



1980-2005

# Classmates No Longer With Us

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Wolfgang Ludwig

Jeff McLenithan

Peter Johnson

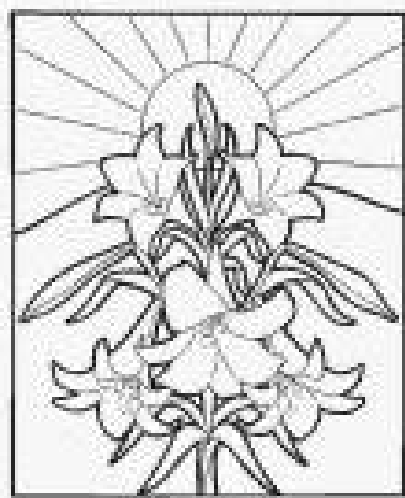
Dawn Bushee

Mike Blake

Scott Crandall

Jennifer Cullinan

Todd Bigart



# John Ahearn

I thank you for all the work you have done for this reunion. Unfortunately I am going to miss this great night. I would have never predicted that I would be celebrating my 25th year High School Reunion in the DESERT in KUWAIT!!!

During the past month, the daily high temperatures have ranged from 113f to 123f. I can hardly wait for it to warm up for summer! I am currently managing the Dining Facility at Camp Navistar, Kuwait, which is approximately 1/2 mile from the Iraq border. We serve approximately 1,000 soldiers (including coalition forces from Great Britain, Denmark, Fiji, Poland, Italy, etc.) per meal.

Please send my regards to any classmates that you are in touch with. Thank you!

Have a great day!

Thank you for your support!



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# Maria (Anzivino) Masnato

Married, 3 children-16, 12, 7, lived in England 6 years 1994-2000, lived in IL 5 years. stay at home mom.



# Ron Barnard

I am married and living in Bennington with my wife Melissa and son Brennon, who is a senior at MAUHS. I am currently employed at Central VT Public Service for the last 14 years. For hobbies we enjoy watching Brennon play high school baseball and when that's over we travel the Northeast taking Brennon Motorcross Racing. We also enjoy hunting Fishing and snowmobiling.



# Lisa (Beaudoin) Shea

Married to Mark Shea-High school sweetheart.  
Graduated from Laseele Junior College.

We have 3 children-Nathan, Zach, and Bridget.

Ran the Mount Snow Valley Chamber of commerce for 11 years as executive director.

Secretary/treasurer and board member for the VT Assoc. of chamber executives. Just recently moved back to Bennington where Mark and I own and operate Shea FamilyFuneral Homes, Hanson & Walbridge, Brewster Funeral, Corey & Allen Service, and Hanson & Walbridge in Arlington.

Hobbies are having fun with my children, horse back riding, snowmobiling, and snowshoeing.



# Anne (Betit) Hilliard

Wayne and I will have our 24th Anniversary this June. I have 2 children, Rachel 16 and Sean 12.

I work for the school system at the central office. I currently work for Jim Boutin in the Technology Dept. as secretary. I came here after 20 years at Grand Union. I have an associates degree in accounting from Southern VT College (class of 82)



# Jeff Betit

Married, two kids

Have my own construction company



# In Memory Of Todd D. Bigart

## 8/21/61-6/28/04



Todd fought a long battle with kidney & heart disease. He married Doris Cross on July 16, 1983 and was happily married until the time of his death. Todd's daughter Christy was the pride & joy of his life.

He worked as a Mason Tender & Carpenter until his illness in 1990. He had many interests. Todd enjoyed spending time with his girls riding 4-wheelers, hunting, fishing, boating, and spending time at camp. He enjoyed traveling and had taken many trips to Florida, Maine, New Hampshire, Las Vegas & the Grand Canyon.

Todd enjoyed making people laugh; he lived his life to the fullest right to the end. His theory was "To Live Like You Were Dying." Todd had many friends and was a wonderful loving person.

# Howard Bishop Tami (Shultze) Bishop

Tami Shultze married to Howard Bishop.  
Associates Degree Mechanical Engineering.  
Currently work for St Gobain Performance  
Plastics in Hoosick Falls NY. Two sons ages  
7 and 3.

Howard Bishop married to Tami Shultz. 3rd  
year Electrical Apprentice works currently for  
Interstate Electrical Services.



# Paula (Bisson) Zoito

I have been married for 8 1/2 years to Al Zoito. Prior to that I had moved away to the Washington DC area for 13 years, but got tired of the “hustle and bustle”. I have no children, but plenty of nieces and nephews. My occupation is a Medical Laboratory Technicain. I work full time for Williamstown Medical Assoc. and perdiem at North Adams Regional Hospital. Still love singing and I love playing volleyball.



# Gina (Bourdon) Recio

I am married with 2 children. 1 daughter is 23 years old and married with twins girls, my other daughter is 12 years old. My husband and I work together, we own an equipment Rental business.



# Edward Bourne

Divorced, working in construction, with a company out of Rutland.

Living day to day with my best buddy, my friend, my son Austin Matthew Bourne.

Our hobbies are fishing, long walks, and yard work.



# Mary (Brochu) Cannavan

17 years married to Tim Cannavan. We have two sons Bernie and Victor, ages 15 and 14.

I am still with Merchants Bank, now 25 years. The gift for 25 years was two airline tickets, we went to California and spent a week with my sister.

I'm more involved in high school extra curricular activities with my oldest son than I ever was when I was there.



# Warren Buhl

Married- 2 children, Kate-15, Eric-13.  
MCLA/CPA/Golf- Coaching kids sports.



# Kevin Burgess

After I left Bennington in 1981 I moved to Burlington. In 1983 I married my wife Karen. We have 4 children 2 boys and 2 girls. our son Justin is a Junior at UNH. Our son Christopher will graduate from Colchester High School. Our daughter Elyssa is a high school freshman and Emily is in 6th grade. I worked in the retail grocery business until 1999. For the last 6 years I have been at IBM.

I still enjoy outdoor activities like hunting and fishing.



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# Lori Burke

I have been living in Southwest Florida for the past 16 years. For all of this time, my career has been focused in the human resource field. I spent 10 years with the city of Naples, FL government and “retired” as the Director of Human Resources. After 2 years of running my own consulting business, I took the opportunity to join a family owned start up land development company in which I am establishing the H.R. Dept. I am happily partnered and spend any free time with our 2 dogs and 3 cats, traveling in the travel trailer.



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# Cindy (Bushee) Hester

I have been married for 18 years. I have three children, one son and twin girls. I work for a Metal Fabrication Company in Orlando. I am office manager. I became a proud grandmother last year of a little girl and have a grandson on the way this year. My hobbies, well lets say cleaning up after hurricanes.

# Sue (Carriere) deSamsonow

I'm Married to Alex and mom to a daughter Amy. She keeps me busy with her activities. I'm an Optician/Stay at home mom. We love swimming, boating, fishing at our secret spot. My hobbies for now are my family.



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# Maura (Clifford) Slavin

Hello! Twenty five years- wow! Let's see. After getting a BS degree at UVM, I worked for IBM for 7 or 8 years in Dutchess and Westchester counties in NY, where I met my husband, Mike. I quit IBM to raise our children. We now have four girls ages 4-13. In the summer of 2004, we moved to Durham, NH. Mike had the opportunity to start a computer curriculum at Pembroke Academy ( in Pembroke NH). We're enjoying the snow ( but not the cold!) and getting to know the people here. We're especially enjoying living near my sister Eileen.



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# Mike Colliano

Married Susan A. Smith May 7th, 1988. Completed 4 years in the Navy. Honorably discharged. Licensed Vermont Master Plumber. 2 children-Sam age 15-Jacob age 12. Enjoy coaching youth sports-football, baseball, soccer-Recently completed 20th year coaching Little League Baseball. Hobbies include hunting, fishing, and 4 wheeling all with my kids. We especially enjoy duck hunting with our dog Bailey (A Chesapeake Bay Retriever). Currently employed at Southwestern Vermont Medical Center.



