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Well, 50 years seems like a long time, but it sure went by fast.

After leaving Pocahontas I went to Chicago and worked for Braniff International Airways at O'Hare Field. (You know, the ones with the funny-colored planes.)

I met my first husband R. Wayne Cameron and we were married in Acapulco, Mexico. We had two children. Lauree is a Physician's Assistant in Knoxville, Tennessee. Lauree has had a life long love for animals especially horses. She rode hunter/jumpers before and during college and has recently started to show reining horse and qualified to represent her area of TN in the Oklahoma City Show. Robert is co-owner of a custom barn-building company, and he also works in the energy industry. Rob and his wife Sharel live in Loveland and they have two children. Walker is six-years-old going on 50, and Willow is 16 months and doing very well at keeping up with her brother. Rob interest has always been the great outdoors and his is an avid hunter and fisherman but believes in protecting our land and animals. Sharel is fortunate to work at home for a national advertising firm so she can be with their children.

On November 8, 1985 I married Edward A. Gee, who was retired from the Air Force and is now a retired mobile/modular home mover. I have seven stepchildren, and I won't get into grands and great-grands from both marriages.

I've had a variety of experience from cleaning apartments to working as a bank teller, working for a plant engineering magazine to being responsible for all packaging materials for HJ Heinz in Iowa. I have worked as a dispatcher for an alfalfa company responsible for shipping railroad cars full of alfalfa pellets to various parts of the USA. Moving to Colorado gave me the opportunity work for a real estate company in the rental management department. From there I was in charge of all electrical inventory for a commercial/residential electrical company. I worked as a controller for a camera corporation that was sold—it was fun signing those multi-million dollar checks. After that I took some time off between running a pilot car for my husband and having a teenager at home. I finally was able to use my creative talents by working for JoAnn's Fabric and Crafts, mostly in floral design, then fabrics, and finally management. In 2004, I was forced to retire due to health issues.

Up until recently, Ed and I have done a little traveling. My Mom and two brothers are still in Muscatine. Ed has sisters in the south, and my daughter Lauree is in Tennessee. We have even been able to meet up with Donna and John in Arizona, which was wonderful.

In looking back at this it seems to be a rather boring, mundane life but it has been good.

Ed was struck with lung cancer in 1987 and fortunately survived, but now is struggling with the complications of COPD and a Rose Pickers Fungus. Bless his heart, he still keeps himself busy with exercise, Sofie (our miniature schnauzer), and holding down the recliner. I do a lot of quilting and sewing which keeps me fairly busy and in trouble.

I'm sorry we won't make it to this 50th Reunion but Ed is unable to travel and I cannot leave him home alone. I hope we have another reunion in five years so we can all stay in touch. Enjoy!

Hugs, Blessings, and Peace. Prayers for all of those who need them.

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