



Joplin Eagles

# "JHS Class of '64"

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**Our Next Issue will be September 2022**

**"Hello JHS Class of '64 Classmates & Friends!"**

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Yes, we are a month late getting this out but for good reasons. Number one was the scholarship award that honors our three classmates that gave their all in Vietnam, Brent Horton, Jon Rippee and Clark Henson as our Class of '64 presented it on May 9th and Ms. Phyllis Payne Sapp was our go-to person and wrote the article on the event which is in this issue.

Then we needed to finalize the reunion and to make sure people were getting their \$25 per person sent in to our class treasurer, Stephanie White Everitt to pay the Holiday Inn for your attendance and participation in the Meet & Greet as well as the Saturday night banquet. The last day of May is your last chance to pay, so we may settle with the Holiday Inn. Your payment is what makes this happen.

We've had such great success with the last two reunions, the 50th and the 55th and now three years later we will do it again and it will be a blast and a half too. We love the re-connecting and would love to see some that haven't been to a reunion for sometime or not at all, so come on down, or up or over, whatever the case, we bet you'll enjoy your time with us reminiscing about our school years.

This issue is a blessing because it's been forever since we've had a bio to read and our classmate John Painter came through with his and we thank him and are forever grateful. I did one year at Lafayette grade school and I remember John didn't have far to walk to school as he lived right across the street on Connor.

Any concerns or questions you may click here and share your thoughts. [joplinmo64@joplinmo64.com](mailto:joplinmo64@joplinmo64.com).



I'm on two diets. I wasn't getting enough food on one.

A cold seat in a public restroom is unpleasant. A warm seat in a public restroom is worse.

Apparently RSVP'ing to a wedding invitation "Maybe next time," isn't the correct response.

Don't irritate old people. The older we get, the less "Life in prison" is a deterrent

Have you ever listened to someone for a minute and thought, "Their cornbread isn't done in the middle."

Aliens probably fly by earth and lock their doors.

"You will hit every cone on the highway before I let you merge in front of me because you saw that sign 2 miles ago like I did."

I asked my wife if I was the only one she had ever been with. She said yes, all the others were nines and tens. Give it a minute...

I really don't mind getting older, but my body is taking it badly.

It turns out that being an adult now is mostly just googling how to do stuff.

I miss the 90's when bread was still good for you and no one knew what kale was.

Do you ever get up in the morning, look in the mirror and think "That can't be accurate."

I want to be 14 again and ruin my life differently. I have new ideas.

As I watch this new generation try to rewrite our history, one thing I'm sure of.... it will be misspelled and have no punctuation.

I told my wife I wanted to be cremated. She made me an appointment for Tuesday.

Confuse your doctor by putting on rubber gloves at the same time he does.

My wife asked me to take her to one of those restaurants where they make food right in front of you. I took her to Subway. That's when the fight started.

Me: Sobbing my heart out, "I can't see you anymore..... I'm not going to let you hurt me again." Gym Trainer: "It was one sit-up. You did just one sit-up."

I went line dancing last night. OK, it was a roadside sobriety test... same thing.

## 2022 Class of '64 Henson, Horton, Rippee Memorial Service Scholarship Awarded

Our 2nd annual recipient is Rachel Holden who is just graduating from JHS with courses completed at Franklin Tech in early childhood. Rachel attended both Kelsey Norman and Soaring Heights when in elementary.

She was chosen by JHS counselors for the scholarship and was in Early Childhood Professions Class which deals with children with behavioral issues and kids of all ages. Rachel plans to attend Crowder College's Webb City campus and earn her Associates Degree in Child Development. She will then attend Ozark Christian College to complete a degree in Children's

Ministry. Rachel's counselor told me she is a sweet young lady and very deserving of our recognition. I phoned Rachel to interview her and learned that her paternal great-grandfather was an Air Force veteran. He is 95 and resides in Ohio.

Scholarship Awards were presented May 9 in an evening program at the high school. Dr. Richard LaNear made the presentation and gave the reason for our memorial service award, citing our classmates after whom it is named. He also included the criteria as being a JHS/Franklin Tech graduate who plans to continue education in an accredited program and has a veteran in the family or someone who is currently serving. It's meaningful not only to our class, but also to the new graduate and the veteran. This truly spans the generations. Rachel commented to extend to our class: "Thank you all for letting me apply for the scholarship. I greatly appreciate it."