# Jeff Congdon

After MAUHS, I attended Williams College Graduating in 1984. I Took 2 years off, traveling and working in Africa and London, England. Received my M.D. from UVM in 1990. From there I traveled to Minneapolis, Minnesota where i did my Internship & Residency in general Surgery. I also met my future wife Jennifer Wingate i was her intern for several months, we married at the Old Bennington First Church in 1996. From Minneapolis we moved to Buffalo, New York for 5 years where we were blessed with our first Daughter Bret. We subsequently moved to Ohio for a year and now reside in Anchorage, Alaska. Our move to the land of the midnite sun was essentially A Pre-Nuptial Agreement. We've lived in Anchorage for the past 4 years. We welcomed our second daughter Brooke last year.

We enjoy everything Alaska has to offer, the great outdoors of course, including skiing, camping, fishing, golf, long summer days and snow filled winters. We also take yearly vacations to the islands of Hawaii, and try to return to Vermont yearly as well. Its hard to believe that it been 25 years since leaving Benn. and Mount Anthony. Looking forward to the Reunion and seeing some familiar faces even though its been 25 years. Lots of memories and 25 years of changes to share.



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# April (Cook) Downey

I graduated from California State University-Fullerton with a bachelor's in psychology and stayed in California for 8 years.

I now live about 25 miles south of Boston (and REALLY MISS the warm Southern California winters.)

I am in medical sales, we sell products for babies/preemies in newborn intensive care units.

My son Michael just turned 8 and is the best part of my life.



# Donna (Coyne) Russell

Lets see?? I have 2 children Megan 21, and Jonathan 18, I am not married-yuk!

I drive a truck for Tyson Foods. 5 dogs (1 belongs to my mom) live with me. I love Nascar-when it comes to Jeff Gordon, I love it! need it! or want it!

Cant wait to see everyone.





# Steve Cross

Hi, My name is Steve and I have been married for 20 years to my wife Linda. I have my own business Roofing and Construction, I've had it for about 5 years. I have 3 step daughters all on their own, one grandson. My hobbies: softball, flag football, darts, bowling, hunting, and fishing. I'm on the board in Bennington mens softball and I umpire too. I enjoy my family and friends and I've been sober 4 years and 4 months.



# Diane (Danielson) Thomas

Married to husband Jeff for 22 years. Two daughters Elizabeth 16, and Holly 13. Stay busy with various volunteer and church organizations. Work part time as wedding coordinator. We enjoy traveling, movies, dining out and being with friends.



# David DeQuasie

Hello everyone, After leaving Mt. Anthony, I went to the Berklee College of Music in Boston, MA. and then the Institute of Audio Research in NY City. Since then I've been playing and teaching music for a living. Traveling in bands has been fun (and crazy). Over the years, I've managed to play in Europe and on cruise ships. But since buying a house in Florida, I'm a bit grounded. I'm still single, just lucky I guess, and some of my hobbies are going to the gym and surviving hurricanes. Hope you're all doing well! Have fun. Sorry about the last 2 elections, Florida has long been known as a "scam state", Keep those Dean stickers on your cars, we'll need him even more in 2008



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# Michelle (DesMeules) Lemieux

I'm married with 3 children ages 24 years, 15 years, and 11 years. I have a BS and BA in Medical Technology and Biology. I started working at the Williamstown Medical Assoc. right out of college in their lab. unfortunately they have closed the lab 2 years ago and I am now working as a medical assistant for the Ob/Gyn dept. at the same facility. My family likes to camp. So we plan camping trips every year.



# Paul Dicranian

You'll be glad to know that I'm still with the same woman I have been with since we graduated from high school, that of course being Patricia Bull, we have been together for 26 years, married for 24 years.

After high school I went to work for my father and grandfather doing vinyl siding and roofing for a couple of years until I broke away from them and started my own siding and roofing business known as Two Guys Siding and Roofing. I have had this business for about 25 years. I had my oldest son Jason who worked for me until he graduated and went off to college in Iowa. He now works at Nastech, is married to a nice girl and my wife and I have a beautiful little granddaughter from them, her name is Taylor Marie Dicranian. I now have my youngest son Jared who works for me until he finds a new job, he is looking to work at Nastech with his brother.

Jason is now 25 and Jared is 20 and my granddaughter is going to be 5 in July. I have a great family, I live in North Bennington and have been there for about 8 years and we love it. My wife works across the street from our home so it is convenient for her, she has been a sewer for 18 years. I love to bowl and have a first place team this year, I have Jason, Jared and a couple of other guys on the team and its nice to have my sons on the team with me. I also love to coach wrestling, as you remember I wrestled all through high school. I coached my son Jason since he was 7 years old through sports, baseball, football, bowling and of course wrestling. I have been an assistant coach for 18 years at the middle school and high school level and I am the main coach for the youth program. I have a great interest in hunting as well, deer and turkey especially. We have a camp in Shaftsbury Hollow that we have had for 21 years and its always fun to be there for 2 weeks. We do come home for things we need during the week if we have to etc. I love family get togethers during the summer and for any occasion. I'm a Nascar fan of the Earnhardts Sr and Jr now that Sr has passed on. I could probably go on and on but I'll stop here. I think I have a pretty good life.



# Rene Gagnon

My wife Cindy and I have 2 children, Ethan 10 years old and Emily 6 years old. I am a general contractor and Cindy is a Systems Specialist for Fletcher Allen Medical Center.

I am retiring from the Marine Corps on Aug. 1, 2005 and returned from a 14 month mobilization as a Battalion Commander in 2004.

Work and the kids sports, Boy Scouts, Camps, Etc., keep us real busy.



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# **Edward Gilbert**

## **Lisa (Bouplon) Gilbert**

Ed and myself have been married for 23 years. Have 2 children a boy and a girl, ages 24 and 22. We are going to be grandparents any day, Our first grandchild.

Ed served 13 years in the Army, was awarded the Purple Heart for injuries he received during the Iraq war.

Ed works at Eller Bros. Construction. Lisa works at United Natural Foods.

We reside in Halifax VT. Love to go boating and ride our 4 wheelers on our property.



# Kelly (Gorman) Paquette

We purchased our first house 5 years ago here in Bennington.

I presently work from home doing daycare for my niece.





# **Julie (Harrington) Stratton**

Husband Hector, children Timmy 30, Tighe 26, Neil 21, Jade, 16, Hunter 12.

I do childcare in my home.

Family into racing, race at Lebanon Valley Saturday nights. Hector and son Neil both race. Jade and Hunter into basketball.

It all keeps me very busy.

# Mike Harrington

Still married to Kym (20 years now). I own a Freihoffer route in middlebury. We are currently relocated to that area.

Our oldest daughter just finished her freshman year at UNH, Chad is a senior in high school, Jared is in 10th grade, Michaela is in 8th, and Seth is in 7th.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the reunion. See you then.



# Doug Hauser

I am married, my wifes name is Tiffany. We have 4 kids, Douglas-20, Mathew-18, Dustin-14, Tori-12.

I work for a company called Stanley Screw Machine Products Corp., where I am a machinist.

My wife and I bowl on a league and I like playing golf. We enjoy going to Cleveland Indians games during the summer and spending time with the kids and all of their activities. Of course the video and computer games are played.

