

JULY 2022

FROM OUR GRADUATES:

Sharon McCarthy Odell: Sharon found this which is so fitting for our generation:

WE ARE A GENERATION THAT WILL NEVER COME BACK.

A generation that walked to school and then walked back.

A generation that did their homework alone to get out asap to play in the street.

A generation that spent all their free time in the streets with their friends.

A generation that played hide and seek when dark.

A generation that made mud cakes.

A generation that collected sports cards.

A generation that found, collected, washed & returned empty Coke bottles to the local grocery store for 2 cents each, then bought another drink and a candy bar with the money.

A generation that made paper toys with their bare hands.

A generation that bought vinyl albums to play on record players.

A generation that collected photos and albums of clippings of their life experiences as a kid.

A generation that played board games and cards on rainy days.

A generation whose TV went off at midnight after playing the National Anthem.

A generation that had parents who were there.

A generation that laughed under the bed covers so parents didn't know we were still awake.

A generation that is passing and unfortunately it will never return no matter how hard we try.

I loved Growing Up when I did. It was the best of times.

Clara Sue Griffis Arnsdorff: “Looking forward to the next 'installment' on a classmate. Jim Monnig's was really fascinating. “

Kay Phillips Sparks: I really liked the tip about the apple peel. I always eat it. I just don't bite into the apple without cutting it first.

Bev Murphy wells: Jim Monnig's story keeps evolving with delightful tidbits. Interesting pictures from Anne! Wow! Especially the ones of Putin. Brave souls in many of the countries so close to Russia and involved in the devastation of war prior but good for them for standing up for their beliefs! Will try to obtain the "Love Beyond Boundaries" book highlighting David and Sherry; sounds like a moving read. The health benefits of the apple peel will make me more aware as I prepare meals and cook. Looking forward to the 80th birthday party! Hope everyone can make it, including me!

Thoughts on aging:

Hal Johnson *"Speaking of age, my wife's 104 (105 in Oct) year old aunt was told by her primary care physician he did not have any more 1917 parts".*

Malissa Starnes Baugh: LOOOOOOOOOOOOOOVE! I relate to so many of them!!!

Tim Lasseter Latta: *These are so funny!*

Betty Barclay Flowers: These are cute & did bring a smile!

Betty Luedeker Gatlin: *I can relate to every one of these.*

Ralph Klatt: Best post I have read in a long time, especially reading the Bible more so I can pass my "final exam". 🙏

Jeannie Dickerson: *Loved these today and started my day off with a good laugh.*

David Dibb: These were good. I used some already. Thanks

Bev Murphy Wells: These age-related whimsicals are great! Enjoyed reading, and remembered hearing some of them originally especially from George Burns! Can relate to many!

Last call per Robert Wilson for the Hamburger Birthday party. Little Red needs to purchase the food that you will be eating so...here are the particulars again. Bring your swim suits if you want to swim—there is a place for men and women to change into the proper attire.

Robert Wilson:

WHS 1960 --80th Birthday party will be held on July 12, 2022 from 1-4:00 pm.

Lake Air Towers Poolside & Clubroom

4924 Cobbs Drive

Waco, TX 76710

Please RSVP to Robert Wilson at :

(210)287-9490 text or call

or e-mail- rwilson60waco@gmail.com

Up-to-date attendees are: Robert Wilson, Mickey/Melody Lavy, David/Janie McPhail, Larry/Judy Thomas, Tommy Ruth Blair Toler, Mary Beth Cash/Don McMahon, Aubrey Stringer/Phyllis Weiser, Linda Sue Phelps/James McKee, Betty Luedeker Gatlin, Gwen Ewing/Wayne Hodges, Nena Hunt/Bob Wallace, Greg/Linda Howell, Jim/Mimi Monnig, Ken/Scot Baker, Judith Hamff Murphy, Melissa Starnes/Rex Baugh, Billy/Jeanette Markum, Gary Roberts/Carol Scarborough, David/Linda Ditto, Howard Dudgeon, Bev Murphy Wells, Kay Phillips/Ralph Sparks, Charlie Sligh, Sue Welborn/Bobby Hopper
(41 signed up so far-- health permitting.)



1 **Tommye Ruth Blair Toler** : “I just returned from a trip through NM, with a day in Albuquerque, and then three days in Durango and the SW corner of Colorado. Mesa Verde National Park was beautiful. I also enjoyed visiting Silverton.”



