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**Maryville, Tennessee**  
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# Preface

When Mollie Chambers Nicholson called on behalf of the MHS Class of 1963 Reunion Committee to ask me to produce our 50<sup>th</sup> Year Class Book, I agreed readily enough. As a true Tennessee Volunteer, I've never learned to say, "No!" Having produced other complicated projects – for love or for money – I knew I was committing to a long & time-consuming task, but I said, "Yes."

I did not anticipate how much I would enjoy reading about your accomplishments through the years and your memories of MHS, which often reminded me of events long forgotten. I've communicated individually with several of you while working on the project. Some of your stories are heart-breaking, in particular, health problems that your spouse or you are experiencing and marriages gone awry (including my own after 37 years). I've been impressed with your strength and resilience, your commitment to your work and your communities, and the interesting places you've lived and traveled. Your devotion to your families – including those wonderful grandchildren – is evident. Although many of us are retired, some continue working, in the first, second or even third career.

I did not anticipate that some of us – me, too! – would feel trepidation about attending the 50<sup>th</sup> reunion. After all, aren't we all grown up now? Those insecurities we tried to hide in high school resurfaced when we received the email to save the date for the reunion from Bill Beaty.

I was not surprised to see that we share an appreciation for the education we received at Maryville High School, which prepared us for future endeavors and life-long learning. We were blessed to have teachers with high expectations for our success and the knowledge and skills to help us learn.

In 2003 John Edmonson wrote that he might prepare a toast to our class for the 40<sup>th</sup> reunion that went like this:

Here's wishing you've been more healthy than sick; that you've done more living than seen dying; that you've succeeded more often than you've failed; that you've been in love a very long time.

Here's to the hope that you've kept more promises than you've broken; that your parents always enjoyed having you around; that your children or your brothers or sisters have been proud of you at least once in the last 40 years; and that happiness and joy are even within your reach, all the days of your life.

For our 50<sup>th</sup>, I would add:

I hope you're still active, doing more for others than feeling sorry for yourself, finding strength in your faith, your years of experience, and your relationships with family and friends. I hope you're still discovering new interests, making new friends, and going new places.

May we all have many more years and many more adventures!



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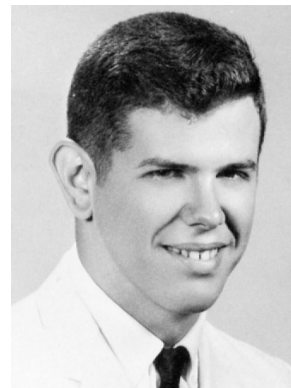
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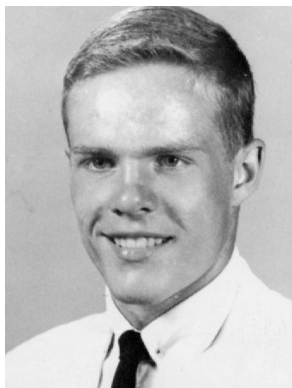
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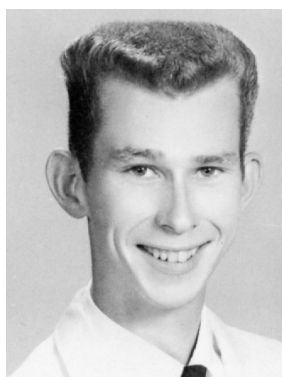
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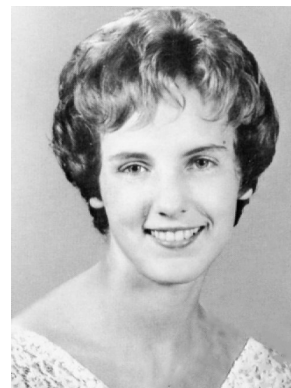
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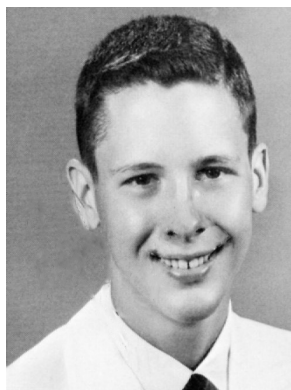
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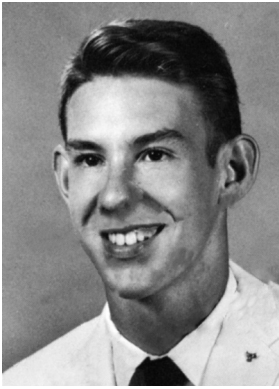
## **In the Beginning**



**Westside Elementary School - Miss Lane's First Grade**



**Westside Elementary School - Mrs. Timmons' First Grade**



## **Claude Abbott**

### **Maryville, Tennessee**

**Email:** clabbott@charter.net

**Retired?** Yes    **Currently Employed?** No

**Spouse's Name:** Tena Kirk Abbott                      **Hometown:** Knoxville, Tennessee

**Spouse Retired:** No    **Currently Employed?** Yes

**Employer:** Toyota Tsusho America            **Occupation:** **Accounting Supervisor**

**Children's Names & Ages:** Claude Kirk Abbott – 30, Frank Joseph Abbott – 28

#### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

Worked in Laboratory Technology for LabCorp and Quality Control with Red Cross Regional Blood Bank. Advancement Chairman of Tuchaleechee District Boy Scouts of America. Organized and direct a handbell choir at my church.

Cpt USA Ret. Active with Veterans of Foreign Wars, holding the following offices:

- ◆ All State Post Commander, VFW Post 5154 - 2011-2012;
- ◆ District 2 Adjutant, 2011-2012;
- ◆ District 2 Quartermaster, 2012-2014; and
- ◆ Tennessee State Inspector.

Member of the Blount County Veterans Affairs Committee.

Life Member of Disabled American Veterans.

Older son has a BA with honors and is working as a graphic designer in Chicago. Younger son has an Associates Degree in Engineering Technology and works in Knoxville.

#### **Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

The marching band parades and halftime shows, ball games, my friends, the dances, and graduation.





## **Libby Pearson Bailey**

### **Greensboro, North Carolina**

**Email:** libbybailey9@gmail.com

**Retired?** Yes    **Year:** 2010    **Employer:** Koehler Kitchens and Baths    **Occupation:** Kitchen Designer  
**Currently Employed?** No

**Spouse's Name:** Richard W. Smith    **Hometown:** Greenville, North Carolina

**Spouse Retired:** No  
**Currently Employed?** Yes    **Employer:** American Hebrew Academy    **Occupation:** English Teacher

**Children's Names & Ages:** Creed Raftery – 42, Bailey Thirloway – 28

#### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

Worked as a kitchen designer for ten years, and then retired for the last three.





# Carolyn Ribble Barnwell

## Atlanta, Georgia

**Email:** cbarnwell20@gmail.com

**Retired?** Yes    **Year:** 2013    **Employer:** The Galloway School    **Occupation:** Early Childhood Principal  
**Currently Employed?** Yes    **Employer:** The University of North Georgia    **Occupation:** Part time Adjunct Professor

**Spouse's Name:** Stan    **Hometown:** Charleston, South Carolina  
**Spouse Retired:** Yes    **Employer:** Self-Employed    **Occupation:** Commercial Real Estate  
**Currently Employed?** No    **Current Occupation:** Playing golf everyday!

**Children's Names & Ages:** Alison – 36, Jonathan – 33

**Number of Grandchildren:** 2

### Activities during Past 10 Years

I have just retired after working in a private school in Buckhead for the past 28 years. I was in senior administration for 18 of those years. I love spending time with my two granddaughters, playing golf and working part time with adults seeking their teaching credentials. I have been actively involved in the DeKalb County Parks Department as a volunteer. Our family enjoys traveling to Maryville in the summer months where we spend time at our family cabin in the Walland area hiking and playing golf.

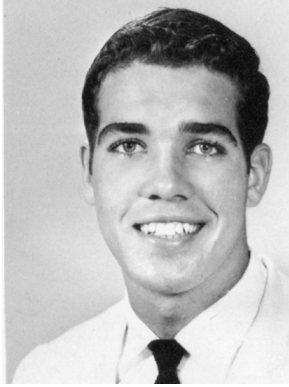
### Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS

So long ago – I would have to say the relationships and of course Friday night football!



Clockwise from top left: family, Galloway School trip to Jekyll Island with our fourth grade students, and Carolyn teaching a class in a school outside of Beijing, China





## **William Everett “Bill” Beaty**

### **Louisville, Tennessee**

**Email:** beatyfam@bellsouth.net

**Retired?** Yes **Year:** 2006 **Employer:** Florida Rock & Tank Lines **Occupation:** Vice-President of Operations

**Currently Employed?** Yes **Employer:** Foothills Community Development Corporation  
**Occupation:** Director of Operations

**Spouse’s Name:** Fran **Hometown:** Maryville, Tennessee

**Spouse Retired:** Yes

**Children’s Names & Ages:** Jill – 41, Mike – 38, Sara – 31

**Number of Grandchildren:** 7

#### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

Moved back to Maryville 2003. Wife Fran and I built home in Louisville on Ft. Loudoun Lake. Retired from Florida Rock & Tank Lines in 2006. Went to work with Kelly Spears that year at Foothills Community Development Corporation. Daughter Jill McElroy is STEM teacher at both Maryville Junior and High Schools. Was former Naval officer and F-18 pilot. Currently, son Mike is a Naval officer and F-18 pilot stationed in Tampa at this time. Daughter Sara is Director of Marketing for her firm in Charlotte.

#### **Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

Decorating and going to proms. Playing on the tennis team. Enjoying most of our classes and teachers. Racing to lunch every day with friends. Hiking in the mountains.



## **Marty Lowe Black**

### **Maryville, Tennessee**

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**Retired?** Yes    **Year:** 2013    **Employer:** Kiser & Black, Attorneys    **Occupation:** Attorney

**Currently Employed?** No

**Spouse's Name:** David    **Hometown:** Maryville, Tennessee

**Spouse Retired:** No    **Employer:** Kiser & Black, Attorneys    **Occupation:** Attorney

**Children's Names & Ages:** Charlotte Grzebien – 45, Elizabeth Black – 34

**Grandchildren:** Jack Grzebien – 9

#### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

Until last year I worked full time as an attorney in Maryville and stayed active in community activities. The past year I have enjoyed taking time to get myself organized at home. I have also been playing two-piano music with a friend and I am learning to play the accordion. Both of our daughters are attorneys: Charlotte works for the Justice Dept in DC, and Elizabeth works for a firm specializing in environmental work in Seattle. David is working on retiring, and we are enjoying a more leisurely existence.

#### **Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

As I reflect on our years together at MHS I am taken by a sense of nostalgia for the opportunity to have gone through school (all twelve years) with such a congenial, solid group. I believe we had a great class, we shared many memorable experiences, and we graduated into the world with a lasting foundation from our years together. Does that happen often now???





## **Lana Waid Bodem**

### **Roebuck, South Carolina**

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**Retired?** Yes    **Employer:** Spartanburg Regional Medical Center    **Occupation:** Registered Nurse

**Currently Employed?** No    **Occupation:** Grandma!

**Spouse's Name:** Douglas Bodem    **Hometown:** Roebuck, South Carolina

**Spouse Retired:** No    **Currently Employed?** Yes    **Employer:** FEMA

**Occupation:** Private Sector Specialist – helps business get re-established after disasters

**Children's Names & Ages:** Scott – 38, Kirk – 35, Tarah – 30

**Number of Grandchildren:** 9 – Scott's: Lily, Asher, Cooper; Kirk's: Izak, Ean, Autumn; Tarah's: Reagan, Henry

#### **Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

I enjoyed the Sadie Hawkins Day dances. I remember the awful Phys. Ed. uniforms we girls had to wear! Mrs. Cole made English interesting — we played a card game with round cards. She dressed in an outfit like a court jester. I was very shy & she let me deliver a speech just to her.