Richard and I enjoyed meeting Rachel at the ceremony. I have to include that he was patriotically attired in a red, white & blue shirt with sports coat!

Thanks, Richard, for representing the class. Thanks to Stephanie for keeping track of our donations for the \$500 award and to John Keeling for getting the idea started. In visiting with John, we decided it would be nice to have a different veteran from our class make the presentations. We appreciated Mike Greenstreet doing so last year. John and I will call upon someone for next spring's 3rd presentation. A special **THANK YOU** to all who have and continue to donate to the memorial scholarship fund.

*Phyllis Payne Sapp*

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### **From Mike Greenstreet**

For those that would like a copy of the CD, please contact me and I would be happy to send them one. Just mail the donation that you can afford plus a shipping cost of \$3 and send to:

**Mike Greenstreet**  
**2008 E 45th St**  
**Joplin, Mo. 64804**  
**1-417-529 -3655**

Any questions or concerns feel free to email me at [mlgsr@att.net](mailto:mlgsr@att.net)

Let it be known that I will forward the proceeds to our treasurer. Steph Everitt.

*Mike Greenstreet Class of '64*

**Yes, you will hear a lot about this reunion in this issue.**

We are counting down to just three weeks away, if you are traveling to Joplin, and staying at the Holiday Inn, the room rate is \$109 a night and that includes a free hot breakfast. Make sure that is noted at the time you check in. Your code for that rate and the free breakfast is "Class of 64" and must be made by calling the Joplin Holiday Inn Direct 417-624-9000.

All events will take place at the Holiday Inn. First on the agenda will be the Meet & Greet on Friday, June 10th from 2:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. There will be an open bar, virtual jukebox and a surprise that we pulled out of the archives from the 50th reunion.

I know we were set up with Schifferdecker Golf Course to play there Saturday morning, if you are interested, please contact Jim Christiansen at [jac\\_5390@hotmail.com](mailto:jac_5390@hotmail.com) or give him a ring at 417-437-8351.

The Saturday night banquet will kick off at 6:00 p.m. and dinner will be at 7:00 p.m. We will make a few announcements prior to eating at 7:00, so we will gather in the banquet room around 6:45 p.m. After eating we will have a surprise or two before kicking off the big surprise for the evening.

So, to quote my many travel days in the southeast, y'all need to do the giddy-up, get your \$25 per person to Stephanie Everitt at 2821 Wisconsin, Joplin, MO 64804, that way you will be accounted for by her and by the Holiday Inn and in two weeks our final count will be given to them and if you ain't amongst the up to date it will be rather embarrassing for us to explain to the Holiday Inn that we had classmates that sent to us on June 9th their registration. Please do not do that to us and besides, you will hear from Steph if you do as we've been there in the past and she can handle it well. OUCH!

That's it from reunion central. We will assure you a grand time and know from past experiences that an enjoyable time is just around the corner.



### Thoughts about growing old

- #1 - Talk to yourself, because there are times you need expert advice.
- #2 - Consider "In Style" to be the clothes that still fit.
- #3 - You don't need anger management. You need people to stop pissing you off.
- #4 - Your people skills are just fine. It's your tolerance for idiots that needs work.
- #5 - The biggest lie you tell yourself is, "I don't need to write that down. I'll remember it."
- #6 - Duct tape can't fix stupid - but it sure does muffle the sound.

With my old man I got no respect. I asked him, "How can I get my kite in the air?" He told me to run off a cliff.

I went to a massage parlor. It was self-service.

It's tough to stay married. My wife kisses the dog on the lips, yet she won't drink from my glass!

Last night my wife met me at the front door. She was wearing a sexy negligee. The only trouble was, she was coming home.

A hooker once told me she had a headache.

I was making love to this girl and she started crying. I said, 'Are you going to hate yourself in the morning?' She said, 'No, I hate myself now.'

My wife is such a bad cook, if we leave dental floss in the kitchen the roaches hang themselves.

My wife's such a bad cook, the dog begs for Alka-Seltzer.

My wife is such a bad cook. In my house we pray after the meal.

I'm so ugly I stuck my head out the window and got arrested for mooning.

The other day I came home early and a guy was jogging, naked. I asked him, 'Why?' He said, 'Because you came home early.'

I know I'm not sexy. When I put my underwear on I can hear the Fruit-of-the-Loom guys giggling.

My wife likes to talk to me during sex; last night she called me from a hotel.

