

CORAL GABLES H.S. CLASS OF '58
FIRST EVER E-NEWSLETTER
JUNE 2016

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

*WE DO NOT HAVE AN E-MAIL FOR EVERY CLASSMATE!
CAN YOU HELP US REACH EVERYONE POSSIBLE?*

1) *Please check the attached data base for your friends and see if we have an e-mail for them. If everyone would do this, WE WOULD BE ABLE TO REACH ALMOST EVERYONE.*

2) *FORWARD THIS E-NEWSLETTER TO YOUR CLASS FRIENDS*

3) REACH OUT AND CALL YOUR FRIENDS

Why not reach out to a friend you haven't communicated with for many years? It will make their day and yours too! And when you speak with them, ask if they have an e-mail address we can use to stay in touch. It can be an e-mail of a child or grandchild too!

Please note that communication will now be limited to e-mails and our website (www.gables58.com)

REUNION 2016 NEWS

REUNION 2016: MAY 12-15 ORLANDO, FLORIDA
CLASS OF '56 60TH REUNION WITH CLASSES OF '54-'58

As you may know, our class was invited to join with the class of '56 in their 60th class reunion in Orlando, Florida. Our class had the largest turnout of all the classes and we certainly enjoyed seeing one another as well as friends in the other classes. Many new friends were made and old connections realized. It was a very relaxed week-end with a lot of time spent visiting in the hospitality suite with the extra luxury of having our very own bartender provided by class of '56 member, Pat Ussery. Most everyone took time to enjoy the room filled with memorabilia which spurred many conversations and a lot of enjoyment. Thursday night was a casual buffet dinner on the 27th floor of the hotel overlooking the Disney area. On Friday a few brave souls played golf but most stayed cool inside. Friday night was an hors' de oeuvres buffet and at our age, most were happy with just having that for a meal. Of course there were plenty of snacks in the hospitality suite. On Saturday evening there was a wonderful buffet dinner and more visiting. There was some dancing and of course the hospitality suite! On Sunday there was a simple breakfast and a beautiful memorial service which included a kilted piper playing for the service.

Here are a few comments received after the reunion that might give you an idea of how people enjoyed the reunion:

[harry burns <hb3math@yahoo.com>](mailto:hb3math@yahoo.com)

May 16 at 5:35 PM

Janet,

I don't know who else to thank, but you.

Thank you.

Kathleen and I had a wonderful time. Your effort is appreciated!!

Regards,

Harry

[Maggy Hurchalla <mhurchalla@hotmail.com>](mailto:mhurchalla@hotmail.com)

May 18 at 8:52 AM

Janet,

Thank you. I know a lot of work went into making it a happy reunion for all of us.

Maggy (Reno)

sandmeyer@comcast.net

May 18 at 4:17 PM

Janet, I still haven't recovered but I canceled everything till next week. But it was a glorious reunion - nothing to do but sit and talk, it felt like a family reunion. (Pat Shanklin)

[Harriet Faust <Harriet65@cox.net>](mailto:Harriet65@cox.net)

May 25 at 1:18 PM

Dear Janet,

I had a wonderful time and you all really did a bang up job with it. I hope someone is giving you a lot of the credit. In the future, if there is one, anything I can do from here, let me know as I am more than willing to help keep up with people or whatever. You may keep the things I brought as they are all mostly copies but thanks for asking me.

Best,

Harriet (Schmidt)

[Sherrill Marks <sherrillrae4431@msn.com>](mailto:sherrillrae4431@msn.com)

May 25 at 2:04 AM

Hi Janet,

..... at the Reunion I started talking to Gene Vaughn in the hospitality room, and somehow we got to discussing yearbooks. I told him that I had brought my sister, Sandy's CGHS class of 1956 yearbook with me to see if anyone would like to have it since Sandy had died last year. Gene informed me that someone had "taken" his and that if I did not mind, he would love to have Sandy's yearbook. I made arrangements to get it to him before we left the Reunion. Then, I even received a "thank you" note from him yesterday saying how pleased he was that I had given him my sister's yearbook and that he really appreciated it. Nice people!!!!