## **Willis Brindle**

### **The Woodlands, Texas**

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**Retired?** Yes    **Year:** 1999

**Employer:** Saudi Aramco (Arabian American Oil Company)    **Occupation:** Audit Manager – Major Projects Division  
**Currently Employed?** No

**Spouse's Name:** Linda M. Brindle    **Hometown:** Frederick, Maryland

**Spouse Pre-Retirement Occupation:** Housewife

**Children's Names & Ages:** Candice Cantu – 40, and Darrin Brindle – 38    **Grandchild:** Jordynn – 6

#### **Activities during Past 10 Years:**

I was unable to attend the last reunion. Took early retirement March 1999 after 21 years with Saudi Aramco (Arabian American Oil Company) (16 years in Saudi Arabia and 5 years with USA affiliate – Aramco Services Company – in Houston, Texas). Returned to our home in Houston.

From May 2001 to August 2012 was under contract with former employer Aramco Services Company to assist the Audit Department with audits of Project contracts and then in 2008 I was transferred to assist as one of the Finance Organization Representatives assigned to the Project Team on the largest (\$20 billion) Major Project Saudi Aramco has ever had – joint venture with Dow Chemical to design and build a grass roots chemical company (now named Sadara Chemical Company).

While in Saudi Arabia we were very fortunate to have opportunities to travel, such as towns near Dhahran, Saudi Arabia; Bahrain; Dubai; Damascus; Cairo and Alexandria; Athens, Corinth and surrounding area; an around the world trip including Bangkok, Hong Kong, Hawaii, San Francisco and other states to visit relatives; Amsterdam; Paris; Zurich and Zermatt, Switzerland; London and a crossing the Atlantic cruise on the QE II.

Since leaving Saudi Arabia, we have been fortunate to continue our travels: four trips to different areas of Colorado; Calgary, Montreal and Vancouver, Canada; New Hampshire and Maine in the Fall; Monterey, Santa Monica Beach, Hollywood and Lake Tahoe, California; Las Vegas; Asheville; Portland and Crater Lake (beautiful), Oregon; Grand Canyon, Sedona and Phoenix, Arizona; and this Spring a trip to Charleston, Hilton Head Island and Savannah. We hope we remain well enough to enjoy more travel – as our granddaughter once said “we ain’t getting any younger here!”



Willis & Linda ~ Wentworth by the Sea, Portsmouth, NH, 10/2011



Linda, daughter Candice Canter, & granddaughter Jordyn Canter



## **Mike Carringer**

### **Roland, Arkansas**

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**Retired?** Yes    **Year:** 2007    **Employer:** FoxCor Inc.    **Occupation:** Construction Consultant

**Spouse:** Divorced

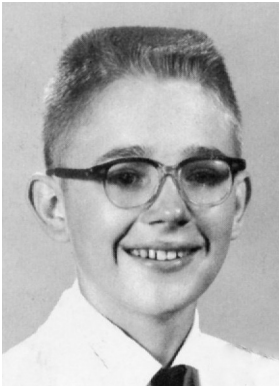
**Children's Names & Ages:** Hayley – 20

#### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

A bit of consulting, notably restoration of historic Saenger Theatre in New Orleans. Playing quite a bit of golf. Continued interest in Christian history and history of science. Daughter Hayley is Junior in college studying technical aspects of film making.

#### **Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

Playing football, classes of Mrs. Cole, Beach, and Hagen. Working on newspaper. Dating. Working my butt off in homework. Rolling Alcoa pressbox and not getting caught. All three proms. Being on my own our senior year.



## **Toll E. Coulter**

### **Louisville, Tennessee**

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**Retired?** Yes **Year:** 2001 **Employer:** Knox County Schools

**Occupation:** Teacher – special education/consultant

#### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

For last 10 years I've been retired. Now spend time hiking, camping, boating, cooking/grilling, current music/concerts, gardening. Prior to this I worked in Knox County Schools supervising special ed. components of the alternative programs and conducting teacher education. Before this I worked in hospital and residential programs for troubled children and youth.

#### **Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

BAND TRIPS!!





## **Kristine Lakey Crocker**

### **Lakewood, Colorado**

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**Retired?** Yes    **Year:** 2010    **Employer:** Raytheon

**Occupation:** Financial & process management of business development activities in aerospace company

**Currently Employed?** No

**Children's Names & Ages:** Bethany – 30

#### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

Retired from Raytheon in December 2010. Life really started for me then, and I couldn't be happier or busier.

Daughter married to Brandon in 2011 – no grandkids yet. I'll probably finish with what will be a 3-year process of remodeling/redecorating my whole condo this year. I visit my Mother (who is a fabulous 96-year-old independent woman) about 4 times a year. I volunteer for Friends of the Library with 3 different jobs. I have a standing Thursday date for lunch with 2 friends when we explore the Denver area hamburger joints and museums or shops or whatever sounds appealing. I love estate sales & go to several a week. I participate in Silver Sneakers exercise programs plus go to the gym several times a week. Life could not be better and I feel truly blessed and a bit lucky.

#### **Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

Most memories are centered on the band and choir: Hanging out in the band room; Marching Band with summer practices, football games, bus trips, regional & state competitions; Concert Band practices and competitions; the deep and undying love for Jack Connell.



Kris with son-in-law Brandon & daughter Bethany Ronco



## **Kathy Hinger Dorner**

### **Maryville, Tennessee**

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**Retired?** Yes    **Year:** 2010    **Employer:** Maryville City Schools    **Occupation:** English Teacher/Librarian

**Currently Employed?** No

**Spouse's Name:** Steve Dorner    **Hometown:** Collingswood, New Jersey

**Spouse Retired:** Yes    **Occupation:** Sales

**Children's Names & Ages:** Caroline Miller – 38

**Grandchildren:** 2

#### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

I worked the first seven years of the last 10 and have been retired the last three. I have worked part-time as Business Manager for the Appalachian Ballet Company for many years and have continued that in retirement. Our daughter, son-in-law and 2 grandchildren live in Philadelphia, so we try to see them as often as possible. We have traveled some and hope to continue. We don't like to fly over the ocean, so that limits us somewhat. Our daughter and family lived in England for 4 years, and trips to visit them convinced us that flying over the ocean is not for us! We love being retired!

#### **Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

My father was transferred to Washington, DC, and I had to move the middle of my junior year, so I don't have as many memories as the rest of you. I remember building homecoming floats at John Kerr's house, taking turns reading Great Expectations aloud in Ms. Haddock's class while she dozed, memorizing the parts of the frog in Mr. Watson's class, being afraid of Miss Ott in the library, attending the Latin Club convention in Nashville where I roomed with Judy Mizell and Susan Lyell White, and being able to speak only French in Mrs. Hagan's class.



## **Lynda Brooks Dyer**

**Dallas, Texas**

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**Retired?** Yes    **Employer:** Conexis

**Currently Employed?** Yes    **Employer:** Self-employed    **Occupation:** Landlord

**Spouse:** Divorced

**Children's Names & Ages:** Brooks Dyer – 43, Blythe Reed – 40, Alison Jones – 37

**Number of Grandchildren:** 5

### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

I worked for Conexis several years before retirement two years ago. Now I am self employed and have several rental properties. When I am not managing these, I am traveling. I also work as an advocate for children in the court system.





**John Edmondson**  
**Marshville, North Carolina**

**Email:** jpeteymail@aol.com

**Retired?** No    **Currently Employed?** Yes    **Occupation:** Newspaper Editor

**Spouse's Name:** N/A

**Children's Names & Ages:** Scott – 41; Ruthie – 34

**Number of Grandchildren:** 2

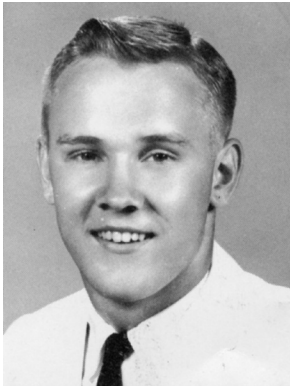
**Activities during Past 10 Years**

Owner of a weekly newspaper in rural North Carolina. I enjoy traveling, working outdoors and golf.

**Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

Good friends, social events, building floats, June 1963





## **Frank M. Eggers, II**

### **Memphis, Tennessee**

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**Retired?** No    **Currently Employed?** Yes

**Employer:** Mid-South Imaging and Therapeutics, P.A.    **Occupation:** Neuroradiologist

**Spouse's Name:** Sandy J. Eggers, Ph.D.    **Hometown:** Johnson City, Tennessee

**Spouse Retired:** Yes

**Employer:** Emmanuel United Methodist Preschool; University of Memphis    **Occupation:** Teacher; Professor

**Currently Employed?** No

**Children's Names:** Leann Eggers Linam, M.D., and D. Hamilton Eggers

**Number of Grandchildren:** 5 (from 5 – 9 years)

#### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

Active practice Neuroradiology

Avid sports fan

#### **Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

Football games – beating Everett & Alcoa

Mr. Watson, Mr. Niles, and Mrs. Baker



## **Joe Eldridge**

### **Washington, DC**

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**Retired?** No    **Currently Employed?** Yes    **Employer:** American University    **Occupation:** University Chaplin

**Spouse's Name:** Maria Otero    **Hometown:** La Paz, Bolivia

**Spouse Retired:** Yes    **Year:** 2013    **Employer:** Department of State

**Occupation:** Undersecretary for Citizen Security, Human Rights and Democracy

**Children's Names & Ages:** Justin – 30, David – 28, Ana – 26    **Number of Grandchildren:** 1

#### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

AU, specifically an interfaith center, has been my professional home for the past 15 years. More than two dozen faith communities are represented in the Kay Spiritual Life Center. The university has also provided multiple opportunities to teach a variety of courses in the School of International Service as an adjunct. I have also found meaning in serving on a variety of boards of NGOs and foundations including the United States Institute for Peace, the Center for International Policy, Santiago College in Chile, the Arca Foundation, the Washington Office on Latin America (WOLA), and the Rothko Chapel in Houston. Maria served for many years as president of Accion International, a micro-finance development organization before she was tapped by Secretary of State Clinton to serve as an undersecretary. Our oldest son Justin works for a social entrepreneur impact investor in Latin American (Dev Equity), David works as a teacher for a social services agency in Maryland, and Ana is a mother (Lila is 2) and works at an early education center in Queens.

#### **Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

Having moved to Maryville in the middle of the 10th grade from Fulton High in Knoxville I was very behind in algebra and had to take algebra 1-10 to catch up (not that I ever really did). I also remember scrambling to establish an identity which seemed always to be a work in progress. I recall with sweet nostalgia the obligatory drive through the Dwarf (I think that was the name) in the family's '55 Ford with spinner hubcaps. Enthusiasm for the football and BB teams was contagious and I loved being in the middle of it. Most lasting is the affection I felt from friends (and teachers) whose steadfast support helped me keep my equilibrium over the bumps and glory that is high school.





## **Babs Brakebill Finley**

### **Maryville, Tennessee**

**Email:** bbfny@aol.com

**Retired?** Yes **Year:** 2007 **Employer:** Blount County Schools **Occupation:** Teacher  
**Currently Employed?** No

**Spouse's Name:** Charles Finley **Hometown:** Maryville, Tennessee  
**Spouse Retired:** Yes **Year:** 2000 **Employer:** Blount County Schools **Occupation:** Principal  
**Currently Employed?** No

**Children's Names & Ages:** Chris – 43, David – 35

**Number of Grandchildren:** 5

#### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

After teaching school for forty years, I retired in 2007. Now I have the time to follow the many activities of my grandchildren.