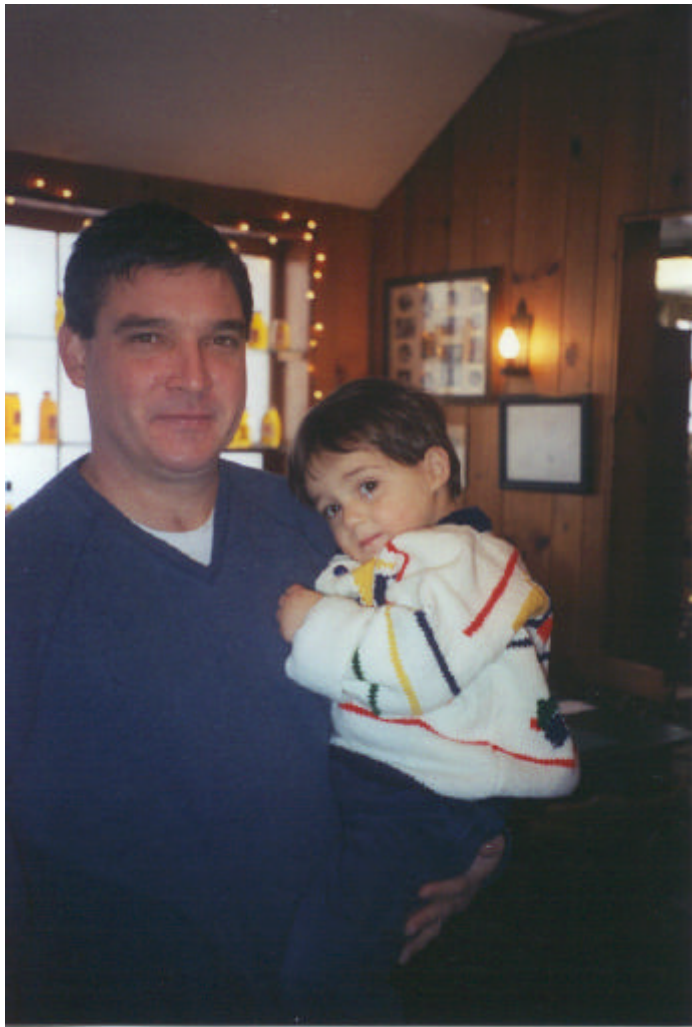


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# John Haynes

In 1994 I married Lynda Montondo and we have three children, Taylor, Shelby, and Jack.

We recently opened a furniture store at the old fairdale farms complex on West Rd. in Bennington.



# Gary Hewitt

Up to: My wife Terri and I will be celebrating our 20th anniversary on Aug. 24th. Our youngest child Lance will be going into 6th grade this fall and our daughter Kayla will be heading to college in the fall. (how time goes) I am still employed at Energizer Battery Co. in Bennington with 21 years as a Mechanical Technician with hopes of a promotion to Engineering Technician before years end.

My wife, son, and I are avid golfers but our daughter could care less, she loves to bowl and play softball.

Hunting, fishing, and snowmobiling are all favorite activities of mine.

We are currently in the final and finishing stages of a major renovation on our house. (I thought would never get here)  
We presently have two black lab dogs, a three year old and his dad who is 11 years old. Both dogs love the water and playing catch with the kids.

OK I think that should cover it?

I could go on forever.



# Tracy Hoyt

Married to my wife Tina, 3 children Jessica 23, Billy 21, Jeremy 18, and one step daughter Desiree 22.

I've been a plumber since being discharged from the US Navy in 83. Turned master plumber in 87. I was self employed for 12 years before pursuing greater ventures. Currently working for P.C.E. Plumbing, Heating and Cooling as a commercial manager.

I love traveling and vacations. My favorite place in the world is Las Vegas with Hawaii a close second. I still find some time for hunting, 4 wheeling, football and Nascar every sunday.



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# Wren (Jareckie) Sugarman

I've been married to my husband Jeff since 1995. My son was born in 1999, he is now in Kindergarten. I'm a typical suburban mom right now-complete with a station wagon (yikes). Luckily my husband still plays in a couple of rock bands so I do get out and "play" still! We're heading to Tuscany Italy for a week in May-and we still get to Bennington fairly often to enjoy the fresh air.



# Jon Kennedy

## After MAUHS

US Air Force (Dec.1980-Dec. 1984)

Places stationed

Lackland AFB, San Antonio, TX: Basic Training (Dec1980-Jan 1981)

Lackland AFB, San Antonio, TX: Law Enforcement Training (Feb. 1981-June1981)

Indian Springs AF Aux. Field, Indian Springs NV: 1st assignment (June 1981-Sept. 1982)

Osan Air Base, Korea: 2nd assignment (Nov.1892-Nov1983)

Griffis AFB, Rome, NY: 3rd and last assignment (Dec. 1983-Dec1984)

Discharged Dec 10, 1984 as a Senior Airman (E-4)

## After USAF

Pharmacy Technician, SVMC, Bennington, VT (1985-1987)

New School of Television and Radio, Albany, NY (1987)

Radio Announcer, WHGC-FM, Bennington, VT (1987-1988) and WMMW-AM, Meridan, CT (1988-1989)

Moore Medical Corporation-Sales, New Britain, CT (1989-1990)

Primerica/Citigroup-Office Manager and Meeting/Convention Planner, Waldorf, MD (1990-Present)

## Personal

Married to Debbie Young from Forest Heights, MD, Nov. 21, 1992, after moving to Washington DC area in June of that year. I met Debbie through our business in Bennington, Aug 1990. We do not have any children.

Member of Oxon Hill Lions Club, Oxon Hill MD, since July 1998. Club President 2002-2003.

Enjoy traveling (especially to Naples, Florida in the winter), sightseeing, walking, coin collecting, computers, digital photography/video, dining out, movies, television and some shopping.

I'm in Bennington at least six times a year to visit family, friends and nearby places. It would be great to see some classmates also.



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# Rebecca Kennedy Richmond



# Billy Krawczyk

Bill is married for 20 years in Oct. We have 2 children, a son 17 and a daughter 15. Normally he is a manager for Alltel Publishing but he is currently deployed with the US Army and serving in Iraq. We hope he will be home in Jan. 2006. He loves spending time with family and friends but especially his kids. He stays very active playing basketball, golfing, and relaxing in our pool. He will be very sorry he wasn't able to make the reunion this year. He tried to get there for the 20th but was unable due to family circumstances. If anyone would be interested in dropping him a hello his address is:

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# **Sheryl ( Krawczyk) Urban-Jacobs**

Married 3-13-04 to Steven Jacobs of Burlington, VT. Steven works for JDX. I am owner of Magnolia Daycare Center LLC of South Burlington.

3 sons- Conrad Barnes 22, Zachary Barnes 20, EMT w/Army, Spencer Barnes 18.

New hobby (to keep up with sons and Steven) is Snowboarding. Enjoy life to the fullest each and everyday.

# Andrew LaBonte

Here is a brief summary of my life since 1980. 1981-1985 I attended UVM majoring in music theory and composition. 1986-87 graduate study of music at SUNY Albany. 1991 I moved to the Boston area and married Wendy, a Burlington native. We lived in Arlington, MA and then Acton. In 1995 we built our first house in Bellingham, MA. Our daughter, Charlotte, was born in 1999. We built our 2nd house in the summer of 2000, and moved to New Hampshire in November of that year. For the past six years I have been President of my own Company, A&W Picture Frame, Inc. a wholesale manufacturer of hardwood picture frames and mouldings.



# Gary Lampron

I presently work in Hoosick Falls, NY at St. Gobain.

I bought 17 acres of land on Middle Pownal Rd. a few years after graduation.

I enjoy working outdoors and spend a lot of time working in my wood, and doing yardwork. I also enjoy shopping and going on vacations. Never been married.



# John Lariviere

Here it is:

Spent the summer of 1980 goofing off around Vermont. Spent alot of time at the quarry in Dorset Vt. swimming and raising hell, driving around terrorizing the roads, narrowly escaping trouble with the law, downtime in the hospital, death, etc. Got away with it; probably shouldn't have. Got enrolled at SVC, however opted for the Navy; having the good sense to know staying around Bennington meant the continuation of a variety of non-productive activities.

1980-1986: US Navy Data Systems Technician. This was a tough transition at first. A lifetime of doing whatever I wanted to do exchanged for regimentation. Had a good time, though I never considered the Navy as a career. First exposure to working divers is the Navy. Both ship assignments; USS Proteus, Guam; USS Frank Cable, Charleston, SC; had Navy Divers on board.

Fall 1986-Spring 1987: Back in VT. A bad time to get into civilian computer market. Realization is made that John L. is not really the computer geek type. OK in the Navy; where most of my buddies were snipe rate guys; no good on the outside. Made the decision to get into the diving business.

