Office Manager doctor's office. Previously: Dental Hygienist. Interests: Tennis, quilting, boating, travel. Travel: Mediterranean cruise (met husband); Middle East, Far East, Eastern Caribbean and Western Caribbean cruises, extensive U.S. touring. Words of Wisdom: "Find a friend, marry him, move to Florida and enjoy life!"



Kathy (McGreevy) Chilcutt

Birth: 13 Jun 1949 Death: 24 Nov 2003 MILAN TN-Kathleen Ellen McGreevy Chilcutt, 53, retired from Milan Express, died Monday at Humboldt General Hospital. She leaves two sons, Kenneth Chilcutt of Jackson and Jesse Chilcutt of Gibson.



Susan McKee From 1997 Reunion Brochure: Aurora, Ontario, Canada Account Divorced 3 Children, 1 Grandchild



Reva (McKeel) Betke



Tim McLeod (11th Grade Picture)



Bruce McNicol (11th Grade Picture)



Rick McPhee (11th Grade Picture) From 1992 reunion brochure: Married. Occupation: Retail Hardware. Interests: Travel, boating and fishing. Travel: Extensively in U.S. and Caribbean.



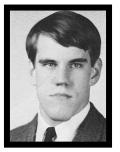
Sharon McWhorter Deceased – Feb 1, 1969



Ruth (Meggison) Kramer 1022 Farnham Lincoln Park, MI (313)388-7478 ruth-kramer @sbcglobal.net Meijers - Pricing & Inventory Retirement: Not yet, maybe 5 years. Married to the same man (Mark) for 33 years.

Sandra (Melvin) McKenna





Brian Mertz

From 1982 reunion brochure:

Brian has been married for seven years and has two children. Brian works for the Department of Social Services and intends to return to school part time. He still likes to run and would like to enter the Free Press Marathon this October. His interests also include baseball and guitar.



Dorothy (Mifsud) Babcock

Dorothy and Larry Babcock from our class are married. See Larry's writeup for information on both.



Mary Mifsud Deceased



Johanna (Miliunas) Phillips

From 1997 reunion brochure: Grosse Ile, Mi Sr. Merchandise Manager – J. C. Penny Single – 2 children Enjoys gardening and home improvement.



Sue Ann (Miller) Barnes

From 1997 reunion brochure: Orchard Lake, Mi. Domestic Engineer Married, 1 child / 4 Step-Children, 1 Grandchild Enjoys golf; traveling. Moments of Glory: Hole-in-one on Dec. 10, 1996 Best score 75!



Frank Miller



Linda (Miller) Allen

From 1987 reunion booklet:

Linda has been married twenty years and has two teenagers. They have recently returned to this area from Houghton Lake where they were living for four years. Linda works in Customer Service, General Offices. She relaxes by bike riding and latch hooking.



Maurice (Moe) Miller mm8849@bellsouth.net

I'm Director of two residential, elderly high rise homes, and don't plan to retire until 2012. Deborah and I have been married for 36 years. She is a retired teacher/writer.

We have two daughters, Hannah 28 and Sarah 27. Sarah is a membership director in the Ft. Lauderdale Museum of Art and has one beautiful daughter. Hannah lives in Shanghai China and teaches biology and American Literature

and an international school. She is also fluent in Mandarin. Makayla is 3 1/2 and is absolutely great. She can already spell her name and knows the alphabet. Her grandfather has already bought her a set of jr. golf clubs.

My wife and I ballroom dance and take lessons most of the year. I play golf as often as possible. We enjoy Decatur and will travel when I retire. I wouldn't change anything if I could start all over again. Life has been very exciting and good to our family.

I remember bus rides home after athletic practices were always a hoot. I hope that folks can enjoy the reunion and hello to all survivors from '67.



Lorraine Miotke

Lorraine is an Infusion Clinician (IV nurse) at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn. She has 4 grandchildren, one 17 two 14 and one 11. They are RV'rs and will be in Nashville the week of the reunion.



Donna Moody



Kenneth (Jerry) Morgan From 1997 Reunion Brochure: Saline, Mi. Diemaker Journeynan Divorced, 2 Children Enjoys woodworking, golf, and raising a teenage daughter Achievements: "Keeping all my hair and not having to use Grecian Formula" Fondest Memories: Ducking the chalk, erasers and tennis balls being thrown at Tom Marchyok in Mrs. Elliott's Biology Class.

Claudia (Mrock) McKinnon - Not Pictured

Bob Murray (Not Pictured)

From 1992 reunion brochure:

Demerest, Georgia. Single. Children 14 and 7. Occupation: Engineering – Georgia Dept. of Transportation. Interests: Sky diving, martial arts, motorcycles, woodworking, kids. Travel: 20 months in Vietnam; then, Canada, Mexico, Japan, Cambodia and Thailand. Three years active army; nine years active reserves – Special Forces. Words of Wisdom: "Life is not a practice for the real thing; what goals would I set for myself if I knew that I would succeed?"



Linda (Nagle) Hines

From 1977 reunion brochure:

Linda married high school sweetheart Dan Hines. Linda and Dan have been married five years and have one child. Linda attended Mercy College of Detroit and has obtained her B.S. in Medical Technology. Her title now is Mother and Medical Technologist.



Darla (Neusel) Lopez



Helen (Nicholas) Kostopoulos

Deceased -- Note from daughter Mary; Helen died of a massive heart attack, July 28, 2001.



Sharon (Nicholl) Buscetta 26683 Pepperwood Drive Woodhaven, Mi. 48183 734-675-7807; cell 313-300-3648; jershar@comcast.net

Still working at Graham's

Optique Boutique and plan on retiring in about 4 years. I've been married 16 years to Jerry who works at Daimlerchrysler. I have two daughters, three granddaughters,

14, 11 and 9 years old. One grandson, 2 years old.



Sharon and husband Jerry



Daughters, Charmayne (37) and Gale (36)



Michael Noe

Ooltewah, Tennessee Married to Yvonne; 2 children Enjoys boating, camping, woodworking, trading old cars Fondest Memories: Playing chess in study hall; pep-rallies; passing the bus in my '57 Ford; Prom Night.



Marilyn (Nunn) Staples



Donna (Oakley) Thiel

From 1977 reunion brochure:

Donna was one of the fortunate people to go to school in Hawaii. She studied at Chaminade College there and returned to Marygrove College in Detroit. Donna is a teacher, has been married two years and has a newborn baby. Her special hobby is handwriting analysis.

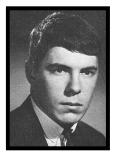


William Opp

From 1997 reunion brochure: Dearborn Heights

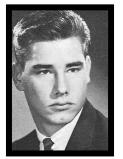
I graduated from college with the idea of becoming a teacher, only to find that I don't like being indoors and don't get along all that well with teenagers. So, now I'm a construction foreman, which means I get dirtier than anyone else but I have a title. I never got married because no sane woman can stand to be around me for any length of time. The dog tolerates me because she is an idiot, and I keep the gate locked so she can't leave. I considered suing

Lowrey High and District #77 for failing to teach me the proper social skills, but my lawyer (and our class president) reminded me that I was damned lucky they were able to housebreak me and teach me to eat with utensils. I can still remember how proud my parents were at graduation. SIGH!"



John Ordus

From 1997 Reunion Brochure: Otsego, Mi. K-Mart Manager Married; 5 children Enjoys fishing, golfing, bowling Achievements: Been with K-Mart 25 Years! Fondest Memories: Lifetime friendships formed.



Tony Ortega

Married to Cindy Barrette from our class.

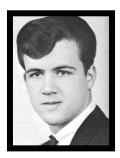
Cindy and I will not be able to attend the reunion this time. I will be at Pocono Raceway for the ARCA race. After driving race cars for the last 15 years I decided to try doing some officiating for ARCA. We sold our collision shop last year after 34 years. We are taking some time off to enjoy our three kids and six granddaughters.



Jo Anne (Papas) Ostlund

From 1982 reunion brochure:

Joanne labels herself the "crazy lady." Why? Maybe because she's been married for ten years, has three children and is presently the Director of the Upper Peninsula's only sanctioned girls' Little League.



Ron Paternoster Deceased



Wendy (Pearce) Paser Married and actively involved in the Teachers' Union in Florida.



Beverly (Perkins) Babicz (11th Grade Picture) From 1992 reunion booklet: Dearborn Heights, Mi. Medical Office Assistant



Pam (Peterson) Tenpenny

Carol (Picklo) Knight – Not Pictured

Retired last year from Lincoln Park Schools (principal) and now lives in Florida year round. Doug and she enjoy Florida's climate and the outdoor activities. Two children: Sherry and Mark.