Charlie (my husband) stays busy helping coach girls' basketball at Alcoa High School. He also serves on the Blount County Board of Education.

Both of my sons live and work in Maryville. Chris is an attorney with Garner and Conner, and David is a VP at Foothills Bank and Trust. They have beautiful families and are wonderful fathers!!

#### **Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

Even though my mind is not as sharp as it once was, I do "remember when" we were at MHS. How could one forget when Miss Haddox read aloud from Tale of Two Cities? ( Didn't someone jokingly re-arrange the words in the title?) Since I actually had to practice doing front and back rolls at home, I have NOT forgotten PE or the fashionable gym suits we wore. Am glad we did not wear them when we left school at lunch to walk to Circle Drive. I can still taste the cheeseburgers and coconut pie! Amidst the laughs are memories of the book lists, themes, and speeches for Mrs. Cate and Mrs. Cole. While I remember thinking that we were over-worked, I know now that we were being taught to think, speak, and write...life skills which without a doubt had an impact on who we are today! Looking forward to getting reacquainted!!





## **Melissa Ann Baker Furrow**

### **Knoxville, Tennessee**

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**Current Occupation:** Trying to stay active, healthy, and alive!

**Spouse's Name:** Sam                    **Hometown:** Knoxville, Tennessee

**Spouse Retired:** No    **Currently Employed?** Yes    **Employer:** Self-employed    **Occupation:** Businessman

**Children's Names & Ages:** Lee Ann Tolsma – 42, Jay – 40

**Number of Grandchildren:** 3 – John – 9; Ann Baker – 7, Lee Belle – 5

#### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

Sam and I have enjoyed our involvement in community and educational organizations over the years. I am currently on 2 national Christian boards. For the last 16 years we have spent the summer in Nantucket, MA. Our daughter, her husband, and 3 grandchildren live 2 houses from us. Our son is a businessman in Los Angeles.

#### **Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

I loved everything about my years at Maryville High School – my classmates; teachers (Mrs. Beach, Mrs. Cate, Mrs. Cole, Mrs. Murphy, Mr. Niles, and Mr. Roberts, etc.); staff (Mr. Williams, Mrs. McNabb); the clubs and activities; athletics (especially basketball and the away trips); Debs (rolling a peanut with your nose down Broadway for initiation); the narrow hallways and steps full of students and teachers making sure you behaved; and my mother's algebra class! Oh, just remembered going out to lunch for coconut cream pie! My life and memories at Maryville High School were the foundation for the rest of my life!





# Sally Everett Gresham

## Marietta, Georgia

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**Retired?** Yes    **Employer:** Precept Ministries Intl. & Walk thru the Bible Ministry

**Occupation:** Workshop Trainer in Inductive Study Methods; free-lance writer

**Currently Employed?** No, but involved almost full-time as co-founder of school for pastors in Kenya (providence-trainingcenter.org)

**Spouse's Name:** Thomas S. Gresham (deceased)

**Children's Names & Ages:** Meredith (Mitzi) – 42, Mark – 37, Matt – 29    **Grandchildren:** 1

### Activities during Past 10 Years

The last ten years of my life began with my youngest child Matt (born when I was 39!) leaving the nest in 2003. Ending the decade was the long-awaited arrival of my first grandchild just born to my son Mark in July. In between those landmark events my life took an interesting and most unexpected turn. In 2006 I was invited to Africa to teach 52 Christian pastors in a week-long conference. While I was there God broke my heart over a people with so much zeal for Christ but with so few resources and thus, so little knowledge of truth. Since then I have been immersed in training similar marginalized pastors...those without the financial means and/or the educational prerequisites to attend a Bible school or seminary. This target group comprises the majority of pastors in Africa.

With an equally passionate friend who had accompanied me on that first trip and with the backing of my church, we started a school in a rented facility in Nairobi, Kenya. Eventually we purchased our own property on which we have been teaching (and building) ever since. See [www.providencetrainingcenter.org](http://www.providencetrainingcenter.org). Needless to say, it has been an exciting (and often frustrating) cross-cultural adventure, especially since we also are creating a business that eventually will enable self-sustainability of the school. This project pretty much has consumed my life since 2006 with over 17 trips to Kenya. During the same time I went back to school & earned a MA in Christian Studies, just graduating at age 68 this past May! One old adage I definitely can confirm from that experience – School *IS* wasted on the young. I loved every minute of it and even graduated summa cum laude.

One other event that has impacted my life (also in 2006) was a 10 day rafting trip down the Colorado River in the Grand Canyon with my older son Mark and some other friends. We rafted 180 miles with Arizona River Runners camping at a different spot each night... with gourmet meals prepared by our river guides. We were taught along the way by geologists from Institute of Creation Science and Tom Vail of Canyon Ministries. What a trip!!



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## **Sally Everett Gresham**

**Marietta, Georgia**

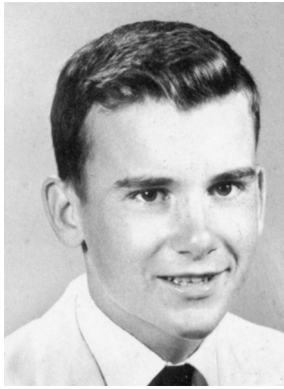
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My three children keep me entertained with their diverse lives and interests. My daughter Mitzi (Meredith Scott) is 42, still single, very active, and has been in ministry since college. Mark, age 37, is my only married child – he just got married 13 months ago. He graduated in mechanical engineering and currently is a partner with Marietta X-Ray Non-Destructive Testing. Both Mitzi and Mark have homes relatively near me in Marietta. Son Matt (29) is my happy-go-lucky child who lives in Taos, New Mexico. He manages a ski shop in the winter and is a river rafting guide the rest of the year. He also does extreme skiing. He always has been my “extreme” kid and, of course, explains why my hair is totally white.

### ***Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS***

- ◆ Relationships; Zestos; ballgames; sock hops; pep rallies; band
- ◆ Congregating after lunch with fellow classmates on the hallway steps going down to Ms. Reed’s Latin II class where we crammed for her class sessions...full of fear and dread. That class ruined my GPA!
- ◆ Spending endless hours every evening at home doing homework including many late night phone study sessions with Algebra II classmates.
- ◆ Leaving campus every day senior year with several friends for lunch at the diner next to White Store. Since we only had 30 min., Mrs. Farmer, owner & cook, would have our lunch ready & waiting. I had a grilled cheese sandwich, fries, coke & a piece of homemade egg custard pie every single day - all for 52 cents. I never had the extra 2 cents tax since my parents only gave me the required \$2.50 per week for school lunch, but the gracious owner forgave that amount all year.
- ◆ Lots of good times in band with Mr. Connell. Loved that man! He taught me a lot.
- ◆ Throwing up before my solo at a solo-ensemble festival at Carson Newman. My nerves always got the best of me before those things or any time I had to play sans sheet music.
- ◆ Working on homecoming floats, prom decorations, ballgame streamers, banners, etc.
- ◆ Lots and lots of time with a certain someone.
- ◆ All in all, those were great years with great memories!



## **William Eddie “Ed” Harmon**

### **Maryville, Tennessee**

**Email:** weharmon@msn.com

**Retired?** Yes    **Year:** 2003    **Occupation:** Owned a business in Pigeon Forge

**Currently Employed?** No

#### ***Activities during Past 10 Years***

Honorary Doctorate Degree, Hiwassee College, 2008

Board of Trustees, Hiwassee College

Member, Board of Directors, Maryville College

Avid traveler, including 3 trips around the world and all 7 continents

#### ***Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS***

Eating at the Dwarf Drive In.

The day I graduated.



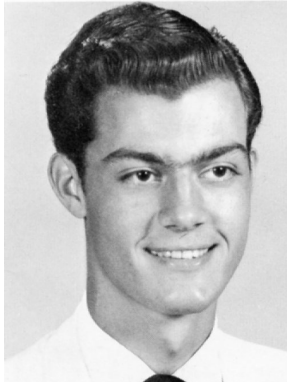


**Maria Milligan Hawkins**  
**Maryville, Tennessee**

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**Retired?** Yes    **Currently Employed?** No





## **Ted Hembree**

### **Knoxville, Tennessee**

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**Retired?** No

**Currently Employed?** Yes    **Employer:** Self    **Occupation:** Legal investigator

**Spouse's Name:** Julie    **Hometown:** Knoxville, Tennessee

**Spouse Retired:** Yes    **Employer:** Knox County Schools    **Occupation:** High school teacher

**Currently Employed?** No

**Children:** Jennifer

#### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

Continued employment as personal injury investigator; previously, flight instructor and charter pilot. Charter member of Inner Circle of Investigators; food pantry volunteer; originator and director of Pantry for Feeding Pets, a pet food supplier to under-privileged pet owners.

#### **Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

Listening to Alan Shepherd's space flight in Belle Baker's algebra class; MHS-AHS pep rallies; senior play; 1½ hour for lunch most of the senior year; Ted Wilson slicing his hand on window in Mrs. Cates' room; kicking – but mostly rolling – a punt 99 yards in phys. ed; watching others paint the Alcoa bridge; playing old man tennis; many other unmentionables.



## **Lynn Hitch**

### **Maryville, Tennessee**

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**Retired?** Yes      **Year:** 2005      **Employer:** Alcoa, Inc.      **Occupation:** PLO

**Currently Employed?** No

**Spouse's Name:** Dianne Hitch      **Hometown:** Maryville, Tennessee

**Spouse Retired:** Yes      **Employer:** Blount County      **Occupation:** Accountant Trustee Office

**Currently Employed?** No

**Children's Names & Ages:** Angie Presley – 43, Jennifer Ingram – 40

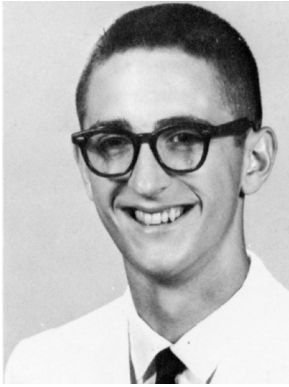
**Number of Grandchildren:** 2

#### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

Activities include UT sports, hiking and grandkids.

#### **Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

Maryville Junior High (1958-1960) was the best three years of my life!



## **Timothy Douglas Hitson**

### **Charlotte, North Carolina**

**Email:** timh45973@aol.com    **Linked In:** timh45973@aol.com

**Retired?** Yes    **Year:** 2013

**Currently Employed?** No

**Spouse's Name:** Sharon    **Hometown:** Long Beach, California

**Spouse Retired:** Yes    **Year:** 1996

**Children's Names & Ages:** Darrell – 44, Kristy – 49

**Number of Grandchildren:** 1

#### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

Worked until 2013 for three different companies in the field of PLM Software Development: Dassault-Systemes, NovaQuest and Persistent Telecom Solutions. Interests/hobbies are science, math, computers and music (ok, I'm a geek!), Flight Simulation, Game Software design. My wife Sharon and I play and enjoy Duplicate Bridge and we like to travel around the US. Planning more of this now that we're both retired. Sharon is also a very creative, artistic person and has been involved in vintage jewelry collection/sales, and most recently hooking rugs.

My most recent job assignment found us living in the small seaside town of Milford, CT, for four years, and it gave us a wonderful opportunity to explore New England more fully.

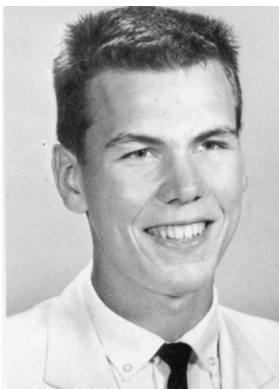
My son Darrell works for Bank of America in Knoxville, TN, and my daughter is a paramedic in Charlotte, although soon to be moving to Colorado.