It's been a rough day. I got up this morning and put a shirt on and a button fell off. I picked up my briefcase, and the handle came off. And now I'm afraid to go to the bathroom.

I was such an ugly kid! When I played in the sandbox, the cat kept covering me up.

I could tell my parents hated me. My bath toys were a toaster and radio.

One year they wanted to make me a poster boy -- for birth control.

My uncle's dying wish was to have me sitting in his lap; he was in the electric chair.

## Great Trivia

**A SHOT OF WHISKEY'** - In the old west a .45 cartridge for a six-gun cost 12 cents, so did a glass of whiskey. If a cowhand was low on cash, he would often give the bartender a cartridge in exchange for a drink. This became known as a "shot" of whiskey.

**BUYING THE FARM** - This is synonymous with dying. During WW1 soldiers were given life insurance policies worth \$5,000. This was about the price of an average farm so if you died you "bought the farm" for your survivors.

**IRON CLAD CONTRACT** - This came about from the ironclad ships of the Civil War. It meant something so strong it could not be broken.

**RIFF RAFF** - The Mississippi River was the main way of traveling from north to south. Riverboats carried passengers and freight but they were expensive so most people used rafts. Everything had the right of way over rafts which were considered cheap. The steering oar on the rafts was called a "riff" and this transposed into riff-raft, meaning low class.

**COBWEB** - The Old English word for "spider" was "cob".

**SHIP STATE ROOMS** - Traveling by steamboat was considered the height of comfort. Passenger cabins on the boats were not numbered. Instead they were named after states. To this day cabins on ships are called staterooms.

**SLEEP TIGHT**- Early beds were made with a wooden frame. Ropes were tied across the frame in a crisscross pattern. A straw mattress was then put on top of the ropes. Over time the ropes stretched, causing the bed to sag. The owner would then tighten the ropes to get a better night's sleep.

**SHOWBOAT** - These were floating theaters built on a barge that was pushed by a steamboat. These played small towns along the Mississippi River. Unlike the boat shown in the movie "Showboat", these did not have an engine. They were gaudy and attention grabbing which is why we say someone who is being the life of the party is "showboating".

**OVER A BARREL** - In the days before CPR, a drowning victim would be placed face down over a barrel and the barrel would be rolled back and forth in an effort to empty the lungs of water. It was rarely effective. If you are over a barrel, you are in deep trouble.

**BARGE IN** - Heavy freight was moved along the Mississippi in large barges pushed by steamboats. These were hard to control and would sometimes swing into piers or other boats. People would say they "barged in".

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After relocating from Anderson in 1955, my schooling in Joplin began at Lafayette Grade School, where I lived across the street at 1822 Connor. I then spent one year at South Junior High before we moved to 2814 East 16<sup>th</sup> Street where I attended East Junior High. Then on to Joplin Senior High School. I wasn't the best student & I spent too much time at Nina's Green Parrott in Galena.

From 1967 to 1970 I helped open up 75 mobile home franchises for Brown Enterprises and ended up with two of my own one in Grove, OK and Miami, OK.

Valerie Putnam, class of '63, and I were married in 1967. Her parents owned Burl's Dairy Crème on South Main and they had the best footlong chili dogs and fresh cut curly fries. After our marriage ended, Valerie and I remained friends and she and her husband David, would meet me in Daytona Beach Florida for the Daytona 500 in 1992, 93, 94 & 95 and stay with me,. They lived in South Florida.

After a short time in Salinas, CA, in 1971 I moved to Maui, Hawaii to sell cars for Valley Isle Ford and run their used car operation. In 1973, my neighbor and I bought the ALII AMC Jeep Dealership in Maui. We sold it after 2 years to the owners of Valley Isle Ford. After moving to Oahu for a brief time, I then decided to move back to Missouri to be closer to family.

In 1975 when I got back to Joplin, thinking about my next endeavor, I found that some of my old friends were in the asphalt business. Tom Brookshire asked me to come work with him in the business and I said "Are you crazy? That's hard, dirty work!" At that point in my life I had never been involved in manual labor, but I decided to try it for a while. The realization soon hit me that I enjoyed the business, but wanted to continue in a warmer, booming economic area, so off to Houston, TX it was!

In Houston, I started out in asphalt, but soon got into concrete and excavation, initially with a couple of guys and myself and grew it to 123 employees with 75 pieces

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of excavation equipment. During this time I set up a Asphalt Plant in Lowell Arkansas in 1987 & sold it in 89. I sold the parent company in Houston in 1996 and moved to Florida for a couple of years.

