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Family names & ages:

At this stage, I just have a daughter, Audrey (22) who has been attending Davidson College in NC majoring in English. Audrey's father and I have been legally separated since 2002.

The guy in the picture is Peter, a friend from back east whom I see occasionally in Tucson. We were at an Opera League benefit, January 2008.

We also have a huge orange tabby tomcat named Samson and a demure little Blue Point Himalayan named Lucy.



What's happening in our family?

Audrey has taken a slower track for graduating than her classmates as she changed her major 3x and still has a year left. She's a bright, sensitive, warm hearted, delightful soul who's home for the summer and I am loving it.



I am in Tucson, AZ, taking care of my parents (part-time) otherwise wild horses could not have dragged me to the desert ... Mom is tiny and fragile (87 lbs!) but of strong mind and iron will. Daddy has changed mentally considerably but practiced medicine in Tucson until he was 84 yrs. old. We are very proud of him.

They have live-in help who came with a shepherd/chow. Thank goodness ... as I would crumble if I had to be there all the time. No one could have prepared me for how difficult this stage of life can be. I'm managing 3 homes (2 in upgrade/renovations!!), 4 cars, numerous bank accounts (mostly empty), ... , needless to say, this is insanity!!

I've been secretly plotting a final escape since I got to AZ and am honing in on the where/when/how (ha!) ... alas! as we know ourselves that will likely not happen until my parents have both left this world.

Fond memories of high school:

They're all fond!

The yearbook staff (we rocked), the green & white, the sports, the retreats, the school clubs & activities, the cafeteria, the teachers, the spirit, the dances, the sleepovers, the pool parties & playing cards, the cruises through town with the top down, the walks & talks with Sue Serbousek, the crazy cheerleading tryouts, the grass, the sky, and the just being with an awesome bunch of people. I talk of it often ... believe it or not.

Career status:

Bought a small condo here to home base while all this is happening but still have a NYC job doing development work out west for a NYC luxury fashion designer, Nina McLemore. Thru this I've met innumerable famous women, Gloria Allred included. I still take a creative assignment now and then, when they come my way. Recently, I've been asked to name an online university in California and provide the marketing platform & materials.



Got the wind knocked out of my sails after and because of 9/11 in Manhattan and other terrorist events and had to re-group. Spent a couple years fund-raising then moved to Arizona.

I consider that I had a long run in NY (25 years!) so no complaints and glad to have a change of pace.

How I spend my time:

Live-work-play in CA, AZ, NY, president of alumnae group of my sorority, on the Board of AZ Opera League, parent management & stuff,

Besides being beyond overworked in every aspect of my life, I look to escape.

We're travelers.

In recent years: Brazil, Italy, Puerto Vallarta. That's Audrey in PV New Year's 2007.



Comments for classmates:

See you in two months!

Lessons learned since 1969:

That life doesn't ever turn out to be what we expected or planned for. That when we're open to someone or someplace we wouldn't normally have been open to that that's when the greatest gifts come. And, family really does matter a lot. So do one's roots ... so here I am.

When you see me please don't ask:

If I'm seeing anyone (ha!)