Linda (Pietroniec) Boyless

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Occupation: Import Agent for a Steamship. I plan to retire in 3 years and maybe spend 6 months here and 6 months there... SOMEWHERE WARMER. I've been married for 27 years to George who is in Delivery/Sales for Pepsi Cola (40 years). My husband and I have 5 children between us. Every one of them is great! George's son, Aaron, is 36. His daughter, Amber, is 33 and was married May 19th in Florida on a beach. I have a daughter, Joanne, 36, and a son, Duane, 33. Then, we have our

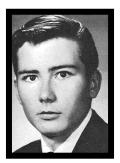
daughter, Alicia, 26. I have 2 wonderful grandchildren. They are the love of my life. Joanne blessed us with a grandson, Jordan, he's 4. Alicia blessed us with granddaughter, Ella, she's 2.

What would you change if you could start all over again after graduation? I would not have rushed into marriage and would have gone to college.

What is your funniest memory of your days at Lowrey? The bus rides. I think I rode the most action-packed bus there was, bus 2B. There was one poor student who would be hung across the inside roof of the bus and he had to stay there until we arrived at school. There was always an initiation going on. One time that same student had duct tape put on his legs and it was pulled off along with all the hair on his leg. The poor guy probably has panic attacks now when he sees a bus. It was funny at the time.



These pictures were taken at my stepdaughter's wedding in Lake Smyrna Beach, Florida on May 19th. The picture on the left is of my family minus my son who was unable to make it to the wedding. The two little ones are my grandchildren, Jordan age 4 and Ella age 2. The second picture is of my husband George and me.



Bruce Plumb

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Manager for U.S. Postal Service with at the time of reunion will have over 40 years Government service and can retire at anytime. Maybe tomorrow???

Spent 2 1/2 years in Vietnam with 1 st Cav. Div Medevac, and 118th Assault Helicopter Company. Also spent 3 years in Germany.

Divorced once and now married to Elisabeth for the last 14 years who is a Drug Dealer (Pharmacist) with CVS.

I have three children and 10 grandchildren;

Lisa	Bruce Jr.	Brenda
Chris - Marine in Iraq	????	Anjellica
Miranda		Emiley
Spencer		Hailey
Parker		Hunter
Olivia		
Amelia		

Roger Goodwin Plummer – Not Pictured

From 1997 Reunion Brochure:

Martinsville, In.

Welder for a power company; distributor of vitamins and herb supplements.

Married, 2 children, 2 step-children, 2 grandchildren.

Enjoys collecting military items, reading, project cars and tractors.

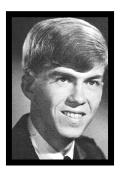
Achievements: VFW Commander, coming back alive after 13 months in Vietnam, being promoted to Sergeant First Class in Army Reserves.

Fondest Memories: I was only at Lowrey for my senior year, but I remember working at "Champs" with my friends. I remember Metal Shop.



Jon Ptaszek

Deceased



Frank Queen



Betty (Radley) Crampton

From 1992 reunion brochure:

Dearborn Heights, Mi. Divorced. Children: 18 year old. Occupation: None at the present time. Interests: reading, sports, outdoor activities. Travel: U.S. and Canada.



Tom Rafferty 22253 Beech, Dearborn, Michigan 48124, 313-277-3244; cell 313-529-2253 JRAF@comcast.net

Currently Director of Human Resources Dearborn Public Schools – Plan to retire 2014 – may move to a ranch condo with my wife of 35 years, JoAnn, who is a retired school secretary. My son Jesse is 31 and married. He is an Environmental Technician and a drummer in the band, Pascal –check out

Pascalgoespop.com. His wife Michelle has a Masters in Public Policy and works with United Way. My daughter, Bree, is 27 and obtaining a Masters in Music Education at Wayne State University.

Life has been good. I don't think I'd change a thing. I still remember Betzing's shark pond as I recall the sharks liked Strohs. There were bottles every Monday.

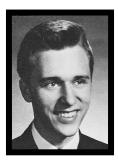
We've lived in Dearborn since getting married. Both kids graduated from Dearborn High. We never left home.



Grover Ramey

From 1987 reunion brochure:

Grover is a Minister in Rose Hill, Virginia. He is married and has a twelve year old son. He lists fishing and swimming as his favorite pastimes.



David Rehs From 1997 Reunion Brochure: Taylor, Michigan Works in Funeral Home (Hope I don't see anyone soon.) Single Interests: Buying, fixing, and reselling houses. Moved 20 times in the last 30 years. Still love music. Achievements: 30 years at G. M. – Cadillac Plant. Fondest Memories: Lunchtime, Hemlock, Chorus.



Jeanine (Renaud) Gunasekaran

From 1992 reunion brochure: Southfield, Mi. Married. Occupation: Medical Technician. Interests: Gardening, exercise, fishing, studying other cultures. Travel: 1974 – joined the Peace Corps. Lived in Malaysia from 1974-1978. During this time, went to the Philippines, Thailand. After the Peace Corps., lived in India (1978-79). Married a Malaysian Indian in Calcutta. Traveled throughout India. Stayed mostly in Orissa. Since coming back to the States, no more travel. Just work, work, work. Words of Wisdom: "Be open to all adventures, peoples and conditions of life."



Brenda (Richardson) McClaskey (10th Grade Picture)

From 1987 reunion brochure:

Brenda lives in Florence, Mississippi and is a busy mom of three daughters ranging in age from 19 to 2. Brenda is employed at Milwaukee Electric Tool Company.



Verlaine (Rivard) Marder

From 1987 reunion brochure: Verlaine is a Nurse and a divorced mother of two boys, 18 and 19. She is planning to leave our fair state very shortly and move to Denver, Co.



Larry Robinson

From 1992 reunion brochure: Dearborn Heights, Mi.

Married. Children: 13 and 9. Occupation: Maintenance – self-employed. Teacher (basic home repairs). Interests: Mach I Mustangs – 70s, antiques (depression glass, some furniture), coins, car parts, computer. Travel: Denmark, Sweden, Cuba, Africa, Middle East, Holland (sailed the seas for 4 long years).



Laura (Rose) Martin

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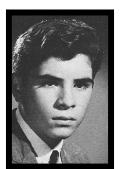
I've been married to the same guy, Paul, for 35 years. I sell tooling and have no plans to retire yet. Paul is a Manufacturer.

We have 2 kids, 1 boy (age 27), and 1 girl (age 29). Both of them work for us. Neither of them live with us. No grandkids. I wouldn't change anything if I could start over again...it's been good.



Kathy (Ross) Wilson (11th Grade Picture)

From 1997 Reunion Brochure: Gautier, Ms. Self-employed Married, 3 children Enjoys doll collecting, antiques, crocheting. Achievements: Success in business and family life Fondest Memory: Graduation Day



Robert Ruiz

Deceased



Mark Rumble

From 1987 reunion brochure:

Mark has been married for six years and is the father of two toddlers. He is employed as a Manager and resides in Davisburg, Michigan. Mark finds time to enjoy boating and camping.



Pat (Rushing) Nicoloto



Pat at the Grand Canyon

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I'm working as a Nursing Assistant and have no plans to retire. I'm divorced with four children.

I homeschooled the youngest three for 10 years; up to high school graduation. It was well worth the effort when I see the outcomes.

<u>Karen Smith (36 yrs)</u>: Married, living in Livonia with husband and 2 children. Recent graduate of nursing school (ADN). <u>Robert Nicolato (28 yrs)</u>: Electrical engineering student. Started the "Nicolato Building and Drywall" business to put himself through school. Rob planned to stay single until after school, but is beginning to allow himself the talk about the time when he will have a house full of children (I think he'll need the wife first). <u>Alex Nicolato (26 yrs)</u>: Is in the USAF stationed in Abileen, TX in the middle of nowhere; a real trial for a guy who's into water and snow skiing, scuba diving, and camping. His son, Conner (3 yrs.), keeps him busy. I don't see either one of them often enough. <u>Valerie Nicolato (24 yrs)</u>: Soon to graduate Nov. '07 from Wright State University - College of Nursing. Val lives with me, we attend the same college, and she is my biking buddy. We are good friends, but when I try to be her "Mommy" she's perfectly willing to help me back off. Interacting in a respectful and balanced way with my adult children has been a learning process. Val's future plans are to go into medical missions.

Three grandchildren, all living way too far from me.

Ethan (8) and Reagan (6) Smith live in Livonia with their parents, Karen and Bryon, who have done a wonderful job of raising them. <u>Conner (3)</u> Nicolato lives in Abileen, TX with his dad, Alex. He is so cute and bubbly. I will see him this summer. I hate it that he is so far away.

If we could put "old" heads on "young" shoulders, there is a lot I would change. But since, in real life, we have to "become" and grow wise the old fashioned way, I don't know what life lesson I would be willing to give up at this point.

You'll have to ask me personally about the funniest thing that happened. Hanging around with Reva McKeel was always good for a laugh. Although she was shy toward strangers, when you got to know her, she was a regular stand-up comedian.

