



News of the Month – August 2015
Memorial High School – Class of 1959
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Dear Classmates,

One of the really good things about growing up in Eau Claire and staying here the rest of one's life is running into ECMHS classmates on a regular basis. It has happened to me several times this month, and it always feels so good to see a familiar face and to spend a little time "catching-up" with one another. It's great to see you, Classmates, whenever and wherever we meet!

Steve Loken has moved from his town house to a condo, so he has a new address. He has kept his email address, and you can get in touch with him via this website also. However, if you want to get in touch with him via snail mail, his address is:

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We have some sad news to tell you this month also. Several members of our class have had relatives pass away over the last few weeks. Cindy (Kosmosky) Nguyen died on May 27, 2015. She was the sister of our classmate, Darlene (Kosmosky) Plemon, who died earlier this year on March 20, 2015, so many of you knew Cindy too. Mildred Stetzer, step-mother of our classmate, Kenny Stetzer, died on July 2, 2015. As you will remember, Kenny passed on in 1984. Karon Turk Swords, sister of our classmate, Bob Turk, and sister-in-law of our classmate, Leah La Page Turk, died on July 10, 2015. Sharen Voldsness Hoepner passed away, suddenly but peacefully, in her sleep at home on July 25, 2015. Sharen was the wife of our classmate, Ron Hoepner, and a 1962 graduate of Memorial High School. And Patricia Young Nelson, sister of our classmate, Donald Young, passed away on Monday, July 27, 2015, in Eau Claire. Don preceded Patricia in death in 2000. There is a quotation in Karen Turk Swords' obituary that says her death is "our loss and Heaven's gain." It seems to me that that quotation is true for all of these people. We send our sincere sympathy to the families of these much loved relatives. Our thoughts are with you. To read the complete obituaries for all of these people, please go to "What's New?" on this website.

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