At that point, Kevin Brookshire, Tom's son, asked me to come to Dallas to help him grow his asphalt & concrete business., which I did. That is where I met the love of my life, Lyla, and decided to start a contracting company, specializing in building new car dealerships. We were married on February 10, 2001.

While living in Irving, TX, a suburb of Dallas, I became friends with Roger Jameson, the twin brother of Dr. Phil's wife, Robin. This was prior to his climb to fame as a result of the Oprah beef trial. When Oprah contacted Dr. Phil to assist in jury selection for her beef trial, his company, Courtroom Sciences, conducted a "mock" trial and my wife, Lyla was asked to sit on that jury for 3 days, meeting Oprah and Gail King. We attended Dr. Phil and Robin's enormous Christmas party at their home for two years before their move to California..

We moved to Grand Lake, OK and slowed down a bit. We started playing poker at the Grand Lake Casino and traveled quite a bit in our Motorhome. One winter we were in Florida for warmer weather, and it snowed, how lucky is that!

We spent a lot of time in Las Vegas playing poker, now, in Idaho, we're only 40 miles from Jackpot, Nevada, where we play.

Lyla's father lived in Idaho, where we would visit him and we both agreed that's where we'd like to live one day. We made the move in 2012 to take care of him. After watching T.V. with my father in law in the afternoons, General Hospital and Gun-smoke, I knew I had to get back to work.

We started a decorative concrete business in 2013 and are still going strong. I have crews working in 8 states installing decorative concrete. Check out our website to see what we do: [www.mountainwestconcrete.com](http://www.mountainwestconcrete.com).

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Note: There are many more stories I could tell, but two stick out in my mind. Around 1969 I was in Atlanta, GA at a gas station at 8 am when Larry Don Williams and his band pulled in!

In 1973 I ran into Kenny Wendell, class of 63, in Hawaii and we hung out for a couple days! It's a small world sometimes!

**Great Bio John I wish we'd get more classmates involved. You moved to J-town one year before we left the farm and moved to 1822 Moffet. But I remember you walking out the school door and maybe 75' you were in your home. I'm going to add something that will be unique to the past Bios we've had and I'd like to show some of your work and wished you lived back in God's Country.**



**I don't always go the extra mile, but when I do it's because I missed my exit.**



**MOST PEOPLE DON'T THINK I'M AS OLD AS I AM UNTIL THEY HEAR ME STAND UP**

Like i was saying, the circus is just one of my careers. The real money comes from frosted flakes





Patricia "Pat" Aggus, Roby King Wade & Gary Wade working to class of '65 reunion.

## Local homeless, displaced Ukrainians focus of church fundraisers

BY KIMBERLY BARKER  
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First Community Church in Joplin has launched two fundraisers that will benefit the local homeless population at Soul's Harbor and people overseas who are being impacted by the war in Ukraine.

On Sunday, First Community is planning a pancake breakfast for Ukraine from 9 to 10 a.m. in Fellowship Hall, 2007 E. 15th St. Donations will be accepted. The event is open to the public.

Proceeds from the breakfast will be matched by Church World Service, a faith-based organization transforming communities around the globe through just and sustainable responses to hunger, poverty, displacement and disaster.

"We'll be accepting voluntary donations, and then we have a charitable trust that's going to match all of the donations, dollar for dollar," said Pastor Russell Willoughby. "I'm not sure what to expect, but I know

our people are very generous." Church World Service has welcomed Ukrainian refugees to the United States for over a decade as part of its efforts to address the global refugee crisis, in which more than 84.6 million people are considered displaced, according to its website.

"We all have heard the tragedies that are taking place and all of the suffering," said Willoughby. "People are being displaced. I had church members asking me if I had any ideas or ways to donate to Ukraine because there are a lot of groups that solicit donations that may or may not be the best. I knew that we were involved with Church World Service. I thought why don't we do a fundraiser here and that way, it's easier for everyone to come together and do it as a sign of solidarity from our church."