1987-1999: Attended commercial diving technical school in Houston TX from April 87-Sept 87. Realize this is the thing for me. School is fun, Houston is fun; always liked the water. Perfect. Oct 87, move to New Iberia, LA and join Global Divers. Reality sets in immediately. Got into the diving business seeking sand and bikinis; found mud and rednecks. Worked like a slave to get ahead; busted through apprenticeship in 23 months; dove saturation by Dec. 1989. Met Lisa Caillouet in spring of 1991; a cajun girl from Opelousas, LA a respiratory therapist. Lisa and I married in summer of 1992. Wed in Jamaica. Lisa, the kiddies and I lived in Carencro, LA from 1993-2002. 1st daughter Camille born in 1994; 2nd daughter Claire born in 1996. Daddy continued working as a diver through to 1999. Made thousands of surface air and surface mixed gas dives; 300 or so days in saturation. Blew bubbles from as deep as 450 feet of water.

1999-2001: Made decision 6 years in the Navy and 12 years offshore oil field diving is enough time looking at the water. I moved into Global Divers New Iberia office in a Project Manager position. Managing jobs with average value in 600k-1.2Mil range is a new reality. In January 2001 accepted position as Operations Manager of Global Divers for the domestic Gulf of Mexico; Bay of Campeche and West Africa. This position was and is the biggest pain in the neck I ever experienced.

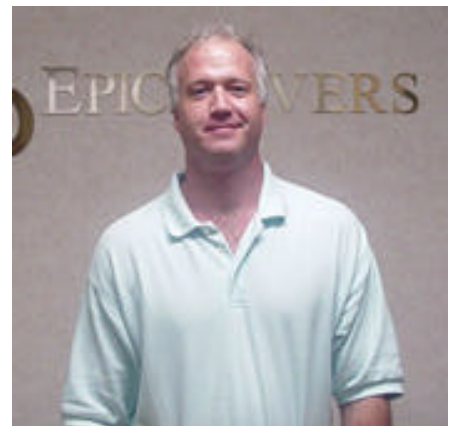
2002-2003: Had enough of Global Divers after 15 years; Accepted position as SR Estimator with Cal Dive International; moved family to Houston TX. Spent 18 months at Cal Dive smothering among a Prima-Donna crowd of Cal Dive born and raised ex-divers.

2003- Present: Aug 2003 was recruited by Epic Divers as project manager/estimator for Houston office. Shook things up at Epic; pulled Epic into pipeline system completion diving market (old comfort zone for me with Global Divers through my entire history with Global) Early in 2004, formed Epic "Projects Dept." to deal with turn key pipeline lay/bury barge support for projects in domestic Gulf of Mexico, Bay of Campeche and Mediterranean waters of offshore Israel.

Presently the family and I live in Conroe TX. The neighborhood has deer running through it like gray squirrels do in Bennington. Lisa works as an in house respiratory therapist, allowing her to be home when the kids leave and return from school. Camille is in 5th grade; Claire is in 3rd grade. One of these days I'll figure out what I want to do when I grow up.

There it was.

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# Richard Lasher

Not too much exciting to tell you; I am one to say “no news is good news”.

I have been happily married for 13 years, my wife Kathy and I have 2 black labs and 2 cats. I would have to say that the dogs are our pride and joy. We have done quite a bit of work to our house, my wife has done all the designing for us. We try to do as much as we can together, we like to go to concerts, sporting events, and we are very much into Nascar. I personally love to watch anything turn left. Still love to watch just about any sport. We both wish we could be a little more active but in today’s world it’s hard enough to go to work to pay the bills. However with summer here we are outside as often as we can. We are very close to the beach which makes it nice.

I work for a company out of Rochester NY called Castle Hi-Tech Chemistry. Chemicals for the automotive and industrial industries. I have been with them for 6 months with no complaints. I am a salesman for them and they treat me pretty well. We sponsor a race car so I get to go to some races which is cool.

So thats about it, not too exciting but I wouldn’t change a thing.



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# Valerie (Leard) Clark

Paul and I have been married for 25 years. We have 6 children, 3 biological, 3 adopted. Four of the children are adults now. We also have 4 grandchildren. My family is my main interest although I enjoy a good book now and then, and working on my crafts. I have taken courses in medical terminology and medical transcription, and I am employed at the hospital. I was elected as vice president of the reunion committee at our 20th class reunion and enjoy the challenge.





# Jason Longo

From Mt Anthony I went to Wesleyan University in Middletown, CT where I earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Mathematic (Computer Science).

After graduation, I started working at a Digital Equipment Corporation and moved to Marlborough, MA. I stayed in Marlborough and with Digital, in various software related capacities, for the next 12 years. In the summer of 1996 I moved to Ayr, Scotland and started a small software and consulting company (PRL Scotland Ltd.) with 2 of my former Digital colleagues. In the fall of 1997, while back in VT visiting Dave Tilgner, I met my future wife Marybeth. A year later we were engaged and by the end of 1998 I was telecommuting to Scotland from Waterbury, VT. In the fall of 1999 Marybeth and I got married. In the summer of 2001 my partners and I started to wind down PRL (it had grown to 8 employees) and sold off the software we had developed. In the spring of 2002 I started working for the IT department of Green Mountain Coffee Roasters in Waterbury, where I have been since. Both Dave and Marybeth happen to work here as well, although we are all in different departments. Marybeth and I have a house in Duxbury, just across the Winooski river and about 1.5 miles from work. This past summer we adopted our son Will who was born in Guatemala. Will turns 2 at the end of June (same birthday as Daniel Rowe, for those of you who are keeping track of that sort of thing) Although we got a late start at parenting, we are both loving it!



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# Craig Mann

Married 22 years to my wife, Trude. We have 3 kids Zackery 22, Heath 13, and Quin 11.

I am the Case Manager at 204 Depot St, a short term group home for troubled boys. Trude works at Bennington Furniture.



# Dan MARRS

I am currently living in New Hampshire and working for a computer firm.

My son just graduated from UVM and my daughter is 16 so life is interesting.

Im still involved in sports, softball and basketball, right now an avid fan of the Red Sox (DT-yes they did win). Ive been renovating houses and apartments on the side and traveling, when I can.

Overall, life is great.



# Steve Martin

Still working at Radio Shack and still a ham radio operator. But here is the bad news I am in the middle of divorcing my wife of seven years and I was not even going to attend the class reunion, but a classmate wants me to, so I think I will.



# Scott Mather

I am still living in Bennington.

I am the print manager for the Pennysaver.

Yes I finally left the Banner. Have been manager for 1 year plus now. Been at the Pennysaver for 5 years.

Still not married.

As you may have heard I play alot of golf or try to at least.



# Sandy Mattison

I am still living in Bennington. I have a 15 year old daughter whom I love very much, her name is Ashlee. I am currently working at Porta-Brace Inc. in North Bennington. I have worked there for 5 years, I work in Graphics and Data Entry. I also have a part time job at North River Winery, I give Wine Tastings and also sell the wine, both in Bennington and Manchester.

I am still best friends with Kathy Cannavan Tifft. We have been friends since 7th grade.

I really enjoyed helping with the 20th and 25th reunions, and I hope you enjoy this book we put together.



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# Jo-Anne (McDonald) Peacock

I've been married 11 years on reunion date to a great guy Bill. We have two beautiful and smart children, Sophie 8 3/4 and Will 7, who attend North Bennington graded. I'm a retired medical transcriptionist, having run my own business for seven years. Our family has been traveling the states and Canada in our RV extensively the past couple of years. The biggest journey took us to Alaska via the perimeter of the states. 100 sleepless nights, 17,000 miles, 30 states and two provinces! Fantastic, and plan on making the diary into a book! At least for the family's sake.



# Michael R. Montondo

I am married, for 16 years, have a 13 year old son- Kyle. We live in the country with 2 horses and our black lab Lucky. I am a Superintendent for a construction company, and my wife works in a lighting show room. We love auto racing, our horses, “my Harley” and camping. Also going to Florida on vacation.