I currently live in the Dayton, OH area and work at the VA Med. Center in the ER as a nursing assistant. Last year I was divorced from a 27yr. marriage. Some of you may know my older brother, Mike. He died of complications from a stroke at about that time. This has been an incredible faith-walk year. God has been faithful every step on the journey.

After home schooling the children, in 2000 it was finally time to pursue my own dreams. I spent 2 yrs. trying to talk myself out of going back to college: "I'm too old." "It will be too hard." "It will take too long." None of the arguments held out against the dream of nursing. Soooo, I took the plunge in 2002 and went back to school. What a brain ache that was at first!. All of the arguments are still there, but my attitude is, "So what!" I hope to graduate in Nov. '07 then move to the Southwest and work with Native Americans. I'm originally from Texas and have NA roots. I travel south as often as possible to form a more concrete plan of action (and find some sinus/allergy relief). With all that said, it's still a faith-walk all the way.

In my free time I enjoy biking (that's a bicycle for all the Harley dudes), hiking, reading, cooking, and gardening. God, family and friends are central in my life.



Jim Ryals Deceased -- Vietnam, August, 1970

Ed Sagen – Not Pictured Deceased



Ray Sain

I'm currently employed at Cross Concrete Pumping in Melvindale. I have been happily married to Vicky (Nowlin) for 33 years. We have 2 daughters, Michele and Amanda, who have blessed us with 5 grandchildren ages 12 down to 6 years old. We also have 2 boys who we sponsor: Ringsumlung 11 yrs old from India and Le from Vietnam, 12 yrs old.

My wife Vicky is a Nurse with Red Cross and has had my heart since we met

at Carters restaurant where her mother worked in 1970. She grew up in Lincoln Park. We have moved and lived in 3 different states since being married; Alabama (beautiful); Nashville, Tn. (too fast); and, of course, Michigan for now.

I only wish I would have accepted the Lord Jesus as my Savior much sooner. He has made my life so much fuller with Hope. My future is secured with Him, and I need not fret over the worries of life so much. When you know where you're going and who is driving, it is a much more joyous situation.



John Samples

John and Laurie were married on October 27, 2006.

Between them they have three children: John II – 39, Sheri – 34 and Allison – 29. They have nine grandchildren: John III – 20, Crystal – 19, Claudia – 11, Matthew – 9, Haylie – 6, Vanessa – 5, Alexus – 5, Andrew – 2, Jaxson - 2 mos. They one great-grandchild: Xavier - 2

John has worked for the railroad for 39 years and will retire in 2009. Laurie retired in May, 2007.

Doug Sanders – Not Pictured

From 1977 reunion brochure:

Doug went on to Wayne State University for three years. He was drafted into the Army where he was in the Missile Battalion for two years. Probably due to the Army, Doug has seen the countries of Germany, Holland, Belgium, Canada, as well as four states. Doug has been married for seven years and is the parent of one child. He works for Chrysler Export-Import.

Helen (Sargent) Czarniak

Deceased



John Sell (11th Grade Picture)

From 1987 reunion brochure:

John is a Californian employed as a Technical Writer and is married with three children. Las Vegas is John's main travel interest. He manages to "visit his money" two or three times a year. John suggests Vegas as the spot for our 25th reunion.



Richard Shaw

14488 Parklane, Livonia, Mi 48154; 734-355-8813; Rickywshaw@yahoo.com Occupation, Manager Regulatory Accounting; plan to retire in 2011. When I retire, I plan to move somewhere near the water. I married my high school sweetheart, Donna Janes. We've been married 37 years this year on June 27th. Donna currently works at a Day Care. Our oldest daughter, Kim, is an electrical engineer working on the M1A2 (Abrahms) tank at General Dynamics. Youngest daughter, Lisa, is following her dream in the arts field

by managing an art gallery and doing photography in Hawaii. Our deepest loss was the death of our three year old son, Jason, in 1979.

If I could start all over again after graduation, I would pay more attention to an education. I returned to college to receive a degree at age 38.

One of my funniest memories of our days at Lowrey was rocking the bus on the trip home.

John Shelton – Not Pictured



Robert Shelton (10th grade picture) Deceased



Charlene Sherlock



Vickie (Simpson) Bracken

From 1992 reunion brochure: Dearborn Heights, Mi. Married. Children: 24, 22, 16. Occupation: Cust. and Maintenance – District 7 Schools. Interests: Bowling.



Karen (Sinks) Bologna From 1997 Reunion Brochure: Taylor Mi. Great Lakes Steel Married, 1 Son Enjoys traveling, sports, attending basketball games, etc. Fondest memories: Kids and Teachers



James Sintery



Roberta (Slivinski) Frank

From 1992 reunion brochure:

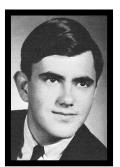
Southgate, Mi. Divorced. Children: 19 and 18. Occupation: Activities Coordinator, Licensed Practical Nurse. Interests: Helping my friends, active in church activities, lay reader and member of preaching team, going to school for certificate in Substance Abuse Counseling. Words of Wisdom: "Never quit trying. It's never too late to make a change."



Jimmy Lee Smith



John Smith From 1997 reunion booklet: Northport, Mi. Production Worker Married, 2 Children Enjoys bowling, cars, and overseas travel Fondest memories: teachers and friends.



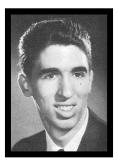
Kerry Smith From 1997 Reunion Brochure: Dearborn Heights, Mi. Skilled Tradesman Divorced, 2 Children Enjoys soccer, anarchy, procrastination



Barbara (Sochacki) Holliday

From 1987 reunion brochure:

Barbara is married and the mother of a 14 year old and a 21 month. She has taken on a huge task of restoring a building in which she is opening an antique shop.



John Soloy

From 1987 reunion brochure:

John is a Designer and has been married for the past eighteen years to Josephine and has a twelve year old daughter and a nine year old son. John and Jo built a new house in Novi recently. John's interested in cars.



Kathy Sowders



Kathy & Her Friend, Rod Stewart

Can you believe 40 years has gone by? Can't wait to see everyone and catch up.

Here's my brief story:

Age: We won't go there.

Moved from Michigan to CO 34 years ago. We have sun everyday, 335 days of the year on average. Divorced after 26 yrs. but have had a wonderful man in my life for the past 9 years. No near plans to get married. Why spoil a good thing, huh?

Children: 1 boy, married with two boys living in CO 15 min. from me. 1 girl, married with 3 girls living in CO 5 min. from me. (I believe they've given up on a boy.) Smart. Grand-



Kathy & Her Family



Kathy & Linda (West) Knaus in Denver

children range from 10, 5, 3, 1, 9 months. All healthy and beautiful (of course). I LOVE IT.

Currently unemployed due to another company (Brocade) acquiring my company (McDATA) back in January of 2007. The job I loved ended in February. I've played, took a couple trips, and spent lots of time with Grandkids. The beauty of an acquisition is you have lots of friends to play with that are also out of work. Broke, but time to do things together. Thank GOD for unemployment. Hopefully by reunion time, I will have another fun job and be gainfully employed. Retirement is not an option. B

The time off from work gave me the opportunity to volunteer on American Cancer Society Fund Raisers and Co-chair the Broomfield CO Relay for Life Run – an all-nighter. All very rewarding and meaningful. Learned a lot, made lots of money, then gave it away.

I thoroughly enjoy Colorado. The mountains are a great escape into beauty. We camp all around the state and reservoirs, go white water rafting in the spring run-off, butt-ski in the winter (that's just where I end up. . on my butt).

I enjoy country dance, concerts, and volleyball year round. My most favorite things to do. . . be with family and friends. God Bless you all. See you at the reunion. Make sure we visit with one another.



Judy (St. Pierre) Karas

From 1987 reunion brochure: Judy is a Food Service Manager and is married and has a nine year old son. Her hobbies are sewing, crocheting, knitting and cooking.



David Staats From 1992 reunion brochure:

Romulus, Mi.

Married. One son. Occupation: AT&T Communications Technician. Interests: Computers, photography, camping. Comments: I'm trying to hang on to a job and get back to the west side of the State."



Janet ("Ott" Stanford) Rice Deceased



Pat (Stephen) Hart

From 1997 Reunion Brochure: Dearborn Heights, Mi. Daycare Director / Banquet Server / Craft Dealer Widow, 2 Children, 1 Grandchild Enjoys craft-making.



Nancy (Sterling) Stelmaszek



Cathy & Me:





Fall Sail 2003



August, 2004

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Writer, photographer, explorer, voyager, mariner, test driver, and student glider pilot. I'm a dual citizen with a pair of passports, always in search of the next perfect destination. I almost never accept cookies, but I'm in the Ann Arbor telephone directory. Find my listing on witchboard.com too, if you're trying to hunt me down.

