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Since we've already been to Michigan as well as visiting our daughter in Virginia (we were gone for six weeks), we won't be able to make the reunion. It's too bad the timing wasn't a little different, it would have been fun. Based on the info Mel sent, I was amazed at how many of our class have passed away.

Per the instructions in the info, here's my bio:

After graduating from Southfield High, I completed my bachelor's degree in Business Education at Wayne State University. I took a teaching position in Livonia, where I taught for 3 years. I married in 1964 to my husband, Frank. Once our first child was born (Gregory), I quit teaching to be a stay-at-home Mom. We had two more children, Karen and Mark. We moved to Florida in 1970, locating on the East coast not far from the Kennedy Space Center. Eventually I went back to work in 1979 at the Space Center for McDonnell Douglas. They merged with the Boeing Company in 1999, and I retired from Boeing in December 2005. During my tenure, I was fortunate to be selected as a launch honoree in 1983. We were able to watch a launch in the VIP viewing area, which gets you closer than other viewing areas. In 1992, I was selected as a Silver Snoopy recipient. I was presented with the award by then astronaut Andy Allen. Some of the memorabilia includes a "Snoopy Astronaut" pin that was flown on a Shuttle mission as well as a miniature American Flag, which was also flown on a Shuttle mission. It was exciting working at the space center; being able to watch launches, see astronauts, and sometimes movie actors/actresses. Filming for Space Cowboys and Armageddon happened while I was still working.

Currently, Frank and I are just enjoying our five grandchildren: Sarah, 10 yrs; Rachel, 9 yrs; Christopher, 4 yrs; twins, Jonathan and Elizabeth, 2 yrs; as well as three great grandchildren: Brett, 7 yrs; Darius, 6 yrs; and Isaac, 4 yrs.

As far as a dream that came true, that would be my trip to Italy in 2000. And my dream yet to come would be to go back to Italy for at least a month!

I hope that covers what you're looking for. I really am sorry we won't get a chance to participate, but it has prompted me to dig out my 1957 yearbook just to refresh my memory. I'll be looking forward to getting a book of bios from the reunion. It will be interesting to see where everyone is.

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