



El Segundo High School Class of 1947

The Elder Eagle

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Classmate News

John Horne Died October 22, 2012



John and Elli Horne 1990

Elli Horne sent us the following:

John Home sent his soul to the sea on Monday, October 22, 2012. He was 84 and passed peacefully at home with his family nearby. John will be remembered for his gregarious spirit, his will to live each day to the fullest, and his undying love for family and friends.

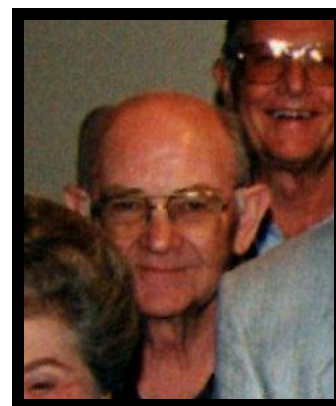
John was born in Douglas, Arizona and attended El Segundo High School, where he excelled in swimming and water polo. He became an L A County-Lifeguard while attending El Camino Junior College. John married his wife, Elli, after serving in the Korean War and they returned to the South Bay where he continued his 35-year lifeguarding career. Over that period John was promoted to Captain for the Southern Division of Los- Angeles County Lifeguards. During that time he made life-long friends in the field of Public Safety and Emergency

Services. John spent his life as a true water-man enjoying the South Bay, San Onofre, Baja California, the Hawaiian Islands and other parts of the Pacific and Atlantic-coasts. He and Elli also travelled extensively across the U.S. in their motor home including many wonderful expeditions with good friends in the Cortez. Viajeros Club

John is survived by his wife Elli, daughters Terry, Vicki and DeDe, sons-in-law Dennis and Reed, grandchildren Bob, Scott, Tommy, Catie, Brian, Danielle and Taylor, and great-grandson Jack. A this time, in lieu of flowers family has indicated that donations to the City of Hope to support on-going research and the fight against cancer would be a wonderful way to remember John. His family is most grateful for the love and support so many have shared and asks that together we keep John's spirit and love of life in our hearts forever.

Jesse Bohner- Deceased

Billie Bohner recently told me that **Jesse** died in 2009. We recently had mail returned from his address in Visalia, CA.



Jesse at Reunion in 1994

Virginia Coats Pederson Deceased



Virginia Coats Pederson 1947

Virginia died in 2006 according to her niece. She had lived in Alaska at one time and was known by her friends as "Pickles". We have been searching for Virginia as a missing classmate for years to no avail, but he niece saw the ESHS Web Sited and reported her death to the ESHS Alumni Association

Web Master, Rick Crowell, recently.

Classmate Clippings

Julian Franklin has moved back to Houston where he spent many years and he has retired. He had shoulder surgery in October, just about the time of the reunion, which was very successful. Now he is planning to have his left knee replaced. He is now living with his daughter, Julie Ann, and her husband, Dan. Julie has attended past reunions with her dad.

Gloria Stevenson Creason was operated on for recurring cancer her husband, Paul (46) reports. As the consequence Gloria can no longer talk, but she would be delighted to hear from you. Her address is 8040 Coromar Rd., Atascadero, CA 93422.

Ethel Boehner Wilson is living in a nursing home where she is being attended by her daughter Debbie. Her advanced Alzheimers condition prevented communications with her.

We heard from **Marvel Blakeman Kirby** just before the reunion, which she missed. She sent a feature from the LA Times about El Segundo regarding "Smoky Hollow". Not unflattering as you might surmise, as the name related to the years we were being raised in El Segundo. Now a thriving small business location.

A bit of **Meistrell** history. Here is **Bob** and **Patti** with **Marleen Meine (xx)** and **Louie** a few years back. Marlene married Louie Uehlin



Bob Meistrell, Patsy Tracy, Marlene Meine and Louie Uehlin (not ESHS), 1947

Frank Armbruster, who also missed the reunion, sent us a note about his age related macular degeneration concerns. He has been under treatment for years and seems to be improving. He credits this improvement to a product he has developed. He would be happy to hear from you and to supply a sample if you would send a self addressed envelope to P.O. Box 473274, Aurora, CO 80047. He also has written and published a paper relating to the product.

Arlen Cannon, also did not make last year's reunion because he is caring for his wife **Shirley** who broke a femur during the summer. She has now been released from the rehabilitation center in Yorba Linda where she spend several months recovering

Marian McKenzie Zahler did not attend the reunion in October, but we recieved a note from her reporting that her husband, Patrick, was having heart and breathing problems. We wish them well.