# Lisa Morrison

It's hard to believe that 25 years have passed since we graduated from MAU. No wonder this summary of "my life since high school" seems a bit like a novel. Since I will be unable to attend the reunion, I've touched on more than just the highlights.

In 1986, I graduated from Stephens College, in Columbia, MO with a BA in Business Administration. After graduation, I returned to Canada where I worked in a variety of retail stores while continuing my equestrian career. At the end of 1989, I retired from competitive riding, having competed for over 10 years, including several years at the Intermediate level of 3-day evening with my Irish-bred horse, Megantic.

In 1990, I began my high tech career with a position at Fulcrum Technologies, a software company in Ottawa. I also purchased my first house, a "handyman's special" located close to where I worked. For five years, I worked in the corporate services group. During the high tech boom of the early 90's, I spent a year in San Francisco, opening and managing Fulcrum's west coast office.

I left Fulcrum to refocus my career on marketing. After a year with a marketing agency, I found a position with another software Company Jetform. Once again my job was within walking distance of my second house, which I purchased in 1995. At Jetform, I was responsible for developing marketing programs for the government market. In 2001, the company rebranded itself as Accelio. The rebranding process was an amazing experience and took over 9 months to complete. Unfortunately, the "new" company was set to launch on Sept 17, 2001. Unable to recover from the effects of Sept 11th, the company became the target of a hostile takeover and was eventually acquired by Adobe systems in early 2002. The entire marketing department was laid off in May 2002.

Only a few weeks after my layoff, I readjusted my career once again when I hired by Equine Canada, the national equestrian sport federation. As the Canadian Equestrian Team Coordinator. I was responsible for coordinating the team's participation at major competitions, such as World and Continental Championships. In addition, as Manager of Coaching, I had the responsibility of administering the national coaching certification program, which is delivered across Canada. In 2003, I was chosen as Team Leader for the 2003 Pan Am Games in Santo Domingo, an honor usually reserved for volunteers.

Since I worked at the national equestrian federation, it only seemed fitting that I should own a horse. In 2003, I bought my first horse in over a decade. Jake, another Irish-bred horse, was young and feisty when I got him as a 3 1/2 year old. Now going on 6, he is maturing into a great athlete. I hope to show off his talent this summer, when I return to competition for the first time in 15 years.

At the end of 2004, after almost 10 years of work, I finally completed the renovation of my second home, a turn-of-the-century brick house in central Ottawa. Having done most of the work myself, I consider it to be one of my biggest accomplishments.

In my "spare" time, I try to fit in as much travel as I can. While my work has taken me to many cities in the US and Canada, I have also traveled for pleasure to Australia, New Zealand, England, Ireland, CostaRica, Scotland, Panama, and Mexico.

I'm sorry to be missing out on the reunion. I hope you all have a great time.



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# **Tim Nichols**

## **Cathy (LaFlamme) Nichols**

Happily married for twenty years. We have two beautiful children. Lauren who just turned twenty and Austin who is going on seventeen.

Tim is a master plumber and owns his own business. I currently work at SWVMC. We reside in Bennington.



# Melody Niles

Married 23 years

Graduated from Southern VT College

Secretary at Robert J. Greene Inc.

We have three children 2 boys and a girl, we are also doing adoption for a 4th child.



# Mark Page

## Susan (Rivers) Page

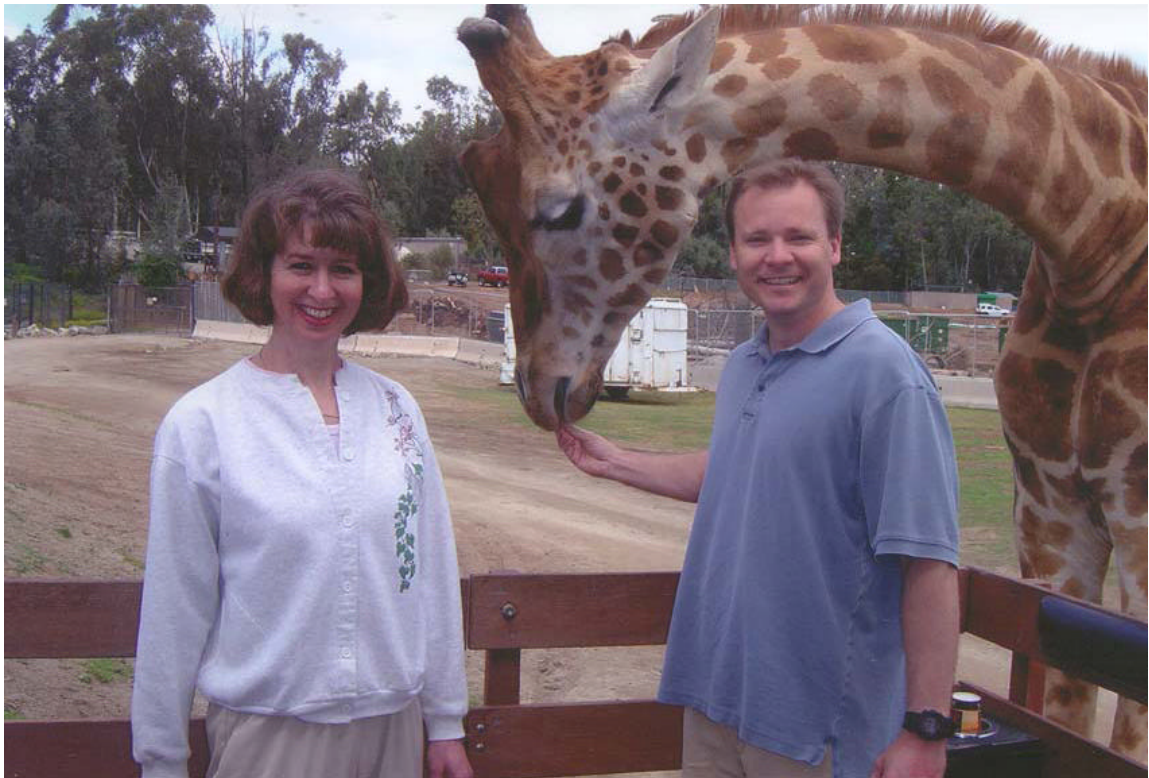
Susan (Rivers) Page and Mark Page are a pair of MAU high school sweethearts that still live in Bennington. Susan is a third/fourth grade teacher at Molly Stark Elementary. Mark is a Civil Engineer working for Petricca Industries in Pittsfield Mass. We have 3 children; Owen 9, Grace 7, and Evan 4. And yes that will be all the children thank you very much. Our life consists of work, soccer, work, dance, work, baseball, work, gymnastics, work, chorus, work, basketball, work, guitar lessons, work, School Board work, and an occasional meal and sleep.



# Randi (Palladino) Osen

After graduation I moved to Southern California and have been there ever since! I love the warm sunny weather and being close to the ocean. The smartest thing I've done since high school was to marry my husband, Dave Osen. We were both at USC working on our graduate degrees when we met. He was an officer in the Navy. They transferred him from Los Angeles to San Diego after he finished his degree and we have been there ever since. He is out of the Navy now, and working as an Engineer. We've been married for 10 happy years, 12 total. (Just kidding, they've all been happy!). We've been fortunate and able to travel to a bunch of places like Japan, Hawaii, and Europe. We even lived in Italy for a month.

After high school I went to UCLA for my undergraduate degree and USC for grad school. I majored in Business Economics and Finance. I have an MBA and have a CPA license. Most of my career has been at large high tech companies doing financial planning and analysis. Two years ago I changed industries and began working at the Port of San Diego as a Manager of Financial Planning. What I like most about my job is the view of the ocean from our offices!