I satisfy my caffeine addiction with Pepsi One, Diet Coke, and Diet Mountain Dew. I'm an NPR and PRI devotee and public radio supporter, and now also an XM satellite radio subscriber, stuck on the 60s channel.

I parted company with the military in 1971 after having been drafted in 1969, and I'm sure we all were happy when that job ended. I managed to graduate from Washtenaw Community College in both 1973 and 1974 and have taken the occasional class since, but never bothered to finish up a Bachelor's Degree.

Taking my turn at "blue collar" factory jobs, I worked with Unistrut, Ford, and General Motors between 1969 and 1981. I went "white collar" after that, as a computer service manager at an Apple and IBM retailer in Ann Arbor. Following up on the computer service experience I worked as a computer network administrator with the University of Michigan for more than 15 years, until my position was eliminated during a departmental downsizing in 2003.

I earned my walking around money most recently as a contract lead test driver for Hyundai's North American Technical Center in Ann Arbor, which was a great job for someone like me who loves to drive. I'm happily on an early retirement now however, and finally starting to put all those fiction ideas I've been carrying around in my head for years, onto paper. Watch the schedule at your local Borders for my premiere book signing event, or a theater near you for the adaptation of my first screen play.

I'm a former IHRA national class record holder (AA/MS in 1975) and navigated the SAAB/Fortune Magazine team in the 1988 One Lap of America rally to a third place finish.

Moonlighting as a writer and photographer with the GM Goodwrench NASCAR Winston Cup team in 1991, I was able to travel to events from Charlotte to Phoenix "on the circuit". These days I'm driving one of the last Oldsmobiles ever built, and a Ford Ranger Edge pickup nicknamed "Big Bird" as my daily personal vehicles.

I'm still remembering all the good times with my wife Cathy (Warner - LHS '69) following her loss to ovarian cancer after 32 years of marriage in 2005. We traveled North America quite a bit including sailing the big lakes on our Catalina 30 sloop and Chris Craft 26 Constellation power boat before moving on to the world of RVing in our Newmar Kountry Star diesel pusher motor coach. No matter how many adventures we had however, in the end it was still way too few.

Beginning my second lap on life now, I'm thinking about a possible move from Ann Arbor after more than 30 years in the same house. If I do finally move it may end up not being far, as I might decide to stay close to southeastern Michigan because of interests and family here. I just wish the economy and weather were better in our state.

Following a thirty year gap I'm back to recording flights in my student glider pilot's log book, now with the Sandhill Soaring Club near Gregory. Hopefully 2007 will be the year I finally solo and earn my license. Now rather than boats or recreational vehicles, I'm thinking about the purchase of a sailplane for myself.

If you spend time on the water, please take a safe boating course and always wear your PFD. Also remember to drive safely - if it's me behind you in the RV, keep in mind that I weigh about 27,000 pounds and can't stop on a dime. Accidentally wander into the way, and it could leave a hell of a mark. Do good and be well.



Fay Stuart



Karen (Sudut) Anderson

From the 1987 reunion brochure:

Karen's schedule has gone from busy to busier and happier. After almost 20 years in the business world, Karen is thoroughly enjoying staying home with her son, Kyle, 14 months. She says that the long wait to have a child has been worth it and she is savoring every moment.



Terry (Svendor) Brown From 1992 reunion brochure: Howell, Mi. Married. Occupation: Assistant Manager Information Systems



Barbara (Szalay) Van Assche

I'm sorry that Bob (Class of '66) & I won't be at the reunion, but our youngest son is getting married that day. Even the night before, I'm sure we'll be going crazy with last minute things to do. We have 6 kids & 6 grandkids. I have a daughter living in Clarkston, 2 kids living in Belleville, 1 in Taylor & 2 in Dearborn Heights. Bob & I are very active at St. Albert the Great Catholic Church & with the family.



Gary Talocco Lives in Co. near his two sons.



Karen (Teal) Wenetpalo

From 1982 reunion brochure:

Karen is divorced and raising a six year old daughter. Karen is a keypunch operator employed at K-Mart Enterprises. When she has some moments to herself, she enjoys fishing, tennis, bowling and baseball.



Anthony Thibault



Louella (Thompson) Calcaterra

I'd love to see everyone from Lowrey again, but as we're all getting older ALLLLL the time, I feel the need to touch base with some of my aunts and cousins at a family reunion. I hate catching up at funerals and it seems I've been doing a lot of that over the last couple of years.

Hope all is well with you and your's. We're just fine. Richie and I just celebrated our 25th Anniversary in April. Our three girls are grown and doing well and we have 3 charming granddaughters as well.

We raised the oldest one for over nine years; she's back with her mom now and blossoming into a beautiful near teenager. So, these past couple of years are the first Richie & I have been alone as an old married couple. We like it!

We sold our home in Lincoln Park to our youngest daughter back in 2003 and moved out to the country, which has been a dream for a long time now.

We're in Hillsdale County, a couple of acres in farm country with lots of Amish neighbors. Finally got the big old white farmhouse and barn and still loving every minute of a new way of living.

We work together in a factory, not anyone's dream job, but it enables us to be where we want to be and live a simple life. I guess you could call us the "no frills" version of 50 something couples. Lots of flowers, a big vegetable garden, visits with the grand gals, some mornings spent

fishing and doing our stained glass thing in the barn. Not for everybody, but surely for us!

My hope for our class is that everyone has gotten to where it is they want to be and are as content with their lives as we are.

Hopefully, by this late date, dreams have at least been attempted, disappointments dealt with, prayers answered and life is good!



Jon Thostenson 15620 Woodland Dearborn, Michigan 48120 313-336-9836 JTRedwingsfirst@comcast.net

I'm still teaching in the Dearborn School System and plan to retire in 3 or 4 years and spend my winters in Florida.

What would you change if you could start all over again after graduation? I think after getting through college and getting a teaching job – being more committed to a relationship and getting married and having a family.

What is your funniest memory of your days at Lowrey? Lunch – everyday Jay Harris, Dave Bydlowski and I would argue about everything – made lunch a real event.

I have been blessed throughout my adult years – great job, been able to coach high school football and basketball, trust in the Lord for everything, realize how lucky we are in this country!



Geoffrey Thrasher 4683 Dearborndale Dbn Hgts. 734 347 1565 <u>gthrasher@kw.com</u> Single, Realtor at Keller Williams in Plymouth/Canton.



Jeanette (Timlick) Ledin

I'm still married to the same wonderful guy (Phil Ledin class of '65) will be 40 years in June. We have two grown, married children. Our oldest daughter KerreAnn, 38 (my goodness can you believe I have kids as old as me lol) is mom to the two best grandsons a Nana could ever have. Jeremey is 15, will turn sixteen this year and be eligible to drive....oh say it isn't so! Jacob, the youngest is 9 and joy to behold. We are expecting a grand daughter anytime now. Kerre and Eric are adopting a little gal from China. Their dossier was

accepted that August, so hopefully sometime this year. Our son, Ken 35 (my baby) married ten years come May to our wonderful daughter- in- love, Danell, they're talking maybe babies soon, she just graduated with her teaching degree. Life is good. Phil retired, but I'm still working parttime. I'm a bookkeeper for our church and I work with a couple appraisers reviewing their appraisals (mainly commercial stuff). Neither is too demanding and I work at home so can't complain.



Kathleen (Titus) Cooper

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I'm employed as a library assistant at Smith River Elementary School with no plans of retirement yet. I was married for 15 years, but separated for the last 8 years. My husband is a Commercial Fisherman, but now a Behavior Intervention Aide at an elementary school. I have three children. Gabriella Bartek -3 children; Julie (Margaret) Titus -2 children; Jesse Cooper 15 years old.



Beverly (Toma) Hamilton

From 1992 reunion brochure: Deford, Mi.

Married 24 years. Children: 23 and 21. Occupation: Hanging around the farm and keeping things going (sold the store). Interests: Leads "an essentially quiet life back in the woods" (40 acre farm in the thumb area); owns a horse. Travel: Husband has a dragster, so we go to National drag racing events a few times a year. Words of Wisdom: "I'm not sue I have any wisdom to spare; but would love to hear from Fran Boggs, Bev Perkins,

Donna Shaw, Shirley Hart and Jerri Lee.



Robin (Toner) Brown

From 1997 Reunion Brochure: Romulus, Mi. Bank Teller Married 27 years, 1 Daughter *Robin's husband, John, passed away several years ago.*



Douglas Toth

We have a 6 year old grandson, Zachary. I work for Yellow Transportation (formally Yellow Freight). Have been with them for 38 years. Worked in Troy Mi until 1993. Then transferred to Detroit for 1 year. Then transferred

to Des Moines IA for 8 years. Then transferred to Charlotte NC and have been here 5 years now. Plan on retiring in $3 \frac{1}{2}$ years.