#### **Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

Being in the band, both concert and marching with Mr. Connell at the helm. There were some really great times on "away" football games and to band festivals on the band bus. The pep band was fun stirring up everyone with our cheerleaders in the auditorium before big games at the rallies. Parades in Maryville were great too! (But we hated marching behind the horses!) And Butch McDade on drums and me on piano in the band room banging out some music, occasionally joined by Claude Abbott or Jerry Sterling on sax. Looking back I don't know how we ever learned how to play and march at the same time without serious injury! Kent Lewis and I had some good (crazy) times with the baritones in band practice, too.

I always looked forward to Physics and Chemistry classes with Mr. Niles - he was a good teacher and made the subjects fun. We had some good times in math club too (I already said I was a geek).





## **James Newt Holloway, Jr.**

### **Aiken, South Carolina**

**Email:** hollowayoutthere@aol.com

**Retired?** Yes    **Occupation:** Owens Corning Plant Manager

**Spouse's Name:** Betty    **Hometown:** Camden, Alabama

**Spouse Retired:** Yes    **Year:** 2003    **Employer:** Aiken City Schools    **Occupation:** Elementary Teacher

**Children's Names & Ages:** Jim – 41, Katie – 34, Kristi – 34    **Number of Grandchildren:** 2

#### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

- ◆ Full time fishing saltwater, lakes, trout in AR; enjoying three destinations with campers/cabins.
- ◆ Betty playing golf and active in church and ACTS volunteerism.
- ◆ Son Jim grad of North Carolina Chapel Hill; managing director of PWC in Charlotte; wife Susan Senior VP Bank America; Children J.B. – 4 and Mary Hardin – 1+.
- ◆ Kristi graduated Magna, Auburn where first student President of Business School; HR Mgr. with Accenture in Atlanta; husband Chuck sales manager Gibson Guitar.
- ◆ Katie graduated Summa, Auburn Pharmacy Doctor; On staff Grady Memorial Atlanta; recently married to Todd Leupke who works for PWC consulting.

#### **Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

Best friend Mike Oliver and our fishing and hunting, basketball teammates, many friends among fellow students, all of whom worked hard, had fun, stayed out of trouble and were good people who have accomplished a lot. I am proud of them all. We of course learned more of what mattered and didn't in life after graduation but started with priceless and rare values (relative to subsequent generations). Thanks to our parents for that, our teachers, each other as classmates, and society as it was.

However, I am somewhat disappointed that Mr. Williams would not let us use our cell phones and laptops in school. Just think how much smarter we would have been!

I hope we have a great turnout. See you all then.





## **Susan Potter Hudson**

### **Nashville, Tennessee**

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**Retired?** Yes    **Year:** 2012    **Occupation:** Teacher, administrator, contractor

**Currently Employed?** No

**Spouse's Name:** Michael R. Hudson    **Hometown:** McMinnville, Tennessee

**Spouse Retired:** No

**Currently Employed?** Yes    **Employer:** Owner, Hudson Builders    **Occupation:** Custom home builder

**Children's Names & Ages:** Nathan J Hudson – 42; Emily P Vandergriff (deceased)

**Number of Grandchildren:** 3

#### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

I retired from the TN Department of Education in January 2001. Since that time I've been an independent contractor to schools and school districts. In October 2012 I resigned my last contract and really retired.

I have 3 grandchildren: Alex is 9, Andy is 6, and Grace Emily is 2.

In retirement I'm volunteering in the community and I'm on the governing board of my church. I'm reading and gardening and enjoying life.

#### **Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

I came to MHS in January of our sophomore year from an all girls' school. From the beginning I found marvelous friends and people who are still dear to me. Random memories: Slumber parties. Football games (I'd never been to one before!). Study hall (I'd never been to a school with study hall, and because it was in the library, I thought we were supposed to read library books. So I did—book after book! I think it was a year or so before I figured out it was permissible to do homework there). Alan Shepard's space launch being broadcast (I was in the library reading). French class in the classroom behind the cafeteria. Going across the street to the Dwarf for lunch. Having to stay after school to take Health class with all the other transfer students so we could graduate from a TN high school! Walking home from school with Libby, Jenny, our friends.





## **Joan Gardner Hughes**

### **Maryville, Tennessee**

**Email:** hughrojo@charter.net

**Retired?** Yes **Employer:** Maryville College

**Occupation:** Office Manager

**Currently Employed?** No

**Spouse's Name:** Ronald E. Hughes **Hometown:** Sweetwater, Tennessee

**Spouse Retired:** Yes **Employer:** United Parcel Service **Occupation:** Feeder Division

**Currently Employed?** No

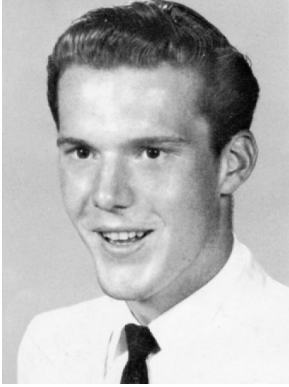
**Children's Names:** Lisa Crowe, Amy Everett, Lea Anne Chambers **Number of Grandchildren:** 6

#### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

Activities in the past 10 years include retirement. I retired from Maryville College after 27 years and Ron retired from UPS after 36 years. We are busy with church, family, friends, attending sports events, theatre and dance with our grandchildren and enjoy vacationing in the Gulf coast area.

#### **Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

Special memories at MHS include band trips, Friday night football games, Mr. Connell and Mr. Bilbrey. I also have fond memories and much appreciation for Mrs. Baker, beloved Algebra teacher and motivator.



# Phil Jones

## Maryville, Tennessee

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**Retired?** Yes    **Year:** 2005    **Employer:** U.S. Postal Service    **Occupation:** Rural Mail Carrier, Sevierville, TN

**Currently Employed?** Yes    **Employer:** Airport Auto Auction    **Occupation:** Driver

**Spouse's Name:** Sherry Clark    **Hometown:** Knoxville, Tennessee

**Spouse Retired:** No

**Currently Employed?** Yes    **Employer:** Newscorp    **Occupation:** Market Manager

**Step-Children's Names:** Jonathan and Allison

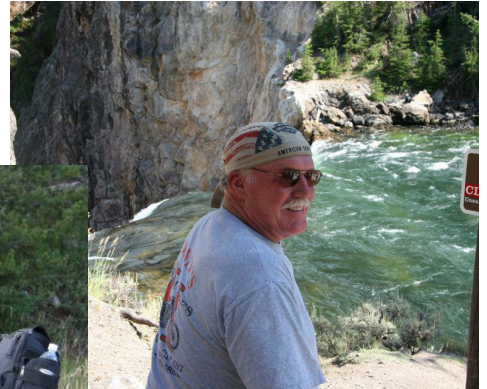
**Number of Grandchildren:** 2

### Activities during Past 10 Years

Married in June 2005 and retired from the U.S. Postal Service in Dec. 2005. Recently reemployed as a driver for Airport Auto Auction. Both step-children recently married. Jonathan employed as a manager at Knox Auto Parts, Allison recently graduated from Georgetown Law School in Washington, DC. She and her husband along with their new baby boy will be moving to Boston this fall. My wife and I traveled to Europe for awhile on honeymoon and enjoy traveling locally and to some western states both on motorcycle and auto.

### Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS

Paddling across Chilhowee Lake one night with David McDade and a couple more classmates. What made it memorable was how much rain could be generated by "Heat Lightning."





## **James “Jimmy” Edwin Joseph** **Burgaw, North Carolina**

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**Retired?** Yes    **Employer:** NC Department of Safety    **Occupation:** Chaplain – Pender Correctional Institution  
**Currently Employed?** No

**Spouse’s Name:** Anita Joseph    **Hometown:** Maple Hill, North Carolina

**Spouse Retired:** Yes    **Employer:** The Matthew 25 Center    **Occupation:** Facility Administrator  
**Currently Employed?** No

**Children’s Names & Ages:** Donna Baumgardner & Michael Joseph

**Number of Grandchildren:** 1

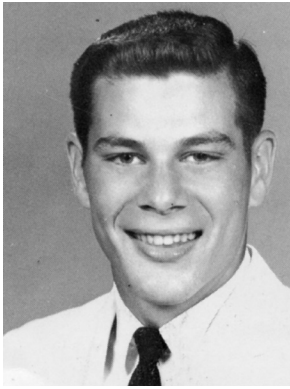
### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

After serving 20 years with the Foreign Mission Board, I served as chaplain at a medium security state prison in NC. My greatest accomplishment in this period was the raising of over a half million dollars and the building of a chapel at the prison. I also enjoy woodworking.

### **Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

Playing football in Joe Eldridge’s front yard, all the shenanigans that we pulled off in Mr. Niles’ chemistry and physics lab, a whole host of extracurricular activities with good friends, and, of course, beating Alcoa in football.





## **John A. Kerr, Jr.** **Rockford, Tennessee**

**Email:** jkerrj8@gmail.com

**Retired?** Yes    **Year:** 2012    **Employer:** Maryville City Schools    **Occupation:** Teacher  
**Currently Employed?** No

**Spouse's Name:** Pat Endsley Kerr    **Hometown:** Friendsville, Tennessee  
**Spouse Retired:** Yes    **Year:** 2004    **Employer:** Aluminum Co. of America    **Occupation:** Customer Service Rep  
**Currently Employed?** No

**Children's Names & Ages:** Andy – 33, Erin – 31

Number of Grandchildren: 0

### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

I taught freshman English at Maryville High for 28 years, coaching MHS boys soccer for 22 years and MHS girls soccer for 9 years.

While teaching, I also raised beef cattle and maintained the family farm, which has been in continuous operation since 1873. I retired from teaching last year, but I'm staying busy farming, reading, singing and playing the guitar, volunteering with the youth group at church, and teaching Sunday School when it's my turn.

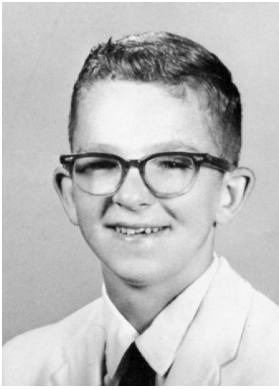
My wife Pat reads, gardens, quilts, and never misses an Atlanta Braves game.

Andy works at Eagleton Village Veterinary Clinic where he is actively involved with a new online pet medications pharmacy. His main recreation is fly fishing, but he also enjoys cycling. And of course he is an integral part of our farming operation.

Erin married Justin Jones from South Carolina who has one more year of residency as an orthopedic surgeon at Marshall University. They are living in Huntington, W.Va., where Erin has developed into quite the seamstress, creating clothes, pillows, nursery items for friends, and even establishing her own website.

### **Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

Building the sophomore class float in the basement of my house on LeConte Dr. (where son Andy lives now), the transformation of the old, old, old gym up next to Broadway into the magical setting for the Prom our junior year, having to double-date with Bill Beaty because I didn't get my license until the end of my junior year, singing with John Carpenter, Bill Ross, Mike Criss, Joe Atchison, Pete Park, Bill Patterson, et. al., and of course graduating with such wonderful classmates – we might have been a small class, but I still don't think there has ever been a better one.



# Howard “Chuck” Lamon

## Knoxville, Tennessee

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**Retired?** Yes    **Year:** 2011    **Employer:** Lamon Jewelers, The Log Cabin Jewelers    **Occupation:** Owner

**Currently Employed?** No

**Spouse’s Name:** Ann Wallace Lamon    **Hometown:** Sweetwater, Tennessee

**Spouse Retired:** No    **Currently Employed?** Yes    **Employer:** Lamon Jewelers    **Occupation:** Owner

**Children’s Names & Ages:** Adrienne Lamon Anderson – 43, Andy Lamon – 40, Emily Lamon Justus – 37

**Number of Grandchildren:** 7

### Activities during Past 10 Years

Grandchildren are an important part of our lives. Ages 14 to 5 weeks. My wife Ann and I have been married 45 years. Daughters have worked with us for 37 combined years and now manage the store since my retirement. Son (Andy) is a Methodist pastor having planted a new church just north of Savannah, Georgia. Golfer – serious. Marketing/advertising consultant. Precious metals broker/collector. Active member of Cedar Springs Presbyterian Church in Knoxville where I am “fed” with the Word.

### Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS

Better ask John Kerr-Bill Beaty-John Overly-Steve Shields.

What went on in Maryville should stay in Maryville – forget Facebook.





## **Christine Maria Lindsey**

### **Maryville, Tennessee**

**Email:** forthebirds747@charter.net

**Retired?** Yes   **Year:** 1996   **Employer:** Fulton County Health Department   **Occupation:** Public Health Nurse

**Currently Employed?** No

#### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

I retired in 1996 after 26 exhausting years as a public health nurse for Fulton County, GA (Atlanta). They offered the older workers an early retirement incentive and I was ready to take it. They hired two new nurses in my place.

It took a couple of years to decide where I wanted to be. My very close friends from church moved to Cleveland, TN. At first I thought I wanted to be with them. Then I attended a workshop at Tremont. (I am a nature nut.) It was then that I realized that I wanted to be right here. I missed the Smokies so much!

My hobbies include birdwatching and playing my mountain dulcimer. In 2003 I became certified by the MHTP program (music for healing and transition program) to be a "music practitioner". That means that I can play bedside music. It is NOT considered therapy. I have been playing on a weekly basis at Morning View Transitional Care since 2000. I really haven't done anything new. I do practice Tai Chi to help with my body aches and pains.

#### **Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

The passing of Mrs. Baker



Christine with her brother Richard, MHS class of 1958, and her grand-nephew



## **Jama Ballard Mandrell**

### **Maryville, Tennessee**

**Email:** nursejama@att.net

**Retired?** Yes    **Year:** 2012    **Employer:** Parkwest Hospital    **Occupation:** RN Oncology Certified

**Currently Employed?** No

**Children:** Ben Mandrell – 42, Nancy Johnson – 36, Pamela Scott – 35, Caroline Wilson – 32

**Grandchildren:** Kerrigan & Anna Mandrell, Sydney Johnson, Katlyn & Mckinley Scott, Taylor & Leslie Wilson

#### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

Worked at Parkwest Hospital for 23 years. Am Oncology certified. Taught Oncology course and mentored cancer nurses. Gave chemotherapy and took care of cancer pts. Love nursing. Play handbells at church & sing in Morning Glory choir at church. Volunteer at Welcome Table and Recovery Maryville at First United Methodist Church, Maryville. Babysit grandchildren. Walk, run, & play tennis. Do some crafts. Play games on internet. Ben works for Colgate & lives in Atlanta. His wife is a RN. Nancy is LPN at Health Dept Maryville. She runs and does half-marathons. Pamela has Masters in Statistics. Is stay home mom at present but will be going back to work. Caroline works in Cardio Lab at Tenova , does monogramming for Dandy Lions, and is into crossfit.

#### **Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

For most part was very shy and did not say much. Enjoyed playing tennis and basketball. Lived up street from Maryville High School. Was in band and really enjoyed it, especially at football time.





## **Dannie J. Gibson Manning**

### **Charleston, South Carolina**

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com

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**Other:** wappocenter@hotmail.

**Retired?** No

**Currently Employed?** Yes

**Employer:** Philip A. Middleton, PA

**Occupation:** Paralegal

**Spouse:** No Spouse

**Children's Names & Ages:** Michele – 45, Layla – 31, Harrison – 29

**Number of Grandchildren:** 4

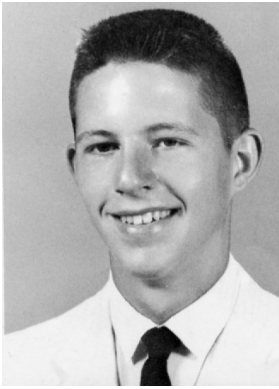
#### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

Let's see 57 to 67. Finished raising the last two, Layla and Harrison. Michele was married, relocated in Greenville, OH, and was making babies and running a successful business with Aaron husband. Layla graduated from Hollins in Roanoke, VA, and came back to work in Charleston. She and Larry (chef) made Logan, my only grandson who I am busy teaching how to fish. They live in beautiful Beaufort by the Sea. My son Harrison completed his education, became an apprentice in historic reproduction for 7 years, and now is Shop Manager of Landrum Tables, and their works have been featured at the SC Wildlife Festival in Charleston, as well as southern magazines such as Garden and Gun. He has a wife, Kate, and they have my granddaughter, Evelyn, who is a joy. They live near me in Charleston. I am very much into grands as most of you probably are. I have become a dragonboat racer and until last year when I became ill, I traveled USA and British Columbia racing from May-Oct. I work for a sole practitioner attorney so I run the office and can have lots of time off. He is my age and travels and is very attentive to his grands...so this arrangement works out for an ole broad. I was on Broad Street with a firm for 15 years prior to Philip. My key areas are real estate, trusts, and probates. I enjoy work and will always do something. One of these days I might run my own business! I love my church family, now Presbyterian, do lots of outreach ministries and sing with a praise choir. And lastly, I fish as often as possible - got two 27" black drum on the 4th! Oh, yes, I do love Charleston, living here, working here, and being entertained here, which includes eating. Greatest and most beautiful city in USA!

#### **Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

I really loved being in the band and playing sax with Kathy Hinger. And I loved Mr. Connell, the band director. Also got to travel with girls basketball team as "gopher." Loved the dances, football games, trips up to the "Y" after ballgames (you didn't do that!), all the sleepovers the girls had and just having fun. As far as classes were concerned, I think the two best classes I had were American History with Ms. Beach and Sr. English (studied some Shakespeare) and remember a skit put on by Kelly and Steve. Mrs. Cole was serious but a very good teacher. Remember days in library when whole school listened to radio account of space mission. I was a reader and the library was my best friend!





**Frank A. March**  
**Sevierville, Tennessee**

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**Retired?** No

**Currently Employed?** Yes    **Employer:** SII, Inc.    **Occupation:** Owner

**Spouse:** Divorced

**Children's Names & Ages:** Christian March – 33; Philip March – 30; Kathryn March – 26

**Number of Grandchildren:** 0

**Activities during Past 10 Years**

Sold my business in 2012 and became semi-retired, working part-time for SII, Inc. Recently started Ocean Systems LLC to manufacture and lease oil spill cleanup equipment.

Volunteer at the Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

Hike regularly in the Park.

Active gardener.





# **Suzanne Campbell McCaslin**

## **Savannah, Georgia**

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**Retired?** No

**Currently Employed?** Yes      **Employer:** Dentistry for Children      **Occupation:** Bookkeeper

**Spouse's Name:** Dr. Silas D. McCaslin      **Hometown:** Gainesville, GA

**Spouse Retired:** No

**Currently Employed?** Yes      **Employer:** Dentistry for Children      **Occupation:** Pediatric Dentist

**Children's Names & Ages:** Carey McCaslin Murn – 39

**Number of Grandchildren:** 2

### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

B.A. in Sociology, Agnes Scott College, 1967

Caseworker, 1970-1974

Bookkeeper for husband's pediatric dental practice, 1984 - present

Hobbies are needlework, smocking, reading, gardening, collecting antiques, cooking

### **Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

Every year was great! MHS prepared me well for college. I especially enjoyed Mr. Connell's orchestra. I still play the flute occasionally.





## **Judy Mizell**

### **Maryville, Tennessee**

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**Facebook:** Judith Mizell

**Retired?** No

**Currently Employed?** Yes **Employer:** Knox County Public Library (part-time)

**Occupation:** Branch Assist. II at Cedar Bluff Branch Library

#### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

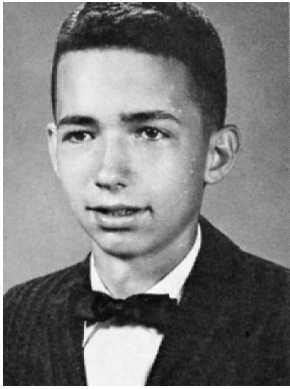
After working for Gaylord Entertainment in Nashville for 14 years, editing newsletters and doing media and public relations for Opryland theme park and the Grand Ole Opry, I was a free-lance writer/editor for five years. Projects included researching and writing the draft for a history of the Metropolitan Nashville Airport Authority and editing the manuscript for a history of Tractor Supply Company. While in Nashville I was active in the International Association of Business Communicators and served on the IABC International Board for one year. In addition to free-lancing, I worked part-time for the Nashville Public Library's Hermitage Branch which prepared me for my current part-time job with the Knoxville Public Library. In 2004 I moved home to Maryville to live with my mother and spent seven years as her primary caregiver before she passed away in August 2011. Currently, I'm awash in memories, going through her "stuff" and mine, in hopes of writing a book about my Nashville experiences as seen through her eyes. She did visit me there and got to meet some of the Opry stars I worked with. At least the family will enjoy reading it. My work around books three days a week at the Cedar Bluff Branch Library in Knoxville is keeping me inspired to write.

#### **Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

So many fun times going to football and basketball games and racing to the lunchroom come to mind. Working on the Red and Black newspaper and the Appalachian yearbook helped with my career choice. Decorating floats and the gym for school dances and "acting" in school plays also stand out, though carrying a live chicken on stage didn't earn me an Oscar or lead to Broadway.







## **Walter Morris**

### **Stanley, North Carolina**

**Email:** morriswj@bellsouth.net

**Retired?** Yes **Year:** 2005

**Employer:** USAirways

**Occupation:** Pilot

**Currently Employed?** No

**Spouse's Name:** Lois **Hometown:** Niagara Falls, New York

**Spouse Retired:** Yes **Year:** 2011

**Employer:** Carolinas Health Care **Occupation:** Socialworker

**Currently Employed?** No

**Children's Names & Ages:** Jennifer – 39, Jaclyn – 35

**Number of Grandchildren:** 4

#### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

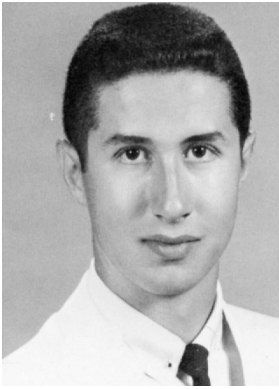
I retired from flying after a 40 year career in both military and civil aviation. My assignments and jobs took me all over the world flying all types of rotor and fixed wing aircraft. After retirement I started two small general construction companies. I am still active in one that I use to build mountain homes in the Boone-Blowing Rock area of western NC.

Lois and I built our retirement home in the same neighborhood as our children and our young grandchildren. A good part of our time is spent being a part of their lives, and we feel very blessed. We are enjoying retirement in the Charlotte, NC, area with all of its available activities: live shows, art, kayaking, and traveling. In my spare time I trade stock on the internet.

#### **Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

Pep rallies and trying to stay awake during those hot humid afternoons without air conditioning.





**John D. Nance**  
**Maryville, Tennessee**

**Email:** John@Nance.ws

**Retired?** Yes   **Year:** 2004   **Employer:** Alcoa, Inc.   **Occupation:** Systems Analyst

**Currently Employed?** No

**Spouse's Name:** Margie Carter Nance   **Hometown:** Alcoa, Tennessee

**Spouse Retired:** Yes   **Year:** 2000   **Employer:** Alcoa, Inc.   **Occupation:** Metal Planner

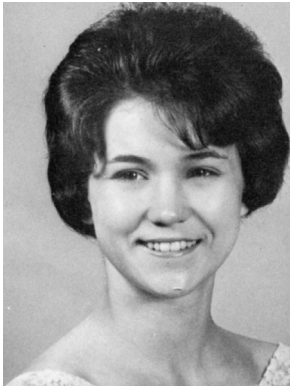
**Currently Employed?** No

**Children's Names & Ages:** Jennifer Bridwell

**Number of Grandchildren:** One grandson - Senior @ MHS

**Activities during Past 10 Years**

Margie & I are both active in the Children's Ministry at Sevier Heights Baptist Church.