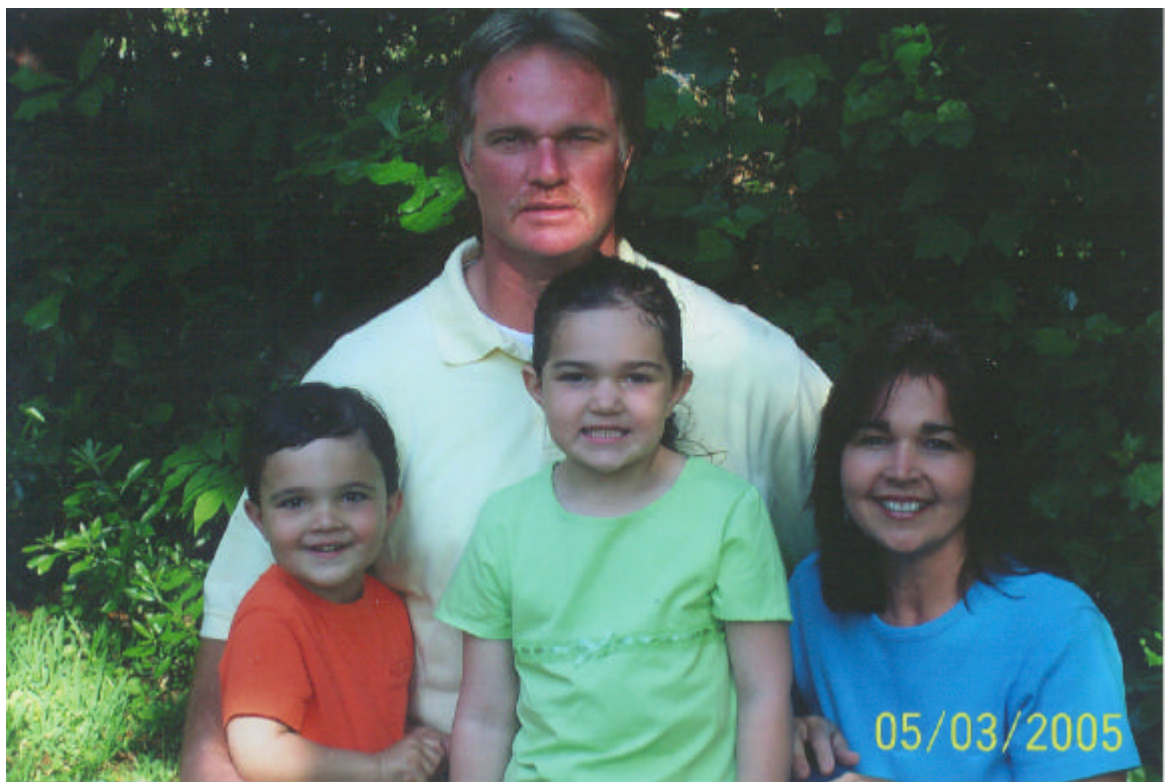
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# Gary Parmenter

Married to Diane for 10 years. Have 2 children, Emma 5 1/2 and Evan 3.

Work for NES (National Equipment Services) Drive 18 wheeler, delivering rental equipment.

Hobbies-work out at the World Gym, spend time with my family, going to the beach and watching any/all sports on TV.



# **Rick Pembroke**

## **Wendy (Burdick) Pembroke**

We have been married for 22 years. We have 3 children, Jessica is 21 and a senior at Syracuse University. Katelyn is 19 and a sophomore at Northwestern University. Rick is 17 and a senior at MAU. Rick recently took a position as Business manager of the school system after 19 years in banking. I am a home health care provider. Our hobby has been attending our kids sporting events.



# Charlie Peterson

I am still married, I have three children, two boys, one girl. Their names are Charles Jr., Alex, and Hailey.

Love to camp, and go to the ocean.

I still work for Big Y super markets for 18 years.





# Wendy (Pinsonneault) Ballou

Still enjoying running my Day Care 23 years now.  
Trying to keep up with my 4 1/2 year old Adam.  
On the Bennington County Child Care Association  
Board.

Happily married for 5 1/2 years now.



# Sue (Potter) Pochop

I have been married for 23 years to Peter Pochop and we have four children; Kristin- 20, Martina& Morgan- 18year old twins, and Hayden- 11. We have lived in Richmond, Vermont for 18 years. After MAUHS, I attended Green Mountain College and received an Associates Degree in Executive Secretarial Studies. I have been employed at the University of Vermont for 7 years. I worked almost 5 years in the Dean's office for the College of Arts & Sciences and have now been 2 years at the Center for student Ethics & Standards (Judicial Affairs). In my "spare" time I like to read, crochet, knit, and collect spoons, lighthouses, and bells. I volunteer a great deal in my community. I am a member of the justice of the peace/ Board of Civil Authority and can perform marriages and civil unions. I am currently head of a committee working to create a teen center for the students of the Chittenden East School District. In the past, I chaired a committee that built a large playground in the local park. I have been a member of the Select board, Zoning Board of Adjustment, Recreation Committee, Girl Scout Leader, Cub Scout Leader, Richmond Business Association, Richmond Women's Group, Twin's Club, Adoption Group, Sunday School Teacher, Church Bazaar Committee etc.



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# Amy (Pratt) Hoyt

I am presently single. I was married to Tracy Hoyt for 13 years, and together we have three wonderful kids. Jessica is 23, William 21, and Jeremy 18. I have done home daycare for the last 23 years-I absolutely love it!! The way I see it, I get paid to play. I have been told that dealing with “little angels” for such a long time, I should be eligible for sainthood. I am not sure if that is true, but... I truly feel blessed to have the patience and love to do this job. Aside from bowling in a weekly league, I enjoy walking, gardening, relaxing with a good book, cooking, playing backgammon on the computer, and of course, Reunion planning!!



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# Denise (Radloff) Brookman

Married to Jeff Brookman since 82. Living in Middleton Idaho, outside Boise. Keyara and Kyle both attending Boise State University and living on their own.

We do lots of snowmobiling, four wheeling, camping, biking, anything outside. Busy with work and tending to horses. Wish we could come back to VT to visit

# Kimberlee (Rice) Foster

I am married, no children. I currently work for a surgeon in Bennington as an administrative assistant, before that I worked for SW VT Medical Center. I am very active in my church, Green Mt. Christian center, I teach preschoolers once a week at my church. My husband retired from US Army back in Aug. 2004 after serving 20 years and is enrolled at Faith school of Theology in Charleston, Maine which is near Bangor. We hope to start a church after his graduation or be an Associate Pastor. My job keeps me quite busy, so I don't have much free time, but when I do, I love to travel, spend time with my husband and our pets. I also sell Avon Products.



# Karen (Riley) McElwain

I have been married for 15 years to Dave. We have 2 children Evan-10 and Paige-8, and Dave has a married 28 year old daughter, Amber.

I have a Bachelor of Science degree from UVM and have been in the hospitality industry for about 18 years. I am currently the Director of Sales at the York Harbour Inn on the beautiful southern coast of Maine! We are all a pretty athletic family. We enjoy playing golf together.



# Mardi (Roberts) Sargent

Hey, everyone! I am happily married to my high school sweetheart and am living in Shaftsbury. We have a 16 year old daughter, Alli who is beautiful inside and out. Over the past 18 years we've been restoring an 18th century house, a definate "money pit". We buy and sell antiques, enjoy our lake house in the summer and I still sing for the fun of it. For the past 12 years I have been employeed at VT Composites in sales. We will be away Aug. 20th. Sorry to miss seeing everyone!



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# Ellen (Roy) Antognioni

Married to Gary with 3 children. Emily is going to be a senior in High School, Rachel 10th grade and Kevin in 6th.

I am a Registered Nurse at SVMC.

President VT Society of Gastroenterology Nurses and National Board member of the Certifying Board of Gastroenterology Nurses and Associates.





# Alex Shiao

I am working for an engineering company doing construction project management. I am currently working on a high rise condo project in downtown Atlanta, I am the owner's representative on the project and I ensure that the contractor is following the contract specifications.

I enjoy woodworking and travel. I have been to Europe several times and up and down the east coast of the US several times.

I am married.



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# Brooke (Smilie) Nelson

Married to Rev. Mark Nelson since 1990.  
Received an Associates Degree in Science  
from UVM, licensed as a dental hygienist,  
presently practicing in Pennsylvania (general  
and pediatric dentistry).