My interests are: Racquetball. Have been playing for 30 years and have been sponsored by Wilson Sports for about the last 12 years. I play tournaments around North Carolina and play one national event in Memphis TN every year. Next, I became involved with Karate (sheeton-rue style) for 3 years when I was in my mid 20's and played softball for my church (Covenant Baptist) in Sterling Hts for 10 years.

One of Gerry's interests (and mine) is traveling. We've been to Europe twice, Denver CO, Florida many times, travel to Michigan about twice a year to visit family and friends. Been up New England way a couple of times. Gerry has spent much time taking care of and enjoying Zachary's companionship and his love. I had Zachary playing racquetball when he was 2 years 9 months old.

Diana Trossero – Not Pictured



Roy Turner

I retired from Kelsey Hayes and moved to Tompkinsville, Kentucky in 1989. It's where both of my parents were from and I have lots of relatives here. There were 101 at our family reunion last year. I married Mary West (also from the Heights) in 1999. I love boating and have an 18 ¹/₂ runabout at Dale Hollow. I bowl with my team (the Rockin Rollers) with a high game of 255 this year. I love gardening and raise a good crop of tomatoes, peppers and beans every year.



Roy with wife, Mary



Roy with home-grown tomatoes



Roy Boating



Vicki (Van Assche) Jacek

Married to classmate Mike Jacek. See Mike's writeup for information on both.



Donna (Vause) Lambert



Doris Vincent



Cherry Janene (Ward) Gary 15736 DuPage Taylor, MI 48180 <u>Cherry.gary@comcast.net</u> Relations Manager at Gorno Ford & Gorno Mazda. 10 grandchildren from 3 kids:

Tia, High School Teacher living in Chicago: Siera – oldest grandchild – 14, Eric – oldest grandson (the perfect child) age 12

Michael, construction worker living in Michigan (has 5 daughters): Shelby -13 – living in North Carolina (my southern doll!), Sydney – 9, Cheyanne – 8, Emma – 8, Megan – 5 (two "grandchildren", David 3 and Lindsey 2, are Syd's & Emma's half siblings)

John, works at Wellington Steel and lives in Trenton with his fiancé, the wonderful Kristy Joliet. They have one son, Gavin (1 year old at reunion time). Kristy is a fulltime student in the nursing program at Henry Ford and will graduate in one year.



William Wegge

From 1987 reunion brochure:

Bill has been married for 18 years and has two daughters. He's an Engineer at Ford and is Co-Organizer of the Junior and Senior High School Youth Group at Hope Lutheran Church and still races the clock to enjoy bicycling, fishing, camping and photography.



Chris Welch

I retired from Ford Motor Company January 1st. We sold our house in Allen Park and moved "Up North" just south of Cadillac. It's only about 200 miles...not far...we come back down and visit the kids every month and spend time with them (we see them more now then when we lived there).

Martha Henderson and I married a year after high school (June 22). We have three children and three grandkids. My summer project is building a pole

barn. We have 20 acres that keeps us busy. Martha is getting used to living up here (but she is a city girl at heart.)



Chris and Martha (Henderson) Welch



Stream running through Chris & Martha's property



Michael Wencel











29995 Adams Linda & Jim on cruise 3/07 Gibraltar, Mi 48173 734-675-1754 Home; 313-300-1371 Cell; Lowreyalumni@comcast.net

My 6'4" husband, Jim, and I have been married forever it seems. Both of us are retired from Ford; me January, 2005, after over 30 years. I traveled extensively while at Ford and since retiring, continue to travel; to visit our kids who are scattered all over, to Ireland, to the Caribbean, and winters in Myrtle Beach.

Zach, Linda, Jered



Carlie on the set of West Wing

I have a daughter, Carlie (33), and 3 stepchildren, Scott (44), Kelley (43) and Chris (40). Carlie is single and living in Santa Monica after leaving the Air Force as a Captain. She worked as a background actor on the West Wing while pursing a Ph.D. at UCLA until she became ill and had to drop out. Her health is much improved now and she is working as the Environmental /Industrial Engineer at the L.A. VA hospital. She, also, volunteers for Office of the Americas, an organization that strives to bring "peace and justice" to our hemisphere. Scott lives in Highlands Ranch, Co. with our precious granddaughter, Danielle (5). He works for Ford Marketing and Sales and has no desire to return to Michigan. He just bought a 2nd home in the mountains and tries to get there on weekends. Kelley lives with her husband, Chris, in Seattle. Before moving to Seattle, she was a phys ed. teacher/swimming coach for a high school in Ohio. Now, she's working as a nanny and teaching synchronized swimming. Our other Chris (loves his Harley) works for Ford in Dearborn and lives in Southgate with his wife, Shelly, and our two grandsons, Jered (15) and Zach (12). The boys have stayed with us Friday nights and Saturdays since birth.

I do get back to Dearborn Heights frequently, as Mom still lives in the little house where we grew up. It's great having siblings who all pitch in to help her.

As far as hobbies, I'm too busy to have them! I always wondered how I would spend my time when I retired...now, I wonder where the time goes. I have a goal of scanning all of our photographs into the computer and cataloging them and working on family trees for both my family and Jim's. I guess I'll call these "hobbies"...when I get to them.

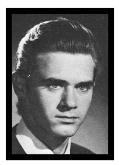


I was sad to leave Lowrey, as well as other, long term commitments. But with every "sad" occurrence, there's a beginning of an unknown, new adventure. That's where I am now, the new adventure of retirement...so far, so good.

Linda crying at graduation

Sherry (Wheatley) Washburn





Steve Whitt Deceased



Edward Wigley From 1992 reunion brochure: Onsted, Mi. Married. Children: 16, 12, 9. Occupation: Manufacturing Engineer. Interests: Golf, boating woodworking. Travel: Las Vegas, Alabama where family took

Paula Wilder

up residency.

From 1982 reunion brochure:

Paula is totally satisfied with her life. She is single, employed as a waitress and says if she had known being in her 30s was going to be so much fun, she'd have done it sooner. She lists her special hobbies as learning new things, being healthy and enjoying life.



Barbara (Wilson Hughes) Bascombe

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I retired from the Department of Labor as Asst. Manager February 2002 after 30 years. My husband of 35 years is retired and we plan to continue living in Georgia. We have four adult children and two grandchildren (twin boys). If I could start all over again after graduation, I wouldn't change anything as I've had a wonderful life. We travel all the time. It's been a long time since graduation and I can't remember any "funny memories".



Clare Wirick



Robert Wyman

From 1987 reunion brochure:

Bob and his wife of nineteen years and his two children reside in Livonia where Bob is a Fork Lift Driver for a major food chain. When trying to relax, Bob seeks woodworking, fishing, biking, camping or hunting. His travels have taken him to California and most of the western states, Florida, the south and throughout Michigan.



Sharon (Wyman) Keith

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I retired from Ford Motor in 2000 went to work at SeaWorld in Guest Services. Married for 38 plus years to Howard Keith who retired from GM 1998. Moved to Florida 9 years ago and loving it. We golf 3 to 5 times a week. I even bought my own Harley. My husband has one, our son who lives in Florida has one and now mom has one. We have two children, Scott (36) parametic at the VA in St. Petersburg getting married in July and our daughter

(31) teaches at St. Fabian and is married and just had our first grandchild, Maya Susan (3 months old).



Christine (Yonish) Balcerzak



Donald Zambo

From 1997 reunion brochure: Dearborn, Mi. Quality Control Supervisor – Ford Motor Co. Divorced, 2 Children Moments of Glory: Birth of my sons

Bob Zander

I'm retired and plan to stay in Michigan. Dee and I have been married for 35 years. She works in Administrative Clerical.

We have 2 boys, one 31 years old and the other is 29 years old. We have 2 granddaughters, Alaina 4 years old and Karen 3 years old. Another is on the way (another girl) due in November.

What would you change if you could start all over again after graduation? Nothing! Because I am very happy with my life, my wife, my children, and my grandchildren.

My funniest memories of Lowrey are riding the bus home with the gang I hung around with and some of the things that happened.



Marlin Zombek

From 1982 reunion brochure: Marlin is a Millwright, is married and has three children. His hobbies include motorcycles, hunting, and gardening.



Paul Zometsky

From 1987 reunion brochure:

Paul, his wife and 3 children are all proud, born again Christians. Paul is a Special Assignment Inspector for G.M. He says, "Thanks to U.S. Seabees", he has seen the world. Back in Westland, Paul enjoys ping-pong, golfing, and singing in the church choir.