# Anne Stubblefield Napier

## Hendersonville, North Carolina

**Email:** anne@asnapier.com

**Website:** www.asnapier.com

**Retired?** Yes **Year:** 2011 **Employer:** North Carolina State University **Occupation:** Secretary & Web Crafter

**Currently Employed?** Yes **Employer:** Self-employed since 1997 **Occupation:** Document Preparation & Web Design

**Spouse:** Divorced

**Son:** Brett Wesley Napier – 36

**Grandchildren:** 0

### Activities during Past 10 Years

I was employed by State of North Carolina agencies for just over 20 years, including 11+ years for North Carolina State University at the Mountain Horticultural Crops Research & Extension Center near Asheville. I assisted project leaders who specialize in various areas of horticultural research, worked with NC Cooperative Extension, & the Western Region Agricultural Education Coordinator, who assisted high school ag programs & FFA chapters. Honors I received while working at NCSU were the State Honorary FFA Degree and the Pride of the Wolfpack award.

Since 1997 I have had my own business doing projects for clients, including editing, writing, document preparation, research & reports, and simple websites. I did special projects for Volvo Construction Equipment North America for 13 years, until the company left Asheville. I am the web crafter for the Western NC Quilters Guild. I do final editing and layout production for the North Carolina Christmas Tree Association's quarterly journal, *Limbs and Needles*. I continue to work on websites for NCSU on a contract basis. My self-employment clients pay for my travel.



To celebrate my 68th birthday in June 2013, Sophie, my 14 year-old "granddaughter," & I went on the zipline over the Pigeon River at Hartford, Tennessee.



As much as the high school years were somewhat painful – as they are for all teens – I am thankful that I was at MHS. I appreciate our excellent teachers and how much we learned about writing, thinking, and studying. Some of you learned math, too.



Above: Formal night, Panama Canal Cruise, 2013 (This is not really me!)

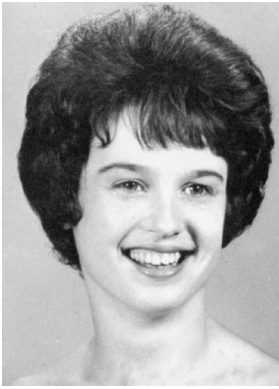
Below: Polychrome Mountains, Denali National Park, Alaska, 2012



My hobbies include making jewelry, quilting, & indoor gardening with lots of houseplants. I am a member of the Hendersonville Church of Christ, & I'm in the process of updating its website. I enjoy hiking in the mountains. I have been able to travel with an aunt on three cruises since retiring: to Scandinavia & St. Petersburg, Russia, in 2011, to Alaska in 2012, and through the Panama Canal in 2013.

### Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS

One of the activities I enjoyed most was singing in the chorus – including being on TV (and not fainting!), working in the concession stand at football games, and being able to ride the bus to away games. In 10th grade several of us girls got in trouble for wearing our shirts untucked. How radical we were! Actually, we were just way ahead of the fashion times. I also remember carrying my brother's sousaphone to the top of the stands for football games because he'd broken his leg. The instrument was almost as big as I was! I've forgotten his name, but I scared our drivers' ed instructor by driving too close to the right side of the road.



# Mollie Chambers Nicholson

## Maryville, Tennessee

**Email:** mollienicholson@ymail.com

**Retired?** Yes    **Year:** 2000    **Employer:** Blount County Schools    **Occupation:** Teacher  
**Currently Employed?** Yes    **Employer:** Blount County Schools    **Occupation:** Part-time Teacher  
**Spouse's Name:** Joe    **Hometown:** Maryville, Tennessee  
**Spouse Retired:** No    **Employer:** Nicholson & Morton, Attorneys at Law    **Occupation:** Attorney

**Children's Names & Ages:** Blaine Nicholson – 33, Nathan Nicholson – 32

**Number of Grandchildren:** Grandson expected this fall

### Activities during Past 10 Years

Employed by Blount County Schools for 33 years, I started teaching AP Senior English and ended teaching third grade. Over the years, I taught all grades in-between. I was the coordinator for the gifted program at my school, directed the plays, choreographed the dance skits, and was lead teacher. Honors I received over the years were: University of Tennessee Excellence in Teaching Award, Blount County Teacher of the Year, Outstanding Elementary Teacher of America Award, C.A.R.E. Educator of the Year, and Blount County Education Association Distinguished Classroom Teacher of the Year. Besides teaching school, I taught Sunday school for 18 years.

Since retirement in 2000, I have continued to teach. (It's in the blood!) I'm an English as a Second Language teacher in Adult Education for Blount County Schools. This is a most rewarding job to see adults between the ages of 25 and 55 learn a new language. Oh, the lessons they have taught me!!

My hobbies include traveling overseas, painting, dancing, hiking, and silk dyeing, especially shibori. I was one of the exhibiting artist in Arts and Antiques Gallery in Knoxville and The Mountain Sage Gallery in Townsend until both closed. I enjoy taking classes at Arrowmont School of Art in Gatlinburg.

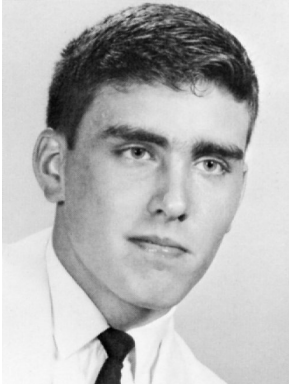


Blaine is a JAG officer in the USAF.

Nathan is lead singer and songwriter for the band The Boxer Rebellion. Tours US, Japan, Europe, and South America each year. The band has been on David Letterman, The Tonight show, and in the movie *Going the Distance* with Drew Barrymore. Their music has been played several times on Grey's Anatomy, Vampire Diaries, and numerous TV commercials.

### Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS

We were so fortunate to go to a school that stressed academics and provided the high standards we would need for college and adult life. In hindsight, I realize MHS gave us many opportunities not afforded some students at other high schools. Some of my fondest memories of MHS include going on band trips, making the class floats, and, of course, being in the plays. Lastly, who could forget Miss Haddox's English class when the dropped book woke her with a start!



# John Overly

## Knoxville, Tennessee

**Email:** j\_overly@comcast.net or joverly1@utk.edu

**Retired?** No

**Currently Employed?** Yes    **Employer:** University of Tennessee    **Occupation:** Architect/Capital Proj Mgr

**Spouse's Name:** Janie McCowan Overly    **Hometown:** Oak Ridge, Tennessee

**Spouse Retired:** No

**Currently Employed?** Yes    **Employer:** Oak Ridge Nat'l Labs (ORNL)    **Occupation:** Int'l Safeguards Proj Mgr

**Children's Names & Ages:** Jonathan Gregory – 44, Jonathan Todd – 41

**Number of Grandchildren:** 3

### Activities during Past 10 Years

Project Management of Site/Architectural/Structural Design & Engineering Systems and Construction of University of Tennessee Capital Projects at UT Memphis, UT Knoxville, & ORNL for 9 years. 10-15 years ago: Architect/Project Mgr. for various projects at McCarty Holsaple McCarty Architects, Knoxville, 16-30 years ago: Architect/Project Mgr. of Site Planning & Architectural Design for Martin Marietta, Lockheed Martin, Bechtel at 5 plant/lab sites for DOE at Oak Ridge, Portsmouth, OH, Paducah, KY.

### Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS

All of it, knowing I was fortunate enough to grow up in a living/learning community with such a great bunch of people. Scholastics & Learning, Key Club and a rich Social Life with wonderful friends, Hiking w/ Explorers, Church Life, etc.



Clockwise from top left: John & Janie in Budapest; Janie & John in Salsburg, Austria; Grandson Conner; Collie Brynne, John, Grandson Conner & Janie; Son Jonathan, Conner, & Janie.





## **James P. “Pete” Paine**

### **Maryville, Tennessee**

**Email:** jpaine@bellsouth.net

**Retired?** Yes    **Year:** 1997    **Employer:** Alcoa, Inc.    **Occupation:** Property Accounting Coordinator (30 yrs)

**Currently Employed?** Yes    **Year:** 1997    **Employer:** Express Personnel – Alcoa Inc.

**Occupation:** Fixed Asset Inventory Control Auditor

**Spouse’s Name:** Vivian Stapleton Paine    **Hometown:** Alcoa, Tennessee

**Spouse Retired:** Yes    **Year:** 2005    **Employer:** Robert C. Russell, M.D.

**Occupation:** LPN, University of Tennessee Medical Center (34 yrs)

**Children’s Names & Ages:** Lesia Renee Brooks – 47, Laura Rhea Finchum – 45, James Eugene Paine – 42

**Number of Grandchildren:** 6

#### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

For the past thirteen years I have worked for Alcoa Inc. at the same job I did before retiring.

I enjoy fly fishing and broker a few cars as a hobby.

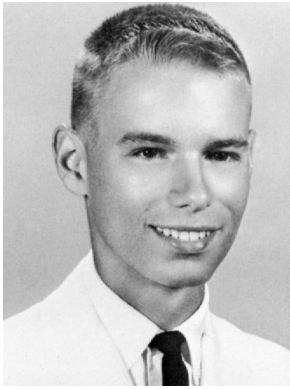
Vivian and I enjoy spending time with our grandchildren.

We celebrated our 49th Wedding Anniversary in July 2013.

#### **Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

All memories and experiences were good, some we best not talk about.





## **Bill Patterson**

### **Dandridge, Tennessee**

**Email:** servocharge@gmail.com

**Retired?** No

**Currently Employed?** Yes    **Employer:** Leconte Cardiology Associates    **Occupation:** Physician

**Spouse's Name:** Tirree    **Hometown:** Knoxville, Tennessee

**Spouse Retired:** No

**Currently Employed?** Yes    **Employer:** Leconte Cardiology Associates    **Occupation:** Office Nurse

**Children's Names & Ages:** Laseena – 33, David – 23

**Number of Grandchildren:** 2

#### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

Nothing much. Still working. In the '90s still played golf but never at Augusta National. Interests: Diesel trucks, vintage audio equipment and computer audio, high performance laptop systems, trying to learn OSX.

#### **Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

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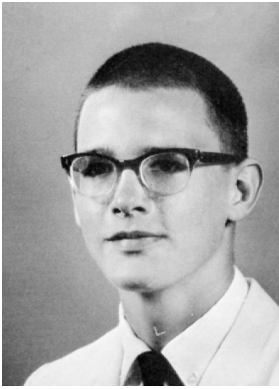
Competing on the Golf Team

Tagging along with the 3 Johns: Edmondson, Kerr, and Overly

The football team running the single wing, yikes

Ann Baker's prowess at sports; 35ppg in 3 on 3 basketball, finals US women's amateur

What a really great class we had.



## **Robert P. Redwine**

### **Rockford, Tennessee**

**Email:** rpr1@icx.net

**Retired?** Yes **Employer:** Alcoa, Inc. **Occupation:** Training Manager

**Currently Employed?** Yes **Employer:** Alcoa, Inc, on contract **Occupation:** Training coordination

**Spouse's Name:** Stephanie **Hometown:** Knoxville, Tennessee

**Spouse Retired:** Yes **Employer:** Fox Home Medical **Currently Employed?** No

**Children's Names & Ages:** Jason – 38, Ryan – 35 **Grandchildren:** 1, Kaitlyn Redwine – 6-1/2

#### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

I have worked for Alcoa most of the past 10 years on contract. For 2 of those 10 years I was an employee of Spectra Tech Inc performing arc flash studies for the US Army Corps of Engineers.

