

BOB PAYER

After graduation from high school, I went to college at Iowa State University, receiving my BS in Civil Engineering in 1966.

Bob served our country as a member of the Army. Following graduation from ISU in 1966, Bob went through Engineer Officer Candidate School. If you saw Richard Gere in "An Officer and a Gentleman" that wasn't me. I received a commission in May, 1967, one week before marrying Patty. Following one year at Fort Hood, TX and one year in Vietnam, I was discharged. Honorably, if you can believe it? Patty and I returned to Ames, IA, I worked for the IDOT and earned my ME in civil engineering.

On May 13, 1967, Bob was united in marriage to Patty Cundiff (Judy's sister) in Pocahontas, Iowa. This union was blessed with three children, Chris, Tom and Angela and nine grandchildren. Patty and I celebrated our 45th anniversary in May of this year. There may be a couple of photos in this attachment, one of what Patty and I look like now (I'm old and gray), one of our 40th anniversary in 2007 (with our children and their families....almost all, Tom and Wendy's daughter, our youngest grandchild, was born seven months after the photo) and one of our nine grandchildren taken this last Christmas, 12/29/2011. Patty and I are lucky to get all of our children and grandchildren together at our house every 4th of July and Christmas.

From 1972 to 1983, I worked for several private consulting engineering firms in Iowa. In 1983, I and Neal Kuehl started our own engineering firm in Storm Lake, IA. We operated and grew this firm until 2009 when it was sold to our seven (7) partners and I commenced transition into retirement. Engineering was my true calling in life. I have enjoyed taking projects from the conceptual stage through the design process and then working with clients (cities and counties in Iowa) and contractors to see the projects be constructed and utilized for the purposes intended.

Our children and grandchildren are as follows: Chris and Teresa Payer and their children, Ben, Emily and Luke live in Sioux City, IA. If you look at the photos you will see Chris is a classic example of "an apple not falling far from the tree." People say he looks and talks like his father and he is the City Engineer (oh god, another engineer) for Sioux City. Our daughter in law, Teresa, has a doctorate in pharmacy and works with Siouxland Community Health Center as a Pharmacist.

Tom and Wendy Payer and their children, Jacob and Johannah, live in North Las Vegas, NV. Both Tom and Wendy teach in the Clark County School System.

Angie (Payer) and Adam Ashley and their children Liz, Derek, Alex and Ellie live in Westfield, IN. Adam manages the US Cold Storage plant in Lebanon, IN and Angie works as a radiology tech for an arm and hand clinic in Indianapolis, IN.