Lowrey High School – Class of 1967 Deceased Classmates



Linda Bessega Bruce Borum Bruce Cunningham Joyce Cusson Jay Harris Steve Hornyak Alan Huls Warren Kelly Robert Kirk Michael Kochoff Danny Mathis Danny Maynard Kathy McGreevy Sharon McWhorter Mary Mifsud Helen Kostopoulos Nicholas **Ronald Paternoster** Jonathan Ptaszek Robert Ruiz Jimmie Ryals Ed Sagen **Robert Shelton** Helen Sargent Czarniak Janet (Ott) Rice Stanford Steven Whitt

Reunion Attendees from Other Classes

Diane (Belcher) Anderson – Class of '68 – married to John Anderson of our class. See John's writeup for information on both



Carol (Evanchuck) Bentley – Class of '66 Address: 13825 Somerset Court, Southgate, MI 48195 Phone: 734-283-5243 Cell: 734-775-1555 Email: carolbentley@ameritech.net

I retired from AT&T/Michigan Bell/ Ameritech/ SBC/ and now AT&T again. I retired as a Manager when it was still SBC in March 2001 after 30 years there and love being retired. I would love to move to The Villages, Florida, but plans are not finalized. If not to The Villages, FL, then somewhere warm.



Grandpa Dick Charles Bentley & Grandma Carol Ann Theresa (Evanchuck-Nichols) Bentley, June, 2000

Married: 22 years, as of 11/10/2006

Spouse: Dick C. Bentley, retired in 1999, after almost 35 years at Detroit Edison Underground Cable Splicer. We have 4 children:

Mark, Lisa, Todd and Michael. All are good kids and they gave us 10 wonderful grandchildren who are: Mark 24, Charlotte 19, Carl 17, Brittany & Zachary twins 15, Miquehl 14, Katelynn 12, Jessica 11, Michael 8 and Nicholas 6. The 24 year old completed his bachelors degree, is married to Katie, and they do not plan to make us great grandparents just yet. **The best thing in the world are grandchildren**. The best thing about retirement is that you can spend more time with the grandchildren. Too bad only four are in Michigan. Three are in Columbus, Ohio and three are in Zephyrhills, FL. It's not bad having to go to FL in the winter to see the grandchildren there. If I ever get to move to Florida, then I'll be saying too bad the other 6 aren't in Florida.

What would you change if you could start all over again after graduation? I would have accepted a couple career moves at Michigan Bell earlier. I would have worked with my son on his homework more. However, basically I have been pretty blessed and my life hasn't been too bad. Thank you God!

What is your funniest memory of your days at Lowrey? I don't know if it was funny, but I enjoyed making popcorn way down in the corner of the basement at Lowrey on their popcorn machine, then selling the boxes of popcorn at sporting events with other majorettes. I guess I enjoyed being a majorette in 1965 and 1966 the most.

Additional information you would like people to know about you / your family. I sell Pampered Chef, if anyone wants to order any products.



Dawn (Bloom) Crumpton - 1966

Marital Status - Widowed One Step Daughter Retired From Ford Motor Company I've lived in Canton for 20 years No Grandchildren - Yet!

Angie (Salciccioli) Talocco – not pictured – Annapolis 1974



Jeri Gillihan - 1966 Married to Doug Toth of our class. See his info.



Reyes (Gutierrez) Drewek - 1966

I am a Lowrey High graduate of 1966, I make my home in Pinckney, Mi. I am Mary Gutierrez' ('67) older sister. I retired from the State of MI, where I was Co-Manager of the Ann Arbor Sec. of State. I have a 32 year old son, and I am married to my second husband Chris Drewek, who works for GM at the Milford Proving Grounds.

Business: I freelance as a graphic designer, photographer, photo retouching,



CD/DVD photo videos (I convert photos into videos and add music, movement and graphics). I also do promotional advertisement, which includes mugs, mouse pads, banners t-shirts, etc Reyes is our photographer for our 40th Class Reunion.



Carlene Hackett -- 1965

Carlene is single and has two children Michael 41 and Donna 38, two stepsons, Lee, 34 and Eric, 31. She has seven grandchildren 3 girls and 4 boys. She works for Gershenson Realty & Investment. They do commercial real estate development, i.e. shopping centers all over the United States. I also, assist Ron with the DJing for parties etc. *Including our 40th reunion!*



Ross Helco – 1966



Ross and his band playing at the St. Albert's Festival this year



Ross with Grandson Brad

I'm 60 years old, still water ski and play drums, too. Been email coordinator for class of 66 ---11 years now.



Grandchildren Lexi & Brad





Laura (Mauch) Webb - 1966



Gary Okonowski -- 1966

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Software Engineer with IBM for 25 years. May retire within the next five years and either stay in N.Y. or move back to Michigan to be near relatives.
I'm single – never married. I doubt that I would change anything if I could

start over again after graduation. I attended HFCC then Western Michigan University. After college I entered USAF Officer Training School and was commissioned as 2Lt. I entered Helicopter Flight Training and served five years flying helicopters for Aerospace Rescue and Recovery; then, I cross-trained into jets flying KC-135 performing mid-air refueling in SAC. After ten years of military flying, I left active duty and gained employment on IBM's mainframe computers. After four years, I transitioned over to the software side of the mainframes, working on the operating system software.

Frank Orban – 1966

Frank lives in Gibraltar, Michigan with his wife Nancy. He works for Ford Motor Company in Dearborn.

Charlene (Thomas) Winfield – 1968 Phone: 313-291-4828 -- I have a nursing degree from Schoolcraft College. I worked in the nursing field for a number of years. I now, provide care for my very handsome son, Jimmy. Jimmy was injured in an automobile accident at the age of 15 and has special needs. This keeps me quite busy. He is doing well and is a great kid with a wonderful personality.

Ron Wales – 1966 Married to Judy Franklin of our class. See Judy's info.



Barb (Tripod) Yopek - 1966



William (Ron) Wright - 1964

Ron is single, has two children Julie, 28 and Ryan, 31, 4 grandchildren, 2 girls and 2 boys. He is retired from American Axle Manufacturing. He has a radio show on whfr.fm called "Bill's World" and plays music from all over the world. He also, DJ's private parties, class reunions, graduations, etc. And he and Carlene Hackett ('65) are D.J.ing our 40^{th} reunion!

Senior Prom



Vicki Cronovich, Nancy Fithian, Ilene Dworakowski ('68), ?? (Frank Miller's date) Sue Miller

Jimmy Ryals, Mike Wencel Frank Miller Tim McLeod Earl Wirick ('66)



Bev Perkins, Joanne Papas, Donna Johnston, Dorene Allen, Kathy Titus, Diane Croskey



Laurie Rose

Pep Rallies





- Solution All the girls had ugly gym uniforms.
- It took five minutes for the TV warm up?
- Solution Nearly everyone's Mom was at home when the kids got home from school?
- Solution Nobody owned a purebred dog?
- When a quarter was a decent allowance?
- Signal You'd reach into a muddy gutter for a penny?
- Wour Mom wore nylons that came in two pieces?
- All your male teachers wore neckties and female teachers had their hair done every day and wore high heels?
- You got your windshield cleaned, oil checked, and gas pumped, without asking, all for free, every time?
- Solution: Solution And, you got trading stamps to boot?
- Solution: Section 2017 Section
- It was considered a great privilege to be taken out to dinner at a real restaurant with your parents?
- They threatened to keep kids back a grade if they failed. . And they did?
- When a 57 Chevy was everyone's dream car...to cruise, peel out, lay rubber or watch submarine races, and people went steady?
- No one ever asked where the car keys were because they were always in the car, in the ignition, and the doors were never locked?
- Lying on your back in the grass with your friends and saying things like, "That cloud looks like a "?".
- Mode of the game? Solution and the set of th
- Stuff from the store came without safety caps and hermetic seals because no one had yet tried to poison a perfect stranger?
- And with all our progress, don't you just wish, just once, you could slip back in time and savor the slower pace, and share it with the children of today?
- When being sent to the principal's office was nothing compared to the fate that awaited the student at home?
- Basically we were in fear for our lives, but it wasn't because of drive-by shootings, drugs, gangs, etc. Our parents and grandparents were a much bigger threat! But we survived because their love was greater than the threat.
- Do you remember: Nancy Drew, the Hardy Boys, Laurel and Hardy, Howdy Dowdy and the Peanut Gallery, The Lone Ranger, The Shadow Knows, Nellie Bell, Roy and Dale, Trigger and Buttermilk.
- As well as summers filled with bike rides, baseball games, Hula Hoops, bowling and visits to the pool, and eating Kool-Aid powder with sugar.

Didn't that feel good, just to go back and say, "Yeah, I remember that"?

