

**JoAnn (Westermeier)
Warren**



After graduating from high school I spent a year attending the University of Michigan. The following year I got a job working as a physician's assistant in Southfield. Mike Warren (a classmate) and I were married in June of 1961 and lived in Southfield until he started U of M Law School. There I worked for the Ann Arbor Board of Realtors until our son Doug was born in 1964.

When Mike graduated from Law School he took a job in Lansing, We have lived in the area ever since. We had three more children after moving to Lansing, all girls. My last child was born in 1971. We are very proud to say that all of our children attended college and all have graduate degrees.

While the children were in elementary school I volunteered in their classrooms. Then when the youngest was old enough to be home alone I started volunteering in the Lansing office of the American Cancer Society where I worked for twenty years.

Our son, Doug, a communications specialist (Journalist) for a non-profit organization and his wife and two sons, Conor, 6 and Braden 4 live near us in Okemos. Our oldest girl, Denise, is an obstetrician, single, practicing in Muskegon, MI. Stephanie, a school social worker, and her husband and two children, Josh, 13 and Kelsey, 11, live in Rockford, MI near Grand Rapids. Lynne, the youngest, also has a social work degree, is now a full time mother and partner in her husband's computer consulting business. They have three children, Shane 8, Kayla 6, and Cassie 3. They also live in Okemos, right around the corner from us. With five grandchildren living in such close proximity and seeing the older two frequently, I spend a good majority of my time with my grandchildren. It certainly is a lot more fun than raising their parents was.

Happy 50th reunion. I hope to see you all in ten years at the next reunion.

Mike Warren



After graduating from Southfield, I attended Eastern Michigan University, graduating in 1961 with a teaching certificate. Two weeks later, JoAnn Westermeier (a classmate) and I were married. See her bio to get the information on our four children and seven grandchildren (of which we are very proud).

After teaching History at Frazier High School for one year, I attended the University of Michigan Law School, graduating in December of 1965 with my law degree. I joined a law firm in Lansing, MI and was with them for approximately 15 years, 10 of which were as manager of the firm. I then started my own firm. I am now in the process of closing out the business and retiring. I have specialized in the business area of law representing many types of businesses, both large and small, both privately and publicly held, and both US and foreign companies. I probably am best known in the legal community for handling the buying and selling of businesses.

I have also volunteered in my community - having served on many community boards, including serving as President of the Lansing Regional Chamber of Commerce, a

Founding Trustee and later President of the Lansing Region Community Foundation, and as President of the Chief Okemos Council of the Boy Scouts of America. Although I'll probably continue doing some legal work on a special projects basis, I am looking forward to spending my retirement working on family and friend's genealogies, reading, playing golf and, doing whatever the heck I feel like doing.