4 sons! Kyle Thomas 13, Ian David 11,  
Graeme Henry 9, and Aidan Edward 7.

Active in church (Holy Trinity Charismatic  
Episcopal).

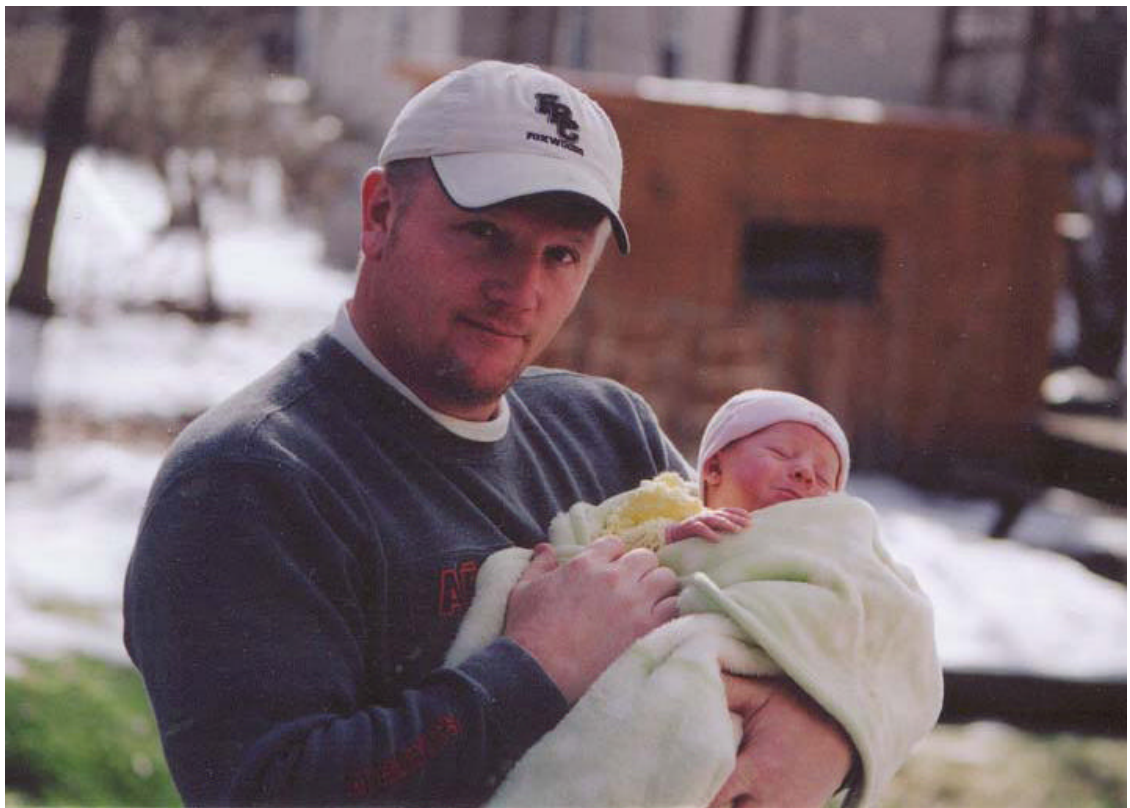
Wish I had time to read and cross stitch!



# Steve Sprague

Single, Self Employed, 4 Children,  
2 Grandchildren

Basically working as a Stone Mason, Buying  
property for Rental income. Spending time with  
my family and friends.



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# Doug Stephenson

## What I've been up to:

I have spent the past 20+ years working in healthcare. My training and certification is in Radiology and I am currently running two outpatient Radiology clinics. I am also involved in numerous civic and community efforts. I am currently the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen (almost as scary as Rick on the MAU School Board!).

Paula and I have been married for 17 years and have two children. Lauren (15 this summer) and Cameron (9). Both of them are competitive swimmers; Cam also does the little league baseball thing. They keep us pretty busy, and we wouldn't have it any other way. We spend around 45 weeks each year driving to various pools throughout New England. If you stand close enough, you may pick up the odor of chlorine, it comes with the job. Even though Cam takes after his father (may God bless us all) they are both great kids.

I don't know if I have any hobbies (you really should ask Paula, she would know). I try to get to the gym at least twice a week. Some raquetball, some basketball, can't run just try to get in a good sweat.

Life is hectic and at times chaotic. Sometimes we can go over a week without everyone at the dinner table together. At the end of the day no one has problems sleeping.

Last words of wisdom: Make sure your kids know that you love them.

**Am I attending the Reunion?** Are you kiddingme? Have you had some kind of brain injury? Have whatever drugs that you have ingested (don't deny it, we were all ther) finally caused you to loose the grip that you did have on reality? Of course I will be there.

**If yes how many?** I plan to attend them all, that's how many!

**Do I plan to play golf?** I am not sure that it is fair to the game to call what I do golf, but I wouldn't miss it.



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# Bruce Stowell

Shortly after our graduation, in Aug. of 1980, my family moved to Houston, Texas. Since I had no plans or responsibilities in Bennington, I decided to join them (I was working at P&C Foods at the time) for the adventure. Upon arrival in the fourth largest city in the U.S., I quickly decided that this would be a good place to get into trouble. I left my parent's house in search of fertile ground on which to "sow my wild oats". I sowed and sowed and sowed for two long years before coming to the determination that it was past time to get a life.

I moved back in with my parent's in 1982 and worked my way through the local community college's Associates Degree program. In the spring of 1985, I received a two year degree in Electronics Technology from Alvin Community College. I transferred my credits to the University of Houston and took a summer job in anticipation of starting back to school in the fall. I worked for an electrical contractor as an apprentice electrician during that summer but being slightly tired of the academic life, I decided to work for another semester before going back to school.

After nearly a year of working and making money as an apprentice electrician/electronics technician, a friend from Bennington invited me to move to Southern California and help him install Satellite TV systems. So I moved to LA late in 1986 and began installing satellite TV and video surveillance systems in hotels and motels in and around the LA area. I met my ex-wife there in 1987 and we were married in Upland, CA in April of 1988. She quickly became pregnant with our first child and we moved back to Houston in early 1989. My daughter Camille was born in April of 1989 in Houston, TX. I went back to work as an apprentice electrician/electronics technician and we moved back to Alvin later in the year. I tested for my journeyman's electrician's license in early 1992 and my son Caleb was born in April of that same year. I continued to advance with my employer and in Nov. of 1995, my daughter Chloe was born. By this time I was working as the field superintendent for my company and primarily worked from an office.

We bought our first home in 1996, in beautiful downtown Alvin, TX. It is a two-story saltbox, built in 1908. In July of 2001, I went to work for the Texas Medical Center, after 12 years with my previous employer. In Sept. of 2002, my marriage of nearly 15 years ended in divorce. It was an amicable separation though and I became a single father of three children. I have continued to advance in my career and currently hold the title of Manager of Facilities Operations. I also have a State of Texas Master Electrician's license. I am an assistant Scout Master with my son's Boy Scout Troop. I also teach karate twice a week at the same community college that I attended all of those years ago. My children are Camille, age 16, Caleb, age 13, and Chloe, age 9. They are all excellent students and we will be in VT for 9 days in late May/ early June. They are each involved with several extra-curricular activities and we have a lot of fun together.



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# Greg Stratton

Married 19 years

Education- High School

Occupation- Vice President at Merriam-Graves 22 years

Family- 2 sons, 1 daughter, 1 grandson, 2 grand daughters.

Hobbies- Hunting, fishing, golf, Nascar  
I have been 5 years rebuilding 1820 circa farm house in Hoosick Falls.