The second fundraiser is called "Undies Sunday" in which church members have been donating packs of new underwear, socks, undershirts and other garments since

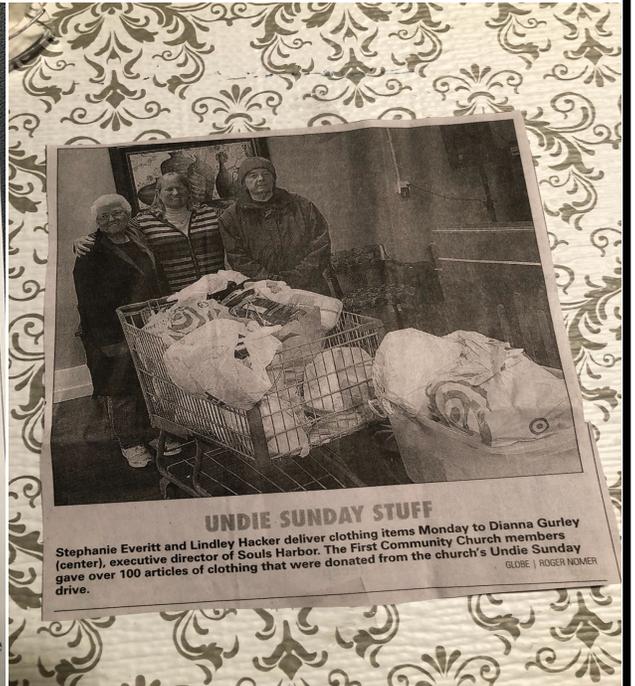
March 27 for the local homeless population.

Stephanie Everitt, a church member, said she got the idea from the congregation of First United Methodist Church in Carthage, which donated 284 pairs of socks, 273 pairs of underwear and 27 T-shirts to Souls Harbor in January.

"I thought, 'You know, that might be a really good program for our church to do,' so I put it before the church board, and they were all very enthusiastic about it," she said. "I set up two receptacles, and this will be our last Sunday that we will be collecting for it."

Everitt said she's received a tremendous amount of support for the project and hopes to do another one again in the future. As of Monday, she had over 90 pairs of underwear that she'll deliver to Souls Harbor soon.

"I expect to receive more this coming Sunday," she said. "Our church is always looking for things to do for the community."



Stephanie Everitt delivers food to homeless Ukrainians, a First Community Church function.

**WD-40 ~ Who knew!**

I had a neighbor who bought a new pickup.

I got up very early one Sunday morning and saw that someone had spray painted red all around the sides of this beige truck (for some unknown reason). I went over, woke him up, and told him the bad news.

He was very upset and was trying to figure out what to do ... Probably nothing until Monday morning, since nothing was open.

Another neighbor came out and told him to get his WD-40 and clean it off.

It removed the unwanted paint beautifully and did not harm his paint job that was on the truck. I was impressed!

WD-40 who knew? "Water Displacement #40".

The product began from a search for a rust preventative solvent and degreaser to protect missile parts.

WD-40 was created in 1953, by three technicians at the San Diego Rocket Chemical Company.

Its name comes from the project that was to find a 'Water Displacement' Compound.

They were finally successful for a formulation, with their fortieth attempt, thus WD-40.

The 'Convair Company' bought it in bulk to protect their atlas missile parts. Ken East (one of the original founders) says there is nothing in WD-40 that would hurt you.

When you read the 'shower door' part, try it. It's the first thing that has ever clean that spotty shower door. If yours is plastic, it works just as well as on glass.

**It's a miracle!**

Then try it on your stove-top. It's now shinier than it's ever been. You'll be amazed.

**WD-40 Uses:**

1. Protects silver from tarnishing.
2. Removes road tar and grime from cars.
3. Cleans and lubricates guitar strings.
4. Gives floor that 'just-waxed' sheen without making them slippery.

### A Blue Rose (A Great Read)

Having four visiting family my wife was busy, so I offered to go to the store for her to get some needed items, which included light bulbs, paper towels, trash bags, detergent and Clorox. So off I went.

I scurried around the store, gathered up my goodies and headed for the checkout counter, only to be blocked in the narrow aisle by a young man who appeared to be about sixteen-years-old.

I wasn't in a hurry, so I patiently waited for the boy to realize that I was there. This was when he waved his hands excitedly in the air and declared in a loud voice, "Mommy, I'm over here."

It was obvious now, he was mentally challenged and also startled as he turned and saw me standing so close to him, waiting to squeeze by. His eyes widened and surprise exploded on his face as I said, "Hey Buddy, what's your name?"

"My name is Denny and I'm shopping with my mother," he responded proudly.