New Mexico



Silverton, Colorado & parts around Silverton



Mesa Verde National Park

2 **Howard Dudgeon** reports:

A Mr. Knipper flew B29s in the South Pacific in WWII. That is in his obituary that you can get on the internet.

B Wayne Gardner was at the Battle of the Bulge in WWII. That can be found on the internet at Wayne Gardner, Hillsboro, Texas.

C Johnie Riola, coach and teacher at Waco High, flew 250 missions and 1400 hundred combat hours in World War II. This is from his obituary dated 04/03/2000.

3. **Jim Monnig:** Another entertaining story from Jim.

“A long time ago Terrell and I were drinking beer in a bar somewhere off highway 6. It was maybe in the late 60s or early 70s . Two guys were shooting pool and they got in a fight. A fight in a bar is always something and people were getting involved and it was pretty wild. Next to the pool table was one of those little metal tables and a couple of metal chairs. The table was covered with beer bottles and glasses and a lot of money. It was bills and coins. All the sudden out of nowhere Terrell jumped out of his chair, ran over to the table, grabbed it and slung it across the room. He was back in his chair in no time, just sitting there like nothing happened. The place just exploded and there was glass and beer and money and everything everywhere. One of the guys in the fight turned around facing us and pulled out a gun. He was yelling and cussing and trying to figure out who threw the table (and his money and stuff). I was sitting with Terrell. If the guy figured out it was Terrell then Terrell, being Terrell, would very convincingly plead his innocence and point out the wrongdoer and that would be me. I was getting a little uneasy when someone yelled that the cops were coming. The guy with the gun put it away and ran for the bathroom Terrell and I hit it for the door. I feel privileged to have been friends with Terrell since we were at North Jr. I believe him to be one of God’s truly unique creations. I hope you had as much fun as I did, Terrell. You were always the greatest. I have some other Terrell stories and will send them in if people would like.”

4. I have encouraged **Terrell Reagan** to tell us what he did after high school but no such luck as of yet. However, he did send his short story to me in November 2020. It is as follows:

“Short Story as requested

Tried to major in gynecology but was kicked out for taking pictures.

Voted sexiest man alive in 1975 by U.S. Braille Association

Did not win a gold medal in 1980 Olympics
Co-star in movie "Deep Throat."
Financial advisor to Bernie Madoff
Never went to prison....yet”

UPDATES:

Bob Easter: Had left knee surgery this morning, June 28. Carolyn said he is in recovery now and doing great. Everyone is hoping for an easier time of it this year. He is at St. David's Surgical Hospital near Round Rock. Bob said he is ready to enjoy life again and get back to gardening.

July Birthdays:

- 2- Donald Allen Cook
- 7- Mickey Lavy
- 9- Robert Wilson
- 10- Anita Incardona Henson
- 13 Susan Harkness Hill
- 15 Janell Buida Bolton
- 19 Linda Sadler Easter, Ambrosio Silva
- 22 Sherry Robertson Nunn
- 23 Linda Phelps McKee
- 27 George Karahal

Blast from the past:



March, 1958- WHS Sophomores - David Rogers and Nancy Guggolz
(now Mr. and Mrs. Rogers, married January, 1965).

David reports, "That is the Rogers' family Oldsmobile at the time too. Neither of us have any memory of the photo being made." (Picture recently found in the Guggolz family archives)

13 whs '60 couples who married high school graduates.

Tommy Jo Burch- Burnie Regian- still married
Charles Chatham-Melynda Ricketts-still married
Betty Craig-Russell Keeling-divorced, Russell-
deceased
Rodger Felt- Delind Kirkpatrick- still married
Judy Fulwiler-Leverett Lawrence- both deceased
Nancy Guggolz- David Rogers-still married
Bill Harman-Jeanne Holland- Bill deceased

Carleton Harrell- Jan Herring- both deceased
LouAnn Hilton- Jerry Sartor-divorced—Jerry
deceased
Mickey Lade- Bill Bishop-divorced
Waymon Little-Sharon Marsh-still married
Grover Rogers-Sandra Watson-still married
Rita Coates-Ed Burnett-still married

Humor



I JUST FIRED MYSELF
FROM CLEANING MY
HOUSE. I DON'T LIKE
MY ATTITUDE & I GOT
CAUGHT DRINKING
ON THE JOB.

I miss the days when
the scariest thing on
TV was
The Twilight Zone
and not the
Nightly News.



"I don't want to scare you. But Pop says if I don't get better report cards, someone is going to get a good spanking!"