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# Bill Strohmaier

I went to VT Tech in Randolph, VT received an associates degree in Ag. business. I also attended BCC Berkshire Community College in Pittsfield, MA. during an off year for environmental studies. Upon graduation I worked for the Agway Crops Comp. in NY. I bought my home on South Stream Rd. in 1984 and started to fix it up. 1985 I left Agway and went to work with my dad part time. I finished the 80's helping to expand the farm and our apartment business. I rented a farm of my own in 1990 with my step-brother as a partner. My brother left after 1 year. I stayed for 2 more years. During the last I helped the owners (Berles) establish an organic produce farm and put the 400 plus acre farm back into production. I sold my tractor and hay making equipment to the Berles to get them going. That year I bought my 2nd rental house in town on Depot St. It was a real fixer upper. That year I was also offered to manage some of dad's apartments. Because they had a negative cash flow and were all in need of major help. The next 5-8 years I collected up to 40 apartments and other dwellings. (single family homes) In 1994 I met my almost wife Jennifer on a blind date. In 1998 our daughter was born, her name is Hannah. She was welcomed to the world like no other I have ever known. At this time I was at the peak of my rental managing business plus I worked at the farm from time to time, plus with Jen going to CCV we had no child care and my family wasn't much help. In 2000 Jen moved out taking Hannah with her. Luckily for me I had a wonderful apartment that had just emptied out and convinced Jen to take it preventing her from moving out of town or into a crappy-project apartment. This allowed me to see Hannah when ever I wanted. This ideal situation only lasted 2 1/2 years when Jen decided to move to Virginia. They were there for about 6 months when a problem occurred and I was able to have Hannah back full time in Jan 2003. I entered her in Molly Stark early childhood development program at that time. Still at that time my family wasn't much help with the exception of my brother and sister who offered support. The school had one opening and enrolled Hannah and has been the bedrock in which I have been able to not just be an informed parent but a better person in many ways In 2004 I bought another home on South Stream Rd. A real fixer upper. It's been tough making it happen but I'm within a couple of weeks of finishing. Any time Hannah has vacation I drive her down to Virginia to be with her mom. I've done it 14 times in 2 years, now I can do it without looking at a map. Jen now wants Hannah to live with her because she is to be married in Sept. of this year. I have at long odds come to grip that this will happen sometime. I have hoped that she will stay for at least one more year. Now my time is hers. I bought her a pony and we go to the rec center regularly. We both learned to swim. Swimming I know now is about loosing ones fear of deep water and knowing that I can keep myself calm enough to keep my head from going under. Such as in life. I am still learning. I hope you all are well and I will see you in August.



# Michelle (Surdam) Corcoran

Married

Working on my 10th year at MAUHS Nurses office. I recently bought a dealership from EcoQuest International . My home business “Redeeming Technologies” (518-686-3009) specializes in indoor air and water purification.

My 21 year old daughter is in her 4th year of college. My husband owns “Redeemed Repair” in North Bennington. We built a beautiful new Cedar Post and Beam home in East Hoosick, NY. God has truly blessed me and my family.



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# Corey Sweet

I was married for 13 years to Tom Hyland, now divorced and raising 4 kids, Toby 18 is headed for Castleton, Mike 17 into lacrosse and soccer, Samantha 15 into driving and Betsy 13.

I sing with a family group named Sweet Praises and raise shit-zu puppies. I also work with United Counseling special needs adults and have a special young man named Mike living with us at this time.

# Missy Sweet

Divorced-Single

2 son's 13 years and 18 years

MGR Sadexho Services at SVC

Home improvement Carpentry



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# Beth Tanzman

Married, live in old victorian house in beautiful Burlington. Graduated from the University of VT 1984; Suny@Albany-MSW 1988. Currently work for the state of VT administering community Mental Health Services. Love to travel, play tennis, and read.



# Keith Tatro

Attended Johnson State and then in the family concrete business. Now owner of Tatro & Sons concrete in Bennington. Re-married 3 years to Kathy (Lockwood) Tatro, 3 sons: Ryan-16, Patrick-13, Landon-10. We all enjoy outdoor activities, Ice fishing, 4-wheeling, camping, kids, sports, etc.



# **Wayne Tifft**

## **Kathy (Cannavan) Tifft**

We have been married 23 years, have 2 children, Mike who is 22 and is in college, and Dani who is 19 and also in college. We built a house in Woodford which is an ongoing project. I am a medical secretary and Wayne is a Project Engineer. We enjoy the outdoors, hiking, and archery.



# Dave Tilgner

Married to Lori, June 2000 (she was at our 20th). Alexander David (Alex) born 8/31/02  
Still working at GMCR (9+ years now!) and loving it. Our 2 1/2 year old son keeps us pretty busy.



# Mark D. Trombley

Married, wifes name Nannette, 3 kids, Carrie 25 years old (from first marriage) now a teacher at Catamount Elementary. Two step kids, Lanae 17 years old and Walter 14 years old.

We are both employed at SVMC in Bennington. Myself in the Engineering Dept. as Master Plumber. My wife is in nursing dept. as an LNA. Hobbies are still model car/truck building, also real ones, I have a 1964 Ford Galaxie I am restoring. We own our own home in Hoosick Falls.

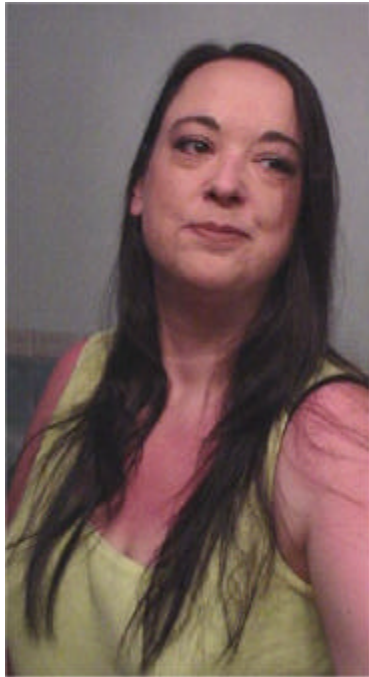


# Allison Turner

Single. Glass artist/bead maker, self employed.

One child-24 years old, 2 grandchildren!!

Don't ask.....





# Mark S. Waterhouse

Greetings to the class of 1980!

It is hard to believe that 25 years has passed since we all graduated. I had actually looked forward to this reunion, but with our move earlier this summer, it was just not possible.

Perhaps, if we have a reunion for our 30th, I will be able to attend.

It will give you the short story of the past 25 years. I remained for a year in Bennington following graduation. In 1981, I went to Oral Roberts University in Tulsa, OK. I received a B.A. degree in 1985. Later I attended Greenville College in Greenville IL and received an M.A. degree.

In Jan 1984, I married Julie Perry, and we have been together now for almost 22 years. We met in college and were married in 4 months. I tell my children that we expect a longer courtship form each of them before they marry. We have been blessed with 5 children: Lewis (20), Rachel (18), Joshua (15), Christopher (13), and Naomi (9).

While in college I joined the Army Reserve for six years. I was happy to receive my discharge shortly before the first Gulf war. We relocated to MA, so my last unit was at Fort Devens (which I think is now closed), and I know that my unit had been deployed. I managed a Pizza Hut restaurant in Acton, MA and served as a youth pastor in Fitchburg. We relocated once again back to the Midwest (Kansas) in 1989. I have been a pastor in the Free Methodist church for over 11 years. I served in Manhattan, KS and this summer I was appointed to a church in Topeka, the capitol of Kansas.

I think my fondest memories were choir and drama. We did 3 great productions my Senior year: the Mikado, A Mid-Summer's Night Dream, and West Side Story. Wow what a blast we had...even if I drank too much at the cast parties! I remember at the end of West Side Story, Mr Backus asked me to do the introductions and when I introduced the seniors to the audience, Jason Longo walked up to me and kissed me right on the lips! I was in shock for the remainder of the night! What a stunt!

I hope you all have a great time together! The memories are great.



# Curtis Wilson

Married 19 years to Brenda.

2 year degree at VTC in EE.

Work at IBM in Handler Engineering.

Favorite hobbies: Scuba Diving, hiking/backpacking,  
Snow shoeing, and Golfing.

Built a Post & Beam house-started in 1990-finished  
20?? (when will this project end).

We have 3 cats.



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# John Winchester

Married 18 years (Mary Ellen). Three boys  
Tyler 12, Nathan 9, Lucas 6.

Employed by SEALL, Inc. (204 Depot  
Program) for the past 20 years, The past 3  
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