"Wow," I said, "that's a cool name; I wish my name was Denny, but my name is Steve."

"Steve, like Stevarino?" he asked.

"Yes," I answered. "How old are you Denny?"

"How old am I now, Mommy?" he asked his mother as she slowly came over from the next aisle.

"You're fifteen-years-old Denny; now be a good boy and let the man pass by."

I acknowledged her and continued to talk to Denny for several more minutes about summer, bicycles and school. I watched his brown eyes dance with excitement, because he was the center of someone's

attention.

He then abruptly turned and headed toward the toy section.

Denny's mom had a puzzled look on her face and thanked me for taking the time to talk with her son. She told me that most people wouldn't even look at him, much less talk to him. I told her that it was my pleasure and then I said something I have no idea where it came from, other than by the prompting of the Holy Spirit. I told her that there are plenty of red, yellow, and pink roses in God's Garden; however, "Blue Roses" are very rare and should be appreciated for their beauty and distinctiveness. You see, Denny is a Blue Rose and if someone doesn't stop and smell that rose with their heart and touch that rose with their kindness, then they've missed a blessing from God.

She was silent for a second, then with a tear in her eye she asked, "Who are you?"

Without thinking I said, "Oh, I'm probably just a dandelion, but I sure love living in God's garden."

She reached out, squeezed my hand and said, "God bless you!" and then I had tears in my eyes.

May I suggest, the next time you see a BLUE ROSE, don't turn your head and walk off.

Take the time to smile and say Hello. Why? Because, by the grace of GOD, this mother or father could be you.

This could be your child, grandchild, niece or nephew.

What a difference a moment can mean to that person or their family.

From an old dandelion... Live simply; Love generously; Care deeply; Speak kindly; and, Leave the rest to God.

**New Senior's Exam, you only need 4 correct out of 10 questions to pass.  
Carefull - there are some trick questions.**

- 1) How long did the Hundred Years' War last?
- 2) Which country makes Panama hats?
- 3) From which animal do we get cat gut?
- 4) In which month do Russians celebrate the October Revolution?
- 5) What is a camel's hair brush made of?
- 6) The Canary Islands in the Pacific are named after what animal?
- 7) What was King George VI's first name?
- 8) What color is a purple finch?
- 9) Where are Chinese gooseberries from?
- 10) What is the color of the black box in a commercial airplane?

**Remember, you need only 4 correct answers to pass.**

**Check your answers below...**

### **ANSWERS TO THE QUIZ**

- 1) How long did the Hundred Years War last? 116 years
- 2) Which country makes Panama hats? Ecuador
- 3) From which animal do we get cat gut? Sheep and Horses
- 4) In which month do Russians celebrate the October Revolution? November
- 5) What is a camel's hair brush made of? Squirrel fur
- 6) The Canary Islands in the Pacific are named after what animal? Dogs
- 7) What was King George VI's first name? Albert
- 8 ) What color is a purple finch? Crimson
- 9) Where are Chinese gooseberries from? New Zealand
- 10) What is the color of the black box in a commercial airplane?  
Orange (of course)

**What do you mean, you failed?**

**Remembrances and Sympathy to our Classmates and Family:**

Sympathy goes out to the family of classmate Steve Langford for his passing.

<http://insidejoplinobituaries.blogspot.com/2022/02/stephen-langford.html>

Condolences to the family of classmate James "Jim" Anderson for his passing.

<https://www.smithfamilyfuneralhome.com/memorials/james-anderson/4832656/obituary.php>

Our compassion goes out to classmate Rick Sadler for the loss of his dear wife Linda.

<https://obituaries.joplinglobe.com/obituary/linda-sadler-1083544586>

It's with empathy that we reach out to classmate Monty Gavin for the loss of his wife Cheryl.

[https://www.parsonssun.com/obituaries/article\\_a8b65166-49a2-11ec-b256-0b2c5c8052d9.html](https://www.parsonssun.com/obituaries/article_a8b65166-49a2-11ec-b256-0b2c5c8052d9.html)

Sympathy to the family of classmate Nancy Leard for her passing.

<https://obituaries.joplinglobe.com/obituary/nancy-hailey-1085129793>

What a nice contribution from our classmate Janice Thornberry Mathews. We published an article about our classmate Calvin Devine's passing sometime back and what his daughter was doing in his honor. Here are the results of that and what an honor, rest in peace Calvin we will be thinking of you during our reunion as you were always there and you will be with us again, by proxy.