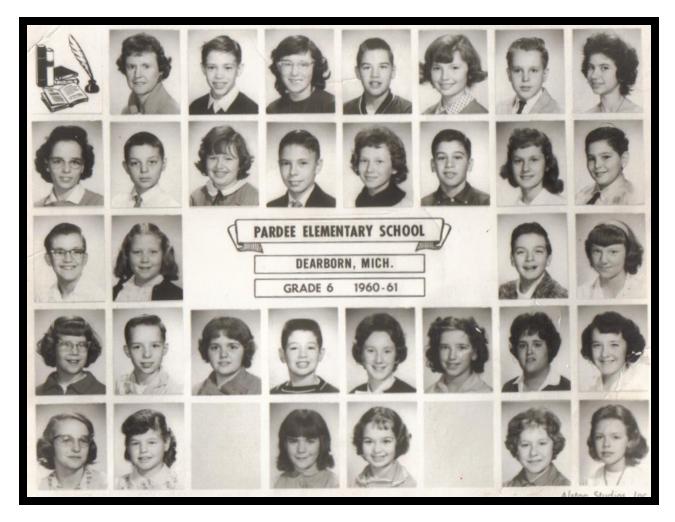
- Do you remember what a double dog dare was, and remember that the perfect age is somewhere between old enough to know better and too young to care.
- How many of these do you remember? Candy cigarettes, wax coke-shaped bottles with colored sugar water inside, soda pop machines that dispensed glass bottles, coffee shops with tableside jukeboxes, Blackjack, Clove and Teaberry chewing gum, home milk delivery in glass bottles with cardboard stoppers, newsreels before the movie, P.F. Fliers, telephone numbers with a word prefix...(Logan or Crestwood 4-601), party lines, peashooters, Howdy Dowdy, 45 RPM records, Green Stamps, hi-fis, metal ice cubes trays with levers, mimeograph paper, Beanie and Cecil, roller-skate keys, cork pop guns, drive-ins, Studebakers, the billboard advertising the new Ford Mustang as we road the bus, washtub wringers, the Fuller Brush Man, reel-to-reel tape recorders, Tinker toys, erector sets, The Fort Apache Play Set, Lincoln Logs, 15 cent McDonald hamburgers, 5 cent packs of baseball cards with that awful pink slab of bubble gum, penny candy, 35 cent a gallon gasoline, Jiffy Pop popcorn, double-dog dares?

Do you remember a time when...

- Decisions were made by going "eeny-meeny-miney-moe"?
- Mistakes were corrected by simply exclaiming, "Do Over!"?
- "Race issue" meant arguing about who ran the fastest?
- Solution: Solution of the fireflies could happily occupy an entire evening?
- It wasn't odd to have two or three "Best Friends"?
- The worst thing you could catch from the opposite sex was "cooties"?
- Having a weapon in school meant being caught with a slingshot?
- A foot of snow was a dream come true?
- Saturday morning cartoons weren't 30-minute commercials for action figures?
- "I'Oly-oly-oxen-free" made perfect sense?
- Spinning around, getting dizzy, and falling down was cause for giggles?
- The worst embarrassment was being picked last for a team?
- War was a card game?
- Baseball cards in the spokes transformed any bike into a motorcycle?
- Solution: Taking drugs meant orange-flavored chewable aspirin?
- Water balloons were the ultimate weapon?

If you can remember most or all of these, then you have lived!!!!!!!

Are you in these photos?



Grade 6 Pardee

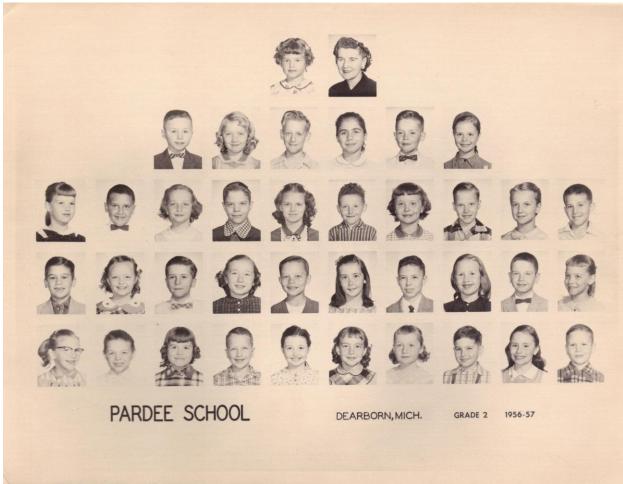
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2nd Row: Diana Rautenkranz, Allan Mettner, Cheryl Davis, John Ordus. Carol Heise, David Bydlowski, Patsy Stephen, John Luchini

3rd Row: Danny Mathis, Linda Nagle, Jon Thostenson, Jeanine Renaud

4th Row: Marjorie Burek, Eddie Martin, Karen Fauer, Eugene Ellefson, Nancy Brown, Sandra Huffaker, Linda Bessega, Linda Caldwell

Bottom Row: Sandra Goins, Ilene Elandt, Betty Pattenaude, Beverly Janke, Cherry Ward, Robin Toner



Grade 2 Pardee

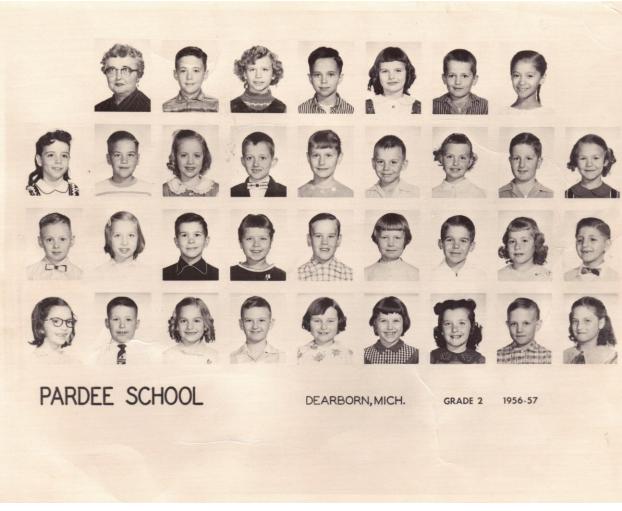
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2nd Row: ???, Sharon Nicholl, Duane Fritz, Donna Rautenkranz, ???, Gail Dearvang

3rd Row: ???, ???, Bob Bonnici, Diane Baxter, Blake Austin, ???, Bob Murray, ???, Mike Kochoff

4th Row: David Bydlowski, Linda Nagle, Jim Sintery, ???, Rick Shaw, Jeanette Timlick, John Ordus, ???, ???, Joanne Pappas

5th Row: Cathy Andrusiak, Jon Thostenson, Linda Bessega, Gerald Mathias, Charlene Sherlock, Donna Moody, ???, John Luchini, ???, Alan Huls



Grade 2 Pardee

Top Row: Teacher?, ???, Lois Caudill, ???, ???, Mary Gutierrez

2nd Row: Diana Rautenkranz, ???, ???, Pat Stephens, ???, ???, Lorraine Miotke 3rd Row: Mike Jacek, ???, Steve Gerych, ???, Brian Mertz, ???, Larry Babcock?, Cherry

Ward, ???

4th Row: ???, Jeffrey Thrasher, ???, John?, Randy Clendennin?, Shirley Hart, Linda Caldwell, Andy Lundgren, ???





Top Row: Miss Haskin, Rick Beattie, Betty Bellottie, Jerry Morgan, Mary Bobrick, Ron Jones, Diana Brock

2nd Row: Sandy Baker, Kerry Smith, Judy Franklin, Bill Mann, Cindy Kea, Harry Layden, Michelle Hickey, Warren Kelly

3rd Row: Doug Lustig, Patricia Keith, David Rehs, ???

4th Row: Verlaine Rivard, David Staats, Helen Nicholas, Roy Turner, Sandra Melvin, Donald Hickman, Donna Kelly, Ed Wigley

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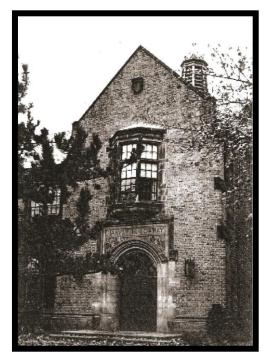
Grade 6 Madison

1st Row: Mr. Ahmed?, Terry Svendor, Mike Kowalski?, Gail Dearvang, Jimmy Sintery, Randy Clendennin

2nd Row: Richard Hackett, Pia Frederikson, Larry Griglio, Mary Gutierrez, ???, Darla Neusel, Jeff Thrasher

- 3rd Row: Linda Nagel, Rick Shaw, ???, Margaret?
- 4th Row: Andy Lundgren, Kathy McGreevy?, Karen Childs, Shirley Hart, John ??
- 5th Row: ???, Karen Sudut, Bob Kirk, Jerry Mathias

Lowrey High School – Class of 1967 Lowrey History



The **Lowrey School** has served its community since in 1927 and was built to relieve overcrowding at **Thayer** and **Miller Schools**. The 1920's saw a large growth in the *Springwells Township Unit School District* with the coming of *Ford Motor Company's, Rouge Plant*. As the number of students increased the areas school system had to adjust.

