

Jim Manning – June 2014

Hello Loveland Classmates! 50 years have passed quickly and the years have been good to me.

I met my bride, Cariin Denver shortly after high school, and 3 weeks later we were married! We just celebrated 46 years of marriage this February and have shared a wonderful life together. Cari and I moved out west to Washington state in 1970, planted roots, and have remained in the Pacific Northwest ever since. We live now in a quaint little town on the Puget Sound in Edmonds, Washington.

I built a successful business making signs, and Cari was a beautician throughout the years, while also raising our 4 children. I was fortunate enough to build and own a business that allowed me to provide for my family while coaching our kids in the numerous sports that were played in our household.

My children have made us proud, earning 8 college degrees amongst them! Our oldest, Christina, is an accountant and rescues dogs in her spare time. Our second eldest Jason, is a pastor at a local church, and he and his wife Heather have blessed us with 3 grandchildren (Colby 8 yrs, Avery 6 yrs & Micah 4 yrs). Our second son Matt is a business consultant, married to Quinn and together have given us 2 more grandchildren (E.J. 5 yrs & Charlee 4 yrs). Our youngest Joey, is a nurse and has taken to my most recent hobby of raising chickens.

Today I work part-time, enjoy spending time raising chickens and show pigeons, and spending time with my lively bunch of children and grandchildren! In fact, just today I enjoyed an afternoon swim in our pool with two of our grandchildren and dinner with two of my sons; doesn't get much better than that!

50 years have flown by, and I am so excited to be a part of this reunion. I look forward to reconnecting and seeing you all in September.

Best,

Jim Manning