The Reunion was so much fun, and it seemed that the time just flew by too quickly. It was wonderful seeing you and so many of our "old" friends. Hopefully, we'll be able to get together again one of these days in the not too distant future.

With love, Sherrill (Rigot)

Class of '58 members who attended:

Sue Aiken
Pat Apeland * prepared list of deceased for the memorial service, worked at registration table
Richard Bagby (David Parslow)
Erin Briggs (Jim Kracht)
Bonnie Brown (John Seifert '57)
Harry Burns (Kathleen)
Robert Buzzell (Ely)
Tony Clinger (Linda McElhiney '59)*worked at registration table
Ward Cox * worked at registration table, helped decorate
Joe Creel (Beverly) *reunion photographer
Frank Deigaard (Betty)
Jean Forbes
Joan Forrester* worked at registration, event check in, helped decorate
Don Gentry* helped with decorations
Michael Harrell
Marge Hart (Richard Anderson)* worked at registration table
Linda Lee Havenor*worked at registration table
Nancy Ihland
Linda Jenkins*worked at registration table
Dan Jones
Janet Kilgard* reunion committee member, coordinator of volunteers for reunion
David Kitchin (Sharon)*worked at registration table
Neal Knight
Robie Lacy* worked at registration table as well as did the snail mailing
Maryannette Larson* worked at registration table as well as did snail mailing
Ann Lennon
Nancy McCarthy
Steve McDonald
Jim McIwain
Lynn McLeod
Barbara Nichols* in charge of all decorations
Richard Peck
Wayne Peck (Marion)*reunion photographer
Richard Reibman (Joan)* scripted and presented the memorial service
Maggie Reno
Sherrill Rigot*worked at registration table, event check-in, did snail mailing, helped decorate
Jack Ross
Harriet Schmidt
Patricia Shanklin* reunion committee member, worked at check-in, event check-in and
printed class reunion letter and headed the snail mailing
Sue Skelton (Jim Tumlinson)
Jack Slaton (Mert)
Quentin Till
Harriett Uhl (Larry McMannus '54)
Joan Van Paten (John Hendry '57)
Dick Vinal
Susan Watson
Barbara Williams
Linda Ann Williams*worked at registration
Billy Williamson (Wally '59)

Class members who almost attended:

James Anson and Sandy were registered to come and at the last minute couldn't come because there were a couple of deaths in the family.

Dean DeMello was also registered to come and at the last minute his doctor said he was not well enough to fly.

Cynthia Hymes was registered but was still not strong enough to travel after surgery several months before.

Susan Drake also was registered and cancelled a few weeks before the reunion due to some mobilization problems and knee treatments.

Jim Herman was ready to drive over for the day from Vero Beach and began suffering from double vision and didn't feel comfortable driving.

Classmates who took time to send regrets:

Skip Allen, Charlene Altschul, Carl Asbury, Bobby Ball, Carol Baltien, Bill Barnes, Bill Beaver, Bill Beiler, Sally Bloomquist, Peggy Borman, Frank Brown, Alice Cameron, Judy Campbell, Pat Clark, Victor Camoli, Judy Collins, David Crossett, Peggy Dorn, Richard Doster, Romayne Dupras, Sennett Duttonhofer, Clyde Epperson, Marilyn Funderburk, Ava Sue Gordon, Guy Graham, Mary Grandsden, Ross Hamilton, Holly Haynsworth, Connie Hoerner, Sandy Hogue, Harold Humphrey, Doug Jones, Elaine Jones, Ralph Jones, Jack Judge, Kathleen Kelley, Laura Kistler, Bill Krupa, Judy Laesser, Jack Logan, John Martin, Edward Matthews, Joe Maxwell, Tolson Mearns, Georgene Miller, Sandi Minear, Charles John Mitchell, Larry Mounts, Tom Nicholson, Vasha Nowakowski, David O'Neil, Betty Overholster, Sally Pagliucca, Gay Peckham, Herb Perez, Joe Perkel, Bill Poe, Bill Phillips, Marta Pripish, Michael Rada, Pat Rethorst, Barbara Rosher, Charlette Schildecker, Peggy Shader, Dale Smith, Patrick Smith, Suzanne Smith, Susan Sprague, Lewis Spratlin, Barry Starnes, Steve Stephens, George Stephens, Bill Studeman, Georgia Sullivan, Tommy Thompson, Linda Thorne, Exie Mae Townsend, Rosita Torruella, Mary Trempelas, Gloria Watts, Marty Weiss, Donna Wilmot, Helen Winter, Joseph Worsley, and Greg Zell.