[https://www.parsonssun.com/obituaries/article\\_a8b65166-49a2-11ec-b256-0b2c5c8052d9.html](https://www.parsonssun.com/obituaries/article_a8b65166-49a2-11ec-b256-0b2c5c8052d9.html)

The Carterville Cemetery Association completed the last two memorials Mr. Divine was unable to finish, the Korean and Vietnam veterans memorials. The hope is to have them installed by Veteran's Day.



**Calvin Divine**

We still have 17 classmates unaccounted for. If you have any idea where these classmates could be, feel free to share with us so we can update our class directory. The blue font is where they were living when we lost contact with them.

**"Please check these names and help find our missing classmates"**

**Gary M Colvin**

**Rayma Jean Coy (Tulsa, OK area)**

**James "Jim" Hilton**

**Clair Howard**

**La Donna Miller**

**Carol Munson (Wrench) (Bell, MO)**

**Emma Nunn**

**Judy Osborne (Gardner) (Joplin)**

**Richard Lee Pearson**

**Patty Riley (Brewer) (Joplin)**

**Naomi June Shelton (Possibly Deceased but cannot verify)**

**Drucilla Short**

**Robert Joe "Bob" Smith**

**Jack Sneed**

**William "Bill" Ray Stow**

## "If You Change Your Contact Information"

Please help us out. Don't forget to include us on any changes in your contact information. If you should move or change telephone, snail mail address or email address please let us know. It's very easy and you may do so by clicking on the following link [joplinmo64@joplinmo64.com](mailto:joplinmo64@joplinmo64.com), and enter your information, then click "Send".

### Points to Ponder



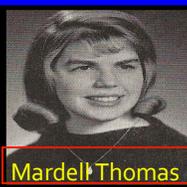
**INSTEAD OF FINDING A NEW FORM OF SOCIAL MEDIA, WE SHOULD ALL GO BACK TO BONFIRES, TAILGATE PARTIES, NIGHT FISHING, PORCH SITTING AND CRUISING WITH THE RADIO PLAYING.**



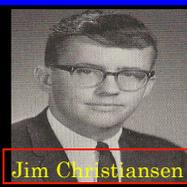
The longest drum solo was 10 hours and 26 minutes and was performed by the child sitting behind me on Delta flight 963 from LA to Tokyo.



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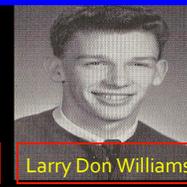
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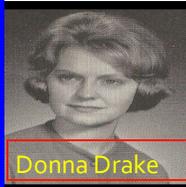
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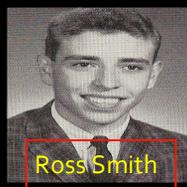
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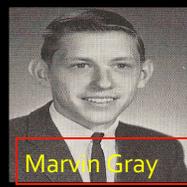
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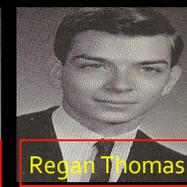
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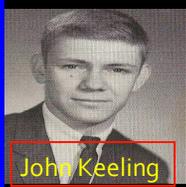
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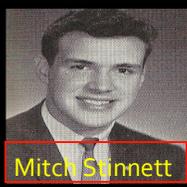
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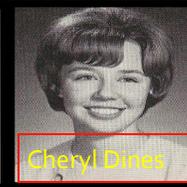
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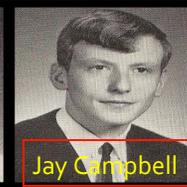
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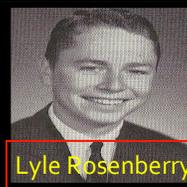
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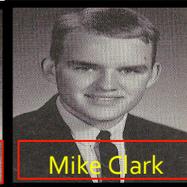
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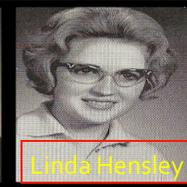
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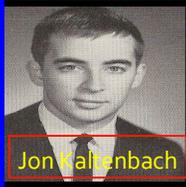
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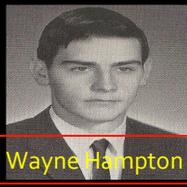
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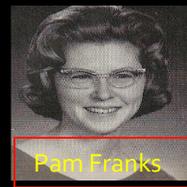
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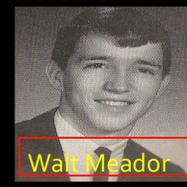
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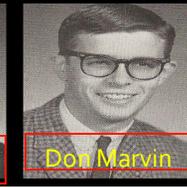
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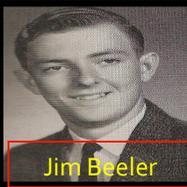
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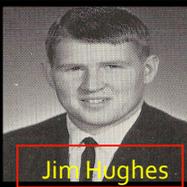
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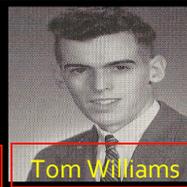
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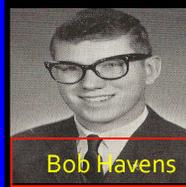
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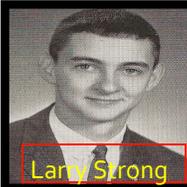
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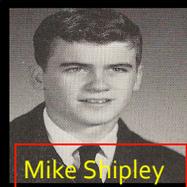
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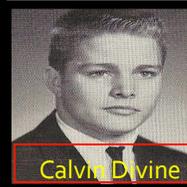
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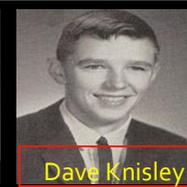
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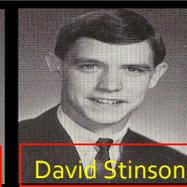
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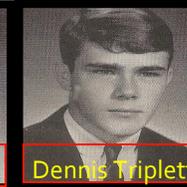
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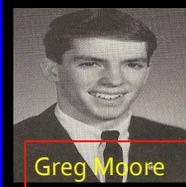
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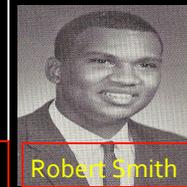
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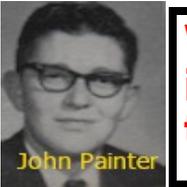
Greg Moore