Designed by **H.J. Keough**, the architect who also designed Fordson High School, used a Gothic Collegiate style, and made the building large enough to accommodate grades kindergarten through 9th. The school also housed a complete library, cafeteria, and fully equipped orthopedic department, which was designed for all students including the handicapped. Additions were made in 1949, and the school was incorporated into a High School as well as its Elementary and Junior High. From 1949 to 1969, the school was used for all three grade levels, however

today it is used only for grades kindergarten through 9th.

Harvey H. Lowrey was hired as Superintendent of the *Springwells Township School District* in February 1922, and served in that capacity until his retirement in 1946. He was also a teacher for over 50 years, having started that career in 1896 at Berlin Center, near Ionia, Michigan. He also served as principal of Saranac High School, Superintendent of Pewamo High School and Commissioner of the Ionia County Schools. **Lowrey** then became Registar and a teacher at Mt Pleasant Normal College. (now Central Michigan University). He resigned to complete his doctral degree at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. In 1922, he came to the *Springwells School District* as Superintendent. Here he served on the Charter Commission in 1924 and again in 1942. He retired and left the Dearborn area, and passed away in 1961 at the age of 82.

School History as Reported in The Lowrey Light

Issue: March 9, 1965

The clouds of war swooped over the nation and America's young men marched off to fight for their country. As the war progressed, those on the home front sacrificed their own wants and pleasures so that the boys "over there" could have it a little easier.

At Lowrey also there was sacrificing. Miss Julia LaMarca, head of the English Department, made these statements: "When the war was going on, everyone bought war stamps and contributed to frequent clothing and paper drives. Many of the teachers and students worked part time to help the war effort."

Miss LaMarca went on to say this about students' attitudes: "Students worked hard without being asked. Extra work was initiated by them. In fact, they worked so hard that the student program included an activity hour to teach them how to play."

Amidst the cries of victory, Lowrey switched from its wartime atmosphere to an air of postwar peace. To accommodate the ever increasing population, Lowrey added a high school. Thus, it became unique in Dearborn, containing an elementary school, junior high, and a senior high as well as a special education department. This prompted Miss LaMarca to say, "All a student has to do is get born. Lowrey School takes over from there."

In 1949, Lowrey's sportsmen entered the Twin Valley Conference, which at that time included teams from Dearborn High, Lincoln Park and River Rouge, among others. With the exception of River Rouge, the others dropped out and such teams as Hamtramck, Willow Run and Romulus joined. Mr. Ernest McBride, basketball and baseball coach at that time, commented by saying, "there is not as much interest in high school sports now as there was during the early fifties. The boys had to hitchhike home from practice to places as far away as Garden City and Taylor. I think this decline in interest is mainly because of more varied activities in school, and especially outside the classroom."

Through the years, Lowrey's Polar Bears have acquired a number of trophies. In 1952 they were TVL Class B Champs in basketball. The same year, Lowrey won the baseball tournament, as they did in '49, '56, '58, and '59. The Netters managed to win tennis trophies in '56, '57, and '58. The track and swimming teams added, between them, three awards in 1957.

Issue: March 19, 1965

In January of 1946, Mr. Dorman Ardis became principal and remained in this position until September of 1950 when Mr. Merwin Lewis took over. It was during Mr. Lewis' years as principal that the suburban student sending districts changed. This was brought about by the building of high schools in many of thee districts. Therefore, the remaining districts without sufficient room or without high schools altogether began sending their students to Lowery.

In January of 1961, Mr. John P. Romanow took over the reins as principal of Lowrey. In his four and one-half years as head administrator many changes came about.

The entire building was renovated in 1962 to modernize and improve the appearance of Lowrey. A few of these changes are the gymnasium where a new floor was put in, the swimming pool and a diving board and new tile installed, the cafeteria with a complete

Lowrey High School – Class of 1967 Lowrey History

remodeling and the shops where new equipment were put in. New physics and chemistry rooms were added in the basement which had previously been storerooms.

But changes in Lowrey's physical structure were not the only ones made. There were also changes in the Special Education Department. Two oral deaf classes were dropped in 1960 and a Special Ed. Nurery was dropped in 1964. In past years, the Special Ed. Students from elementary to high school were in classes with other students at Lowrey.

Issue: April 2, 1965

The past three years have been very eventful in the history of Lowrey. Many changes have taken place in the staff, student body, and appearance of the building. In this issue we will discuss a few changes.

In February of 1963k, Mrs. Kaufman left the counseling staff at Lowrey to take a job at the University of Michigan Dearborn center. She was replaced by Mr. Kraai who also became sponsor of the class of '65. Mr. Boatwright became assistant principal in March of 1964 after Mr. Dzovigian, the former assistant principal took a job at Haig Elementary School in January, 1964.

Many new teachers have now been added to the Lowrey and many have departed. Mr. Wonders, a typing teacher, died in 1962, and Mrs. Weaver, a shorthand teacher, died in 1963. Mr. Gray and Mr. Howser retired in 1963.

In 1963 Lowrey changed leagues from the Twin Valley League into the new Tri-River League. This move proved to be a wise one for the first year because the football team tied for the championship. The change in leagues also created a greater competitive spirit at Lowrey because of the rivalry between Lowrey and Riverside in Dearborn Heights.

Mid-year graduation was eliminated. The last one being in 1963. The student body now graduates in June, only. The plan now is to have full year courses instead of semester courses. This has not been worked out fully yet but first steps have been taken.

This year Lowrey became exclusively a District 7 high school. The 1964 graduating was the last to include District 2 students. The Junior Prom, an annual event at Lowrey, was discontinued in 1963 because of the lack of interest and attendance. A new tradition was begun in 1963, that of the Senior Fountain. This fountain, located in the second floor lobby, is for the exclusive use of seniors, and anyone else caught drinking from it pays the penalty. Another new idea, started last year, is the morning donut sale. Students were given assigned busses starting in 1965 because of student misconduct. This was a bad day in the history of Lowrey.

<u>The history of Lowrey does not end here, nor will it end when this building no</u> <u>longer stands. It will continue as long as there is an ex-Lowrey student who</u> <u>contributes to his society and can look back and say that he learned much from</u> <u>attending Lowrey High School.</u>

Lowrey High School – Class of 1967 Other Reunions

Dearborn Homecoming 2006

Robert Slivinski Frank ('67), Carol (Evanchuck) Bentley ('66), Shiela (Roberta's friend)



'67 Classmates at '66 Reunion in 2006



Kerry Smith, Mary Gutierrez, Jon Thostenson, Robin Toner, John Hull, Carol Heise

Lowrey High School – Class of 1967 Other Reunions

School Tour after our 2002 Reunion:

Rick & Donna Janes Shaw







Rick and Donna (Janes) Shaw

Rick Shaw & John Hull



Frank Orban, Marie (Roedding) Marchetti, Jon Thostensen, Pat (Marcissik) Gawrych, Bill Opp, Linda (West) Knaus, Bob Irwin, Jay Harris

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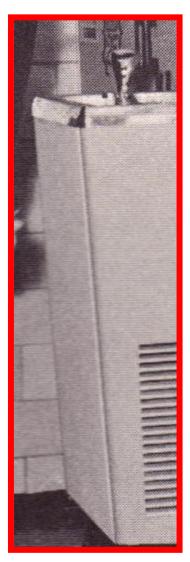


James Davis, Neil deStigter, Mark Forsthoefel



Ray Porchia

Lowrey High School – Class of 1967 Lowrey Tradition



Senior Fountain

The Senior Fountain was installed May 29, 1963. It is located in the Main Hall of the top floor of Lowrey under the bulletin board. The money for the fountain was donated by the classes of '62 and '63. The fountain was to be used by Seniors, only. Anyone else caught drinking from it paid the penalty!



Jay Harris, Linda (West) Knaus, Jon Thostenson visit the Senior Fountain during 2002 school visit

Lowrey High School – Class of 1967 Lowrey Tradition



The School Mascot – the Polar Bear and the Lowrey "L"

The polar bear was adopted as the official mascot for the high school in 1946. It was formerly the mascot for the

Junior High. The polar bear statue, which stands in the second floor main hall, was a project of the Works Project Administration (W.P.A.) during the depression. It was a part of the government's effort to create jobs for artists who were out of work. When it was completed, it was donated to the school by the government. For quite a few years, the statue stood in the study hall, but was then moved to a corner of the main hall by the stairs. In April of 1961, it was moved to the middle of the main hall so that every Lowrey student could see it easily.

Depicted in the tile on the 2nd floor next to the Polar Bear is an "L". Tradition was that no one should walk on the "L".

Lowrey High School – Class of 1967 Sponsors and Door Prize Donors



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Carlene Hackett (Class of '65 and Ron Wright Class of '64) - DJ



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