Classmates who responded with a "maybe" but did not register or were unable to attend. You were missed!

Joe Akerman, Norman Anderson, Gayle Barrett, Jack Blye, Sylvia Book, Betty Case, Joy Cotton, Pat Cox, George Crawford, Richard DeBerry, Sally DeGunther, Ted Feely, Loretta Friedman, Penny Goldman, Ann Hamilton, Diana Howe, Doug Jennings, Jacquie Johnson, John Lisle, David MacHammer, Tommy London Moreau, Ginger Rambo, Mike Renuart, Rudy Rodriguez, Mickey Rogers, Eric Romoser, Judianne Rood, Pat Saunders, Sandy Scherer, Steve Senterfit, Saralee Smith, Mary Stearnes, Muriel Sumerfield, Geri Tonks, Anne Ventulett, Linda Walter, and John Wesley White.

THE STATE OF FUTURE CLASS REUNIONS FOR CLASS OF '58

We have now held our last organized reunion under the wonderful guidance and organization of the class of '56 and Cary Findlay. Even so, *several folk at the recent reunion in Orlando would like to get together again. It was unofficially decided that if someone wants to make a reunion happen that individual would choose a hotel, choose the dates, make a reservation for themselves and then inform us. Those who wish to come would call and make their own reservation for the same hotel for the chosen dates. That way we don't have to guarantee a certain amount of rooms or pay huge deposits on food events. We would just go, find one another in the lobby or by a pool and just enjoy being together. A cruise has also been suggested. Again, no arrangements—just choosing cruise ship and dates. If/when someone steps forward to do this and the information is sent to Janet Kilgard or to Wayne Peck we will make sure notifications are made via e-mail.*

We may be getting older and find it isn't as easy to get around, but in our minds we are still kids and we still see one another as young people.

In a nutshell:

- #1 Please keep in contact with us
- #2 Notify us of contact changes for yourself and your friends—especially e-mail addresses!
- #3 Send us any news you would like to share with us all.
- #4 Please send us any corrections regarding the information in the database.

Thank you!

Janet Kilgard Barbour barj22@yahoo.com

Wayne Peck wpeck@msn.com

IMPORTANT!

Class photos from reunion: Those who attended the 2016 reunion should have received their class photo in the mail around July 12.

Snapshots from reunion: They are posted on our website under “2016 Reunion”. Enjoy! Class of '58 photo and names of those in the photo are also on the website under “2016 Reunion Photo & Attendees”.

Class Database: Attached is the latest database. We are in the process of updating and correcting the website directory.

Personal request from Janet—I have been trying for years to find someone with a photo of our 6th grade class at Gables Elementary. My homeroom was with Mrs. Brinson. Anyone out there have a copy?

Two passings since our reunion:

Linda Sue Williams Stiles (1940 - 2016)



Jul. 31, 1940 - May 4, 2016 Stiles, Linda Sue Williams, 75, of Vestavia Hills, died on Wednesday, May 4th, 2016. Mrs. Stiles was born on July 31st, 1940 in Atlanta, Georgia to James Winfield Williams and Corday Savage Mears