I spend a lot of time working, reading, investing, watching sports, and doing volunteer work at Blount Memorial Hospital.

My older son Jason is a management engineer for Covenant Health in Knoxville. My younger son Ryan works for Comcast Communications as an internet trouble shooter.

I was inducted in the Daily Times Wall of Fame this year, and I considered it a very nice honor.

#### **Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

There have been many memorable times at MHS. I really enjoyed my high school years. We had some really nice folks in our school and especially the class of 1963.

I remember being in the car with Steve Goza and Jimmy Joseph. We had just thrown out some firecrackers near the Alcoa bridge that always gets painted. We were pulled over by the Alcoa police. Steve was driving and told the policeman that he was from Veracruz, Mexico (his father was plant manager at an Alcoa plant there). I just knew we were going to be in trouble. Would you believe none of the firecrackers ever went off?

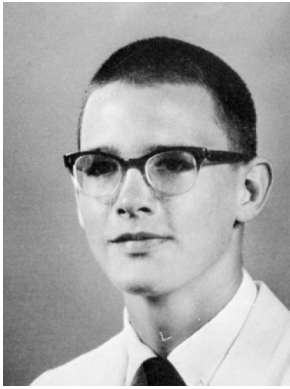
Another time during lunch period I was outside Miss Haddox's classroom with some other folks. This was my sophomore year. A junior (who will remain nameless) tried to throw part of an ice cream sandwich over the transom into her room. The missile hit the transom window and started dripping into the room. Of course we flushed like a covey of quail. Later on I found out that someone roused my innocent brother Johnny who was a senior and was working in the lunchroom at the time of the incident. Apparently they heard the name Redwine and assumed he was in on it. I never heard anything else about it.

During one of my high school years I was a manager for the football team along with Phil Mizell. One day while we were lining off the field for the night's home game, we got the really smart idea to write Don Rawls' name on the grassy bank that went up toward the old gym. We wrote it in letters about 10 feet high. For some reason Coach Rawls did not see any humor in this. He gave us a deadline to have that name removed prior to the game. Believe me it was easier to put on than it was to take off.

I remember in junior English finally getting an A from Mrs. Cate for one six week grading period. I may have been prouder of that than any other grade I ever received.

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## **Robert P. Redwine**

**Rockford, Tennessee**

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One Halloween some group of folks rolled Mrs. Beech's yard. She was extremely bothered by that and was never the same after that incident. She took that very personally. I was not in on that escapade.

In senior English, Mrs. Cole required everyone to give a speech in front of the class. When it was Bill Beaty's turn, he got tickled and started laughing. He must have tried four or five times to re-start his speech with the same result. I don't think he ever gave his speech. The fact that Butch McDade's smiling face was on the front row I think heavily contributed to Bill's laughter. Of course at some point the entire class was laughing, including Mrs. Cole.

One year we had Mr. Roy Roberts for math in the period prior to lunch. There were other classes that got out of class for lunch at the same time. Over time there developed a competition to see who could get to the lunchroom first. I remember one nice warm day, the bell rang for lunch and Mr. Roberts was not in the class. I have never seen anything like it. Guys in my class were climbing out the windows and running down the sidewalk and coming back in the doors along Lawrence Street. It was like a jail break. I was laughing so hard I could hardly eat lunch. Someone did explain to the class that this behavior should not occur in the future. I actually think that Butch McDade was the ringleader. I know he used to lead a rhythm band in that same class. Mr. Roberts would leave and Butch would start rapping on his desk. This would start others doing it. It would get loud and out of control. I guess Butch was always a drummer at heart.

I remember the fast rides to Zesto with Glenn Loveday and others to get hotdogs at lunch.

I remember the time the Hord brothers walked by Mrs. Cole's room's windows. One was on the shoulders of the other, but it looked like the top one was walking by. It was probably 6 or 7 feet from the bottom of the window to the sidewalk. As a result you never saw anyone walk by. That broke up the class.

I learned a really good lesson in Mr. Watson's biology class. I got back a test paper, and it was marked 99. The question I missed asked for three things – I had provided four answers – three correct ones and one incorrect one. I went to the front of the room and pointed this out to Mr. Watson. I said "but I have three correct answers and you just asked for three". Mr. Watson said "but one of your answers is wrong". We went back and forth until I made the mistake of saying "but you can't do that." He looked at me, grinned, and took his pencil and marked out the 99. He wrote in 97. He then said "what do you think now?" I went back to my seat a little wiser.



**Bonnie Jackson Rives**  
**Birmingham, Alabama**

**Retired?** No    **Currently Employed?** Yes    **Employer:** Self    **Occupation:** Interior Design

**Spouse's Name:** Joe B. Rives    **Hometown:** Collierville, TN

**Spouse Retired:** Yes    **Occupation:** System Manager

**Children's Names & Ages:** Julie – 42, Mendy – 40, John – 37

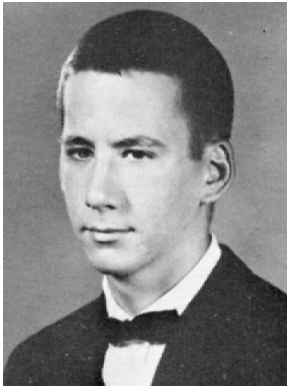
**Number of Grandchildren:** 9

**Activities during Past 10 Years**

Designer. Collect Hostas

**Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

Music Department



## **John Thomas Roberts**

### **Knoxville, Tennessee**

**Email:** robertsknoxtn@yahoo.com

**Retired?** Yes    **Year:** 2011    **Employer:** Knox County MPC    **Occupation:** Computer database & graphics  
**Currently Employed?** No

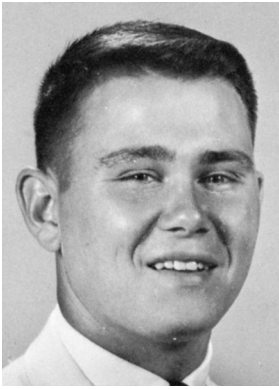
**Spouse's Name:** Deborah Roberts    **Hometown:** Knoxville, Tennessee

**Spouse Retired:** Yes    **Employer:** Knox County School Board    **Occupation:** Teacher  
**Currently Employed?** No

**Children's Names & Ages:** Megan Koller – 29, Daniel Roberts – 25    **Number of Grandchildren:** N/A

#### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

Coach youth soccer; referee recreational, club, and adult league soccer. Megan is with Human Services at Vanderbilt Hospital; Dan is an environmental scientist in North Carolina.



**Dennis Ryniec**  
**Maryville, Tennessee**

**Email:** dennistry1@gmail.com

**Retired?** Yes    **Year:** 2006    **Employer:** Knox County Public Health    **Occupation:** Dentist

**Currently Employed?** No

**Spouse's Name:** Divorced 23 years

**Children's Names & Ages:** Anden Michelle Hamilton – 40, Heather Hunter – 38

**Number of Grandchildren:** 1

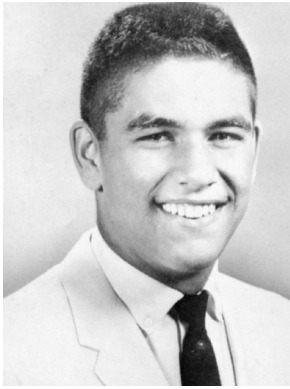
**Activities during Past 10 Years**

Retired after 38 years in dentistry. Currently participate in several volunteer services including one A.M. per week in Blount County Trinity Charity Dental Clinic. Still active athletically with racquetball and pickleball. Eldest daughter works with special education students. Youngest owns a cosmetic boutique in Memphis and Oxford, Miss. I'm glad to be back in good ole Blount County.

**Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

Athletic events, slumber parties (crashed), dances/proms and drive-ins. I still get tears when passing the old Dwarf site. It's the reason I'm on statin drugs now.





## **Steve Shields**

### **Maryville, Tennessee**

**Email:** vandy86@bellsouth.net

**Currently Employed?** Yes **Employer:** Self-employed

**Occupation:** Cash Advance

**Spouse's Name:** Martha  
Teacher

**Spouse Retired:** Yes

**Employer:** Maryville City Schools

**Occupation:**

**Children's Names & Ages:** Whitney L. Cox – 38, Stephen Jr. – 33

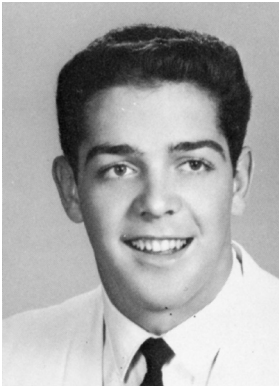
**Number of Grandchildren:** 4

#### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

I've been self-employed for 12 years mostly to keep me out of Martha's hair. I'd drive her crazy if I was home all day. My daughter, Whitney, is a teacher just like her mother (33 yrs) and grandmother (33 yrs) were. She is married to Lynn Cox. They met at MTSU and have 3 children, Maddy, 12, twins Carter and Carolyn, 10. They were born during the time of our 40th reunion. Stephen is a Dropout Prevention Coordinator for the Transylvania School System in Brevard, NC. He is married to Sara Frey. They met at Brevard College in their Wilderness Leadership program. They have one little girl, Gracie, who is 4. My interests right now are whatever sports my grandchildren are playing at the moment. Also over the last couple of years I have acquired a taste for craft beers and have become what many would call a beer snob.

#### **Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

This is the area that will take a lot of thinking about. One of my favorite classes was Coach Shepard's Sophomore split study hall. I remember the joke Helen Rush told in Mrs. Cole's Sr. English. Ask Melvin Stinnett about it. I remember the fun we had building the floats in John's basement and the crazy themes they had. That's one area where I think present day classes have missed out on something very memorable since they don't have parades for football games anymore. It seems we had a parade before every game and a really big one with floats and Queen candidates for homecoming. I remember the old layout of the school, the renovations that took place before our Sr year, the old gym where the proms were held and where the boys and girls basketball teams took turns practicing. I remember hanging out on the stone bridge near the football field during lunch time. I remember Alcoa week and all the havoc that both schools pulled. We snuck onto their football field our Jr year and painted part of the tarp that hung around the field. I remember all the football games all 3 years as well as the basketball games. I remember the song some of the football players used to sing before the games our Jr year and that we tried before our basketball game with West High at their gym and they beat the fool out of us and we never sang it again. I remember the Key Club trips to Chattanooga and meeting a weird guy named Louie who claimed that he could make rocks grow (Ask Robert Redwine if you don't believe me). We also went to Louisville, KY, our Sr yr, and Frank Eggers and I struck out trying to pick up girls at the dance. I remember riding in Kelly's little blue car because he was one of the few who had a car. Then Frank got the black Grand Prix. In fact he took Mickey, Bob Studley, and me to Boca Raton over spring break our Sr year. Studley even made us fake IDs to use what for we weren't sure, but we had them anyway. I remember the fear I had each and every time I went into Mrs. Reed's Latin class because I knew she was going to call on me and I never was prepared. There were just a few who were prepared, come to think about it. I remember the mad dashes down the halls at lunch time, but now that I think about it I'm not sure why. Was the food that good? As I type this I keep remembering more and more and I'm sure you don't want me to keep going. I can't wait to read what everyone else has to write and tell everyone about because I'm sure that will trigger more memories in all of us.