Robert Smith



Billie Lenger



John Painter

**We are still patiently waiting for your bio to be added to the wall of fame.**

**There is plenty of room to add folks to the bio section, how about joining in?**

"The time has come the Walrus said, "To talk of many things: Of shoes—and ships—and sealing-wax— Of cabbages—and kings— And why the sea is boiling hot— And whether pigs have wings." From Alice in Wonderland.

Well, in this case the many things we will talk about will be the class of '64 and their class reunion, aka 58th on the chart, but for the sake of not counting we just say our class reunion.

At his moment we have 93 that have signed up to attend and that includes classmates, spouses or significant others and invited guests. With that 41 have paid. I wasn't in the top of my class in math, but for the record I believe that is way shy of what the Holiday Inn will charge us since we turned in the amount that said they will attend. Being 3 weeks out I would think one would know that now is the time to get on board and to those that haven't paid please feel free to send your check made out to JHS Class of 64 to Stephanie White Everitt our treasurer as 2821 Wisconsin, Joplin, MO 64804 for \$25 per person and feel free to date any amount you care to add and if it's in honor, we will add the in Honor Of to the class directory.

We sure appreciate getting a handle on paying and yes, we need donations to keep this alive and going strong. It's my understanding that the class of '65 that just had their 55th that became the 57th due to Covid postponing it for two years and they had \$10,000 in their kitty. We are waaaay shy of that and honestly not looking to even come close to it as we are not in the profit making business. Our goal is to keep the website and email alive and when we have a reunion we strive to make it very enjoyable for all and most of all make it affordable for all to attend.

If there is any classmate that would like to attend but for whatever financial reason you cannot make it, do not feel like you have to sit home while we celebrate our class. You just let us know via our class email and I will personally see that you will be able to attend and the only people that would know are the committee members, as the fee is deducted from our checking account. It will be handled anonymously and we promise you that. The account for all class functions is supported by classmates that wish to help and are able to make all this happen and my hats off to them as I have the deepest admiration for them and we accept it anonymously per their wishes and make note, that is what our class is about, classmates that care. Keep in mind, it's not all about the money, it's those that are willing to help in anyway and they come forward in a heartbeat and are here to help, we acknowledge those caring classmates.

Prayers to all as you travel safely to and from and we look forward to re-connecting. We would like to keep all classmates that are traveling to celebrate with up this June 10th in our prayers and may they travel safely home on the 12th when we wrap up.



**Dave Knisley**