Lost Classmates

Time is running out in our effort to find some long lost classmates. Any clues will be followed up on. We are still looking for the following: **Marguerite Babcock, Barbara Bell Runion, Don R. Berube, Virginia Coats Pederson, Marion Deloris Edwards, Duncan Ferguson, Willis E. Foersterling, Gary Hoefler, Doris Arlene Horn, Charlotte Kelly, Joan Stichka, Marilyn Lee, Charlene Kissell, Jim Opolzer's** (mail is being returned. He lived in Grants Pass, OR for many years), **Betty Jean Roberts, Donald Frederick Thompson II**

Email & Address Changes

Beverly Westover Pendleton New Email address is that of her daughter. c.wendel@afconnect.com

Bob Jordan has relocated from Wisconsin to Virginia. He also has a new Email address.

Marvel Blakeman Kirby has new addresses

Julian Franklin has moved from El Segundo to a new address in Houston, TX. His old cell phone number still works.

Class of '47 Reunion News

Your Class was joined by members of the classes of 1946 and 1948 at our 65th Reunion, October 5,6&7, 2012. Bob Meistrell and his wife, Patti, as in the past, hosted the Party on Saturday and a Dolphin Watch Yacht outing on the Body Glove

on Sunday. We had 22 from the Class of 47, with 6 from the Class of 46 and 1 from the Class of 48 as guests

This year's attendees to the reunion contributed over \$400 to the Alumni Association (see Alumni Association News, below).

Pictures of the attendees celebrating at the Meistrell's and a CD of photos taken by several classmates throughout the weekend are available from Wilton Kanode for \$5. See address at end of this letter. Make check payable to Wilton Kanode.

Help provide interest in future gatherings to Wilton by returning the enclosed card.

News from Other Classes



Bob with sister, Beverly and Yvonne Wills at 2009 Reunion

Bob Hughes (48) Deceased
Bob died October 25, 2012. Last summer Bob was inducted into the USC Athletic Hall of Fame for his swimming achievements, which include a world record in the butterfly breaststroke and water polo Olympic participation.

ESHS Faculty 1945-1949

This from **Jim Norris** (48) who has a wealth of data on our High School experience.

How is your 66 year recall?

Does anything come back to you from the following list of 1945 to 1949 ESHS faculty?

Karl Barmore, Ernie Becker, Elizabeth Blackmon, Allie Blake, John Cornwell, Bob Cosby, Frank Craven, Jessie Denning, Marianna Dinoto, WS Dodd, Beth Erickson, Arnold Fletcher, Ruth Frankel, Dorothy Gauld, Ann Gere, Helen Grace, Charles Green, Vid Gudmunsen, Willette Gummow, Betty Haber, Will Harden, Merten Harlow, Harvey Hazeltine, Leo High, Francis Hill, Louise Hill, Geraldine Hoseason, Willia Ingram, Ruth Johnson, Alice Jordan, Frank Kelly, Betty Kral, Kurt Lenser, Ruby Lewis, Wesly Lewis, Warren McQueen, Francis Magill, Mr. Magrum, Clarence Mahaffey, Elizabeth Malloy, Aretha March, Loretta Masters, Don McCallum, Walt Middleton, Harry Moore, Velma Morgan, Sidna Nussbaumer, Art Petsch, Freda Plummer, Grace Potts, Frank Real, Max Reardon, Naomi Redding, Lloyd Reist, Otto Roemich, Urho Saari, Bill Schlechte, Howard Schuyler, Flo Silva, Grace Snelling, Laurene Strong, Florence Chambers, Horace Tilton, Maury Ward, Albert Weatherly, Doc Wessels, DT Williams, Margaret Williams, Ina Winfrey, Caroline Adams, Peggy Sullivan, Julia Wainscott

Alumni Association News

The Association, under the leadership of **Suzanne Fuentes(75)** has continued to make great progress this past year. Twelve to 15 Alumni Representatives attend each

Board Meeting. The Alumni Association Web Site, elsegundoalumni.org, with Web Master, Rick Crowell's(65) guidance, has been a resounding success and I hope all of you with computer access have visited the site The site contains many items of interest to all alumni. We have increased registration of our class members during the last year. There is no cost for registering. The funding of the Association currently is entirely on a contributor basis.

Hall of Fame

This year there was one alumnus inducted, **Rich Crowell** (65) our Alumni Association Web Master. He was recognized for the great work he has done, on a volunteer basis, in designing and implementing a truly outstanding Web Site which all of the alumni can be proud of. This work has been of great importance to the growth of the Association. He is a retired computer programmer, systems programmer and an IT professional, having been with Transamerica Information Services, Hughes Aircraft, and Computer Science Corp, from where he retired.

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Because of some problems with people's private information becoming public through the use of various Internet Search Engines, like Google, we will no longer publish phone numbers and addresses in our newsletter because the newsletter is now posted to the ESHS Alumni Web Site for all to enjoy. You can call the editor Wilton Kanode for this information.

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