## **Oliver Kelly Spears, III**

### **Maryville, Tennessee**

**Email:** kspears@chartertn.net

**Retired?** Yes    **Year:** 1997    **Employer:** U.S. Navy

**Retired?** Yes    **Year:** 2011    **Employer:** Foothills Community Development

**Currently Employed?** Yes    **Employer:** Foothills Community Development

**Spouse's Name:** Donna Cady Spears    **Hometown:** Maryville, Tennessee

**Spouse Retired:** Yes    **Year:** 1997    **Employer:** American Airlines

**Children's Names & Ages:** Christy – 42, Kelly – 39

**Number of Grandchildren:** 4

#### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

Foothills CDC is a nonprofit that builds homes for low income. Although I retired in 2011, the Board asked me to come back. I did and I am still there. The third retirement is to be determined.

Life mostly centers around grandchildren.



## **Patsy Birdwell Standifer**

### **Cookeville, Tennessee**

**Email:** ppstandifer@charter.net

**Retired?** No    **Currently Employed?** Yes    **Employer:** Self    **Occupation:** Personal Assistant

**Children's Names & Ages:** Susan Stroud – 42, Stacie Standifer Nichols – 44

**Grandchildren:** 3 girls

#### ***Activities during Past 10 Years***

Worked at gift shop my sister started and my niece continued after her death until one year ago - now self employed as Personal Assistant. Also work from home for Diamond Cattle Company. Hobbies include reading and ipad. Volunteer two days a week in the gift shop at Cookeville Reginal Medical Center. Older daughter, Stacie, is owner and publisher of Nashville Lifestyles Magazine in Nashville. My other daughter Susan and her husband Slade own Stroud's Barbeque in Cookeville.

#### ***Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS***

Making many new friends after moving there in the middle of my junior year.



## **Jerry Sterling**

### **Calhoun, Georgia**

**Email:** jerrysterling@att.net

**Retired?** Yes **Year:** 1999

**Employer:** Lockheed Martin

**Occupation:** Engineer

**Currently Employed?** Sometimes

**Spouse's Name:** Mary

**Spouse Retired:** Yes **Year:** 2001

**Employer:** Lockheed Martin

**Occupation:** Secretary

**Children's Names & Ages:** Mike – 41, Russell – 35

**Number of Grandchildren:** 3

#### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

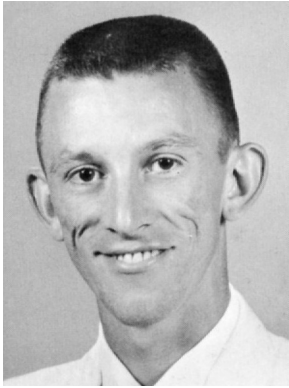
Since retirement: active beekeeper, woodworking, restoration of antique autos, work as needed at a small fabrication shop. We both volunteer at the hospital as well as the local Arts Center.

Mary says, "He rarely looks at email; doesn't do facebook; won't answer the telephone. I do the email and answer the phone. We have found the older we get, it takes more time to get less done."

**Memories:** Band practice and band activities







## **Melvin Stinnett**

### **Oklahoma City, Oklahoma**

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**Retired?** Yes **Year:** 2004

**Spouse's Name:** Frances Lara Stinnett **Hometown:** Artesia, New Mexico

**Spouse Retired:** Yes **Currently Employed?** No

**Children's Names & Ages:** Erik Stinnett – 41, Lara Davis – 39, Sarah Gigstad – 37

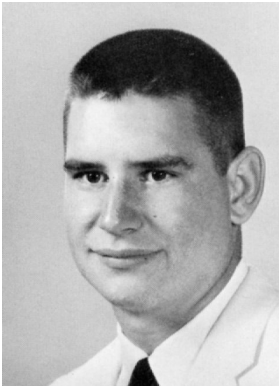
**Number of Grandchildren:** 6

#### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

Retired from USAF as Lt. Col. in 1988; taught accounting courses at university 1988 until 2000; worked as Involvement and Education minister with Church of Christ 2000 until 2004. Past 10 years played slow pitch senior softball traveling all over the country (accomplishment -- recently survived line drive to face as pitcher with only a broken jaw and 4 lost teeth). Played indoor soccer until age 62 when receiving a knee replacement. Teach Bible classes. Hobbies include playing fantasy football and fantasy baseball. Earlier activities and information: Air Force career included tour in Vietnam 1970-71, Japan 1975-1978, and Germany 1983-1987; earned Masters in Accounting from U. of Alabama in 1972; received CPA credentials passing exam in 1973; coached kids soccer for 12 years taking 2nd in military European championships with U15 boys in Vicenza, Italy, in 1986.

#### **Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

- (1) Along with 2 or 3 others, painting Alcoa bridge 2 weeks before football game, leaving can of red paint behind at bridge, then seeing janitor cleaning front door to our high school Monday morning after someone had mysteriously thrown a can of red paint on it.
- (2) Watching Pete Paine trip over band instrument in hallway but still getting to his feet and being one of the first place finishers to the lunchroom one day (regardless of what he says, Steve Shields was also involved in those races).
- (3) Remembering to this day Ms. Reeds' daily instructions upon entrance to her Spanish I class, "Ponga la guma en la cesta, por favor."
- (4) Watching Charles Sullins and Wesley ? break a student desk during an arm wrestling contest in study hall.
- (5) Getting in trouble with the whole Chemistry class one day when during a pop test the teacher left the room and someone got up front and read off all the answers the teacher had left lying on his desk.
- (6) Along with Charles Sullins getting caught by the principal as we walked down the sidewalk toward town after ditching afternoon classes to go to work early.
- (7) Laying the perfect block on Newt Holloway during PE class that sprung Bricky Sturgeon for a touchdown.



## **Robert J. Studley**

**Xenia, Ohio**

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**Retired?** Yes **Year:** 2001 **Employer:** Beavercreek Schools

**Currently Employed?** Yes **Employer:** Self

**Spouse's Name:** Judy

**Spouse Retired:** Yes **Year:** 2000 **Employer:** Xenia Schools

**Currently Employed?** No

**Occupation:** Math teacher

**Occupation:** Handyman / Scuba Instructor

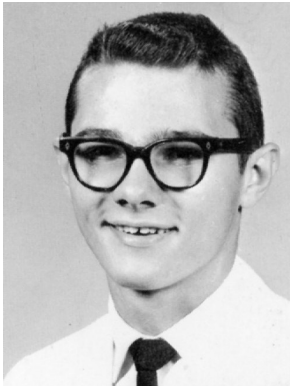
**Occupation:** First grade teacher

### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

- ◆ PADI Scuba Instructor at Aquatic Realm Scuba, Dayton, Ohio
- ◆ Handyman - doing home repairs and maintenance
- ◆ Travelling with camping trailer - spending the winter in Florida

### **Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

Playing football and taking pictures of couples at the dances.



## **David Thacker**

### **Nashville, Tennessee**

**Email:** davidthacker89@yahoo.com

**Retired?** Yes **Year:** 1995 **Employer:** TVA

**Currently Employed?** Yes **Employer:** Self-employed

**Spouse:** Divorced

**Children's Names & Ages:** Jenny – 40, Anna – 36

**Number of Grandchildren:** 5

#### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

- ◆ Actively working as cleaning contractor.
- ◆ Sing with group in Nashville called Nashville in Harmony.
- ◆ Oldest daughter Jenny has three children, Hunter – 19, Libby – 10, Ally – 8.
- ◆ Youngest daughter Anna has two children, Lauren – 6, TJ – 2.
- ◆ Active in my church, Glendale Baptist in Nashville.
- ◆ Enjoy family and friends.

**Occupation:** Training Officer

**Occupation:** Home cleaning contractor



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## **Susanna “Susie” Montgomery Trotter**

### **Richmond, Virginia**

**Email:** strotter45@verizon.net

**Retired?** Yes    **Year:** 2007

**Employer:** Ken Spruiill CPA

**Occupation:** Accounting

**Currently Employed?** No

**Children’s Names:** Susanna, Jimmy, Andrew, Will, Rebecca

**Number of Grandchildren:** 4

#### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

Upon graduation from UT in '67 & '68, the FBI moved my husband, a special agent, and me to Indianapolis, Gary, and finally Richmond, VA, where I have lived ever since. I stayed at home with the children and taught piano lessons until they were all in school and then I went to work for a CPA. I retired 6 years ago when my 4th grandchild came along.

I love playing tennis, gardening and, of course, being a Grandmother!

#### **Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

Although I didn’t attend MHS, I went to Fort Craig and the Junior High, so I know many who did attend. Maryville provided the quintessential “small town” upbringing. What a wonderful childhood experience!





## **Susan Lyell White**

### **Maryville, Tennessee**

**Email:** suziel1022@hotmail.com

**Facebook:** Susan White

**Twitter:** bigmama1022

**Retired?** Yes

**Children's Names & Ages:** Michael – 44, Nick – 40, Rachel – 36

**Number of Grandchildren:** 5

#### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

An English teacher for twenty-eight years; however, I retired as a middle school principal (a little bit of heaven; a little bit of hell). I stay busy writing, lunching with the ladies who lunch, shopping, reading, going to movies, a little traveling, and keeping grandchildren. Every now and then I am invited back into the classroom to cover for an extended leave of the teacher of record. At that particular time, I have a ball with the kids. Good times!

#### **Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

Anything I did with Judy and those Debs Club initiations. Mercy





## **Sam Wyman, [Rev. Dr.]**

### **Lancaster, Pennsylvania**

**Facebook:** Wyman, Sam A [Rev. Dr.]  
Formerly known as "Suzanne" or "Suzi"

**Retired?** Yes

**Occupation:** [Not in chronological order] Career consultant; counseling psychologist; organizational development consultant; pastor; psychiatric rehabilitation counselor; spiritual director; training consultant; university professor and administrator – counseling psychology/adult education and human resource development; writer

**Currently Employed?** No      **Current Occupation:** Contemplative, spiritual director, writer

#### **Activities during Past 10 Years**

Way too much to tell. Life is an amazing adventure, especially when you are following the One Who calls you...☺

#### **Memorable Times & Experiences at MHS**

- ◆ Going to the football games and yelling until I lost my voice; the time Skeeter Shields got a cleat in the forehead/eyebrow and came off the field gushing blood...
- ◆ Acting in plays with Mickey Carringer and others – the fun, the hard work, the great cast parties after
- ◆ The flies we were sure the principal kept breeding in his office and letting out in the building when spring came!
- ◆ The excitement of our classes – in love with learning in English and history and plane geometry
- ◆ Eating at The Dwarf after school
- ◆ Dropping our dictionaries in sophomore English when the teacher stood, leaning against the blackboard, dozing off
- ◆ Bill Patterson's gruesome glee when we were dissecting in biology class
- ◆ Dorothy Reed's securely predictable Spanish classes as we translated out loud, taking our turns up and down the rows of seats – "Basta....Y tradusca."
- ◆ Lee Hagan's amazing Latin and French classes. Having to spend the first weeks of French I just listening, memorizing, and repeating entire French conversations to get the sound of the language before ever seeing what the language looked like in print
- ◆ Teaching in the FLES [foreign language in the elementary schools] program at Sam Houston and Fort Craig Elementary Schools [awesome experience for a high school student!]
- ◆ Mrs. Beach's tennis shoes ☺

If you are wondering about an unexpected change in name and appearance, please know that Sam was born transgendered and has medically transitioned from his assigned gender to his correct gender since high school. Please feel free to contact him at [FriarSam@aol.com](mailto:FriarSam@aol.com) if you have questions.



# Class of 1963

## **The committee didn't hear from these classmates:**

Gary Bowers  
David Kilgore  
Gary King  
Mike Oliver  
Danny Rogers  
Charles Sullins  
Richard Talley  
Ted Wilson

## **We were unable to locate these:**

Glenna Bible  
Bob Durham  
Susan Dyer Robinson  
Helen Russ  
Barbara Stonesifer  
Ellen Waters

**The End**