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Where did you meet your spouse? Lubbock - he called on our advertising office to sell us some commercial photography

How long have you been married? 39 years

How many pets do you have? 1 Tortoise-shell Calico Cat, (Tort)Tillie

Children (names & ages) Stepsons Jon (60), Don (58), and Dan (55)

Grandchildren (names & ages) Andrew (19)

Favorite spare-time activities: piddling on the computer, reading, cooking, writing (letters to the editor are just about the only things I ever got really published, other than a couple of magazine articles)

College & schools attended: 2 years Texas Woman's University, BA Texas Tech

Are you retired? semi

Occupation: Worked many years in advertising, sales, as administrative assistant, human resource director, now part-time bookkeeper/computer operator in husband's one-man photo studio, operate home typing/word processing service for students and business clients

Minor or major occurrences and significant events since high school: Making it through college and a little grad school. Having extremely enjoyable long-term jobs in advertising, innovative agricultural equipment manufacturing, even managing a Weight Watchers office—could *sound* skinny on the phone and get folks to join! Deaths of our mothers (mine at 71, his at almost 101). Husband going through major overhauls every 100,000 miles (open heart, carotid, aneurysm, staph, etc.), but keeping him running his 60-year-old business full-time at age 82. And, most recently, the privilege of getting to work with a great bunch of people for our AHS Class of 57 50th Reunion Book!

What accomplishments are you most proud of (work-related or personal life)? Received first graduate teaching fellowship awarded by our department at Tech (but never got the Master's). Married a fine man, 15 years my senior, and enjoyed step-parenting 3 teenage boys who've grown to be very interesting (albeit weird) adults. Had fun doing typing & word processing for students and businesses for over 25 years now.

Any message for fellow classmates?

Just 2:

1. If I messed up the typing of your bio info for the directory, blame bifocals and arthritis. I didn't mean to, and hope you'll eventually forgive me!

2. I'll just plagiarize *The ABC's of Aging Gracefully*:

Avoid collagen, Bloom late, Celebrate, Dance at weddings, Eat more chocolate, Fall in love again, Go grey, Hold hands, Inspire, Jettison grudges, Kiss like you mean it, Laugh, Mend fences, Nurture friendships, Open doors, Perspire with aplomb, Quit whining, Rekindle romance, Spoil babies, Teach someone to read, Upset convention, Volunteer, Wear red, eXpect joy, Yield gracefully, Zing.