Williams. She attended elementary and high school in Coral Gables, Florida. Mrs. Stiles graduated with her Bachelor of Arts from Vanderbilt University in 1962 with a major in English and a minor in Psychology. She started her social work career as a Child Welfare Worker for the Tennessee Department of Public Welfare where she returned as a supervisor after receiving her Master of Science in Social Work from the University of Tennessee in 1968. She then moved into the field of social work education, teaching at the University of Tennessee for one year. She taught at the University of Montevallo for three years and the University of Alabama at Birmingham for two years where she continued to be a Field Practicum Instructor. Mrs. Stiles also taught Mental Health Technology at Jefferson State Junior College for four years. Other social work experiences included: Eastern State Psychiatric Hospital in Knoxville, TN, the Western Mental Health Center, Association for Retarded Citizens, and the Riverchase Dialysis Center. She was a member of the following professional organizations: Academy of Certified Social Workers, Alabama Certified Social Worker, National Association of Senior Companion Program Directors, and the Alabama Association of Retired and Senior Volunteer Programs. From 1988 until her retirement, Mrs. Stiles was employed by Positive Maturity, a United Way agency that works with the elderly, as the Director of the Senior Companion Program. In 1999, she received the Professional Award from the Jefferson County Office of Senior Citizens Services. In 2002, she was inducted as an honorary member of the Alabama Senior Citizens Hall of Fame. Mrs. Stiles loved to be outdoors in nature and enjoyed fishing and hunting with her family. She loved the beach and the mountains. She enjoyed traveling and visited countries on many continents including South America, Europe and Africa. She had a special love and talent for pottery and completed many beautiful pieces in her classes. She will be missed dearly by her family, friends, neighbors, and professional colleagues. She is survived by her husband, Robert Allen Stiles, Ph.D., her son, James Allen Stiles, and her daughter-in-law, Sierra Hulsey Stiles. Other relatives include her sister, Nancy Williams Marlowe, brother-in-law, Mark Vincent Marlowe and nephews, Mark Winfield Marlowe, his wife Laura and their two children, Brett and Cecilia, and Cord Marlowe and his wife Kelly. Visitation will be at Elmwood Chapel from 1 pm to 2 pm on Monday, May 9, 2016. Service will follow at 2 pm. Burial at Forest Crest Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, Mrs. Stiles requested donations be made to the Senior Companion Program at Positive Maturity, Inc. Donations in her honor can be mailed to 3918 Montclair Road, Suite 200 or by phone by contacting Jacob Nance at (205) 803-3211.

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Eunice Jean Lyons Sweet (12/22/1940 - 6/21/2016)

Obituary



SWEET, EUNICE JEAN, aged 75, beloved mother, sister, aunt and grandmother, passed away in Miami, surrounded by her loving family on June 21, 2016. From her birth in Chicago, Illinois, on December 22, 1940, to her passing, she nourished family and friends with kindness, generosity and love. Born to Edward and Eunice Lyons, she was one of seven children, raised in a home filled with love and laughter. Eunice attended Saint Teresa High School and graduated from Coral Gables High School 1958. "Eunie" had a very generous and loving spirit, and enjoyed caring for and helping others, especially her grandchildren. She was always there to offer advice to those in need with love and reassurance that many will miss. Eunice enjoyed traveling, reading and spending time

with family and friends, but mostly with the grandchildren she cherished so much. Eunice is survived by her three children: Lisa Sweet, Bill Sweet; and Eric (Ilona) Sweet. She is also survived by her siblings; David Lyons of Connecticut; Lorraine Brill of Miami; and Maggie Lyons of Miami. Her 6 grandchildren she loved dearly; Tristan, Seth, Ella, Nathan, Emma, Kyle, & her nieces and nephews; Trisha, Kathy, Jeanne, Maureen, John, Eddie, Lory, Karen, Mike, Jen, Katy, Kyra, Sarah and Brad. A Celebration of her life will be held on Friday, July 15, 2016, from 7-9 pm and Mass will be held on Saturday July 16, at 11 am. Both will be held at Holy Rosary St. Richard Catholic Church at 7500 SW 152 Street, Miami, FL. Those who desire may make memorial donations in memory of Eunice to the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

Ending comments:

I think the most frequent comment during the reunion was how fortunate we each felt to have grown up in the time we did –grateful for the good education we received and for the beautiful peaceful times we enjoyed.

Please feel free to comment as well as write something for the e-mail newsletter. Not sure how often this will happen....stay tuned! JVKB

DON'T FORGET TO REACH OUT TO FRIENDS WHO MAY NOT USE E-MAIL. THANK YOU!