

Jim Mills



- > I don't know if you want information about some of your old, old teachers but I'll give you a long sketch of my life for the past 50 years.
- > With the launching of Sputmik the government sent a lot of us physics teachers back to school. It was a good thing!
- > In 1964 I went back to school for a few classes in Driver Education because DE paid a lot more than the US Post Office for a teacher's second job. You know, of course, that all of us had second jobs. Then after Suzie Robinson and I started a ski club I conned the administration and school board into letting me coach the ski team and get paid for skiing. We started at Mt. Brighton which Bill Myers called "The Apex of the Universe." May he rest in peace. Anyway, I coached both boys and girls tennis for a few years until I realized that I wasn't having fun.
- > In 1985, I bolted and went to Southfield Lathrup for four more years (I sound like a political candidate.) Then one day some kid told me a joke and I thought, "That is so juvenile." But then so was HE. Realizing that I was getting to old for this job I retired. (33 years.)
- > I moved to Sarasota, FL in 1991 to get away from those grey skies of Michigan. I worked at Habitat for Humanity for a year and taught English to Hispanics for about three years. I also helped organize an active social group at church for people in their 50s, 60s or "thereabouts." We are almost all in the thereabouts category now. I currently spend my time running a low-key golf group called "Good Guys Golfin'." Most of us are not good golfers but almost all of us are good guys.

> I have three children in their 50s who have 5 children. Lois, my wife, died in 1998 of Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis (Google it) and I remarried in 2001. Betty's daughter has twins who are 3 and a half years old.

Mr. Mills retired after 33 years and is currently living in Florida dodging hurricanes. He spends his summers in the Traverse City Area. I'll see you on the 6th. Jim Mills, Gen. retired

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