

Bushy Tales

Dedicated to all who attended London Central High School
at Bushy Park, London England from
1952 to 1962



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1954 – Betsy (Neff) Cote
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1955 – Volunteer Requested



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1961 – Betsy (Schley) Slepetz
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1962 – Dona (Hale) Ritchie
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A little reminder to all –if/when you change your email address, please let Pat Terpening (58) Owen nemoamasa@sbcglobal.net or me know, if you want to continue to receive the newsletter. Too many times we only find out when you send us an email saying you haven't received the newsletter in few months. Thanks, guys.



**Classmates Who
Have Transferred to
the Eternal Duty
Station**

From: Mike Smith

Hi - I wanted to notify you that my wife, who was Ellen Nolan prior to our marriage, passed away on Feb. 11 of this year. She was there as a teenager for all of 1954 and was excited to hear about "Bushy Tales". In fact, she submitted some pictures, but I'm not sure if they were received or published.

Ellen did contact one person who now lives in Florida. Her maiden name might have been Sue Johnson. Ellen did receive one response.

If you need me to resend the pictures let me know but it may take a while to locate them.

[Editor's Note: These pictures can be seen under "Memories of Bushy Park" below.]

Thanks so much!

Mike Smith (mikes0823@gmail.com)



Ellen Francis Nolan (55) Smith

Ellen Francis Smith of Shelbyville, KY, passed away February 11, 2022, at the Jewish Hospital in Shelbyville. She was 84 Years old.

Ellen was a member of the Church of the Annunciation in Shelbyville. She was a lover of music and enjoyed singing as a former member of the Annunciation choir and Louisville Chorus. She was a graduate of Mercy Academy in Louisville and was retired from the University of Louisville's Department of Physiology. Previously, she was an administrator with the Mesa school system in Arizona.

She is survived by her loving family: Husband Mike of Shelbyville; daughters, Rebecca Smith of Lexington and Erin Hisle (Bill) of Finchville; Her sister, Patty Casey (Russell) of Lexington; 10 grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. Ellen particularly loved being involved with their grandchildren and helped participate in many of their activities.

She was preceded in death by her brother, Franklin P. Nolan, and a sister, Jean Schulz, and brother-in-law Edgar Schulz.

The funeral service was held February 16, 2022, at the Church of the Annunciation followed by burial at Calvary Cemetery in Louisville.

Expressions of sympathy may be sent to the Family Tree foundation, 2212 Manchester Road, Louisville, KY 40205.

In Remembrance



Ellen Francis Smith
1937-2022

The House of Representatives

Commonwealth of Kentucky

In Memoriam

The House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
hereby pays tribute to the memory of

Ellen Francis Smith

and joins with

Representative Jennifer Henson Decker

in expressing deepest sympathy to all who share in the profound loss of this esteemed citizen on February 11, 2022. Preceded in death by her siblings and brother-in-law, Franklin P. Nolan and Jean and Edgar Schulz, she is survived by her cherished husband, Mike Smith; beloved daughters and son-in-law, Rebecca Smith and Erin and Bill Hisle; sister and her husband, Patty and Russell Casey; ten grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews; and a host of other family members, friends, and loved ones. This highly regarded lady, a graduate of Mercy Academy in Louisville, Kentucky; a retired employee from the Department of Physiology at the University of Louisville; a former administrator with the Mesa School System in Arizona; a devoted family woman and avid music lover who had been a former member of the Annunciation Choir and the Louisville Chorus; and a faithful member of the Church of the Annunciation in Shelbyville, Kentucky, is remembered for the many and generous contributions she made to her family, friends, and the community. Ellen Francis Smith will be deeply missed by all whose lives were touched by her presence.

Done in Frankfort, Kentucky, this
fifteenth day of February, in the year
two thousand twenty-two.



David W. Blanton
Speaker, House of Representatives

Jennifer H. Decker
Member, House of Representatives

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Richard Lloyd Ray-Marvinson Painter, 1944 - 1965

Richard Lloyd Ray-Marvinson Painter was born in 1944, in South Dakota, to Ray Marvin Painter and Pearl Decotah Painter (born Jelle).

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Jenifer Schmidt (58) Larson

1940 – 26 October 1999

Children – Arthur Larson, Jr.; Barbara Larson

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From: Karen Cottingham (60) Trouvat

Hi Pat,

This is the obituary for Joe Miranda - a dorm student at Bushy during his freshman year.

Joe and I became close friends when we found ourselves at Little Rock Air Force Base after leaving England. We had many good times together in our new school and later at the University of Colorado. Joe was a kind, funny and generous guy...

For old times' sake, here's a snap of Joe in '61...
Best regards, Karen





Joseph P. Miranda (60)



Joseph P. Miranda, age 73, of Berkley, passed away on May 23, 2016, with his loving canine companion, Lucky, by his side. Joe was born in Fall River, MA. He was predeceased by his parents, the late Joseph P. and Otelia (Soares) Miranda.

He served in the United States Air Force, obtained an honorable discharge in 1967, and later settled on the west coast. Joey worked for a number of years at area casinos as a card dealer. Thereafter, prior to retirement and his move back east to care for his aging mother, Joe enjoyed driving a taxi in and around San Francisco, CA.

Joseph is survived by his aunt Jane DeAguiar and her husband John of Somerset and his uncle David Miranda and his wife Janet of Fairhaven. Joe leaves behind an extended family of cousins, including in particular Leigh Shepley Miranda of Fairhaven and William A. Soares of Somerset, and friends.

Following cremation, a memorial service took place at the Calvary Temple Assembly of God located at 4321 North Main Street, Fall River, MA on June 18th. Burial will be scheduled at a later date at the Massachusetts National Cemetery in Bourne. Arrangements were under the direction of the Manuel Rogers & Sons Funeral Home, 1521 North Main Street, Fall River. www.rogersfuneral.com.

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Barbara Kay Sinclair (61) - March 10, 1943 – May 9, 2005

Barbara Kay Sinclair was born March 10, 1943. She married Jerry Lindsey Howell and they had three children, Thomas (1967), Donna (1970) and Michael (1975) all born in Travis City, TX.

Barbara Kay Howell, 62, passed away on Monday May 9, 2005.

Bobbi was an RN working in the operating room, for 20 plus years in various hospitals in Texas. She graduated from the Brackenridge School of Nursing in 1965, earned her Bachelor of Science

in health professions in 1988. She also worked for the health department for the last 15 years in the regulatory services division.

She is survived by husband, Jerry Howell of Florence; daughter, Donna Howell of Florence; son, Michael Howell of Schertz; brother, Toby Sinclair of Austin; sister, Rebecca Sinclair of San Antonio; and many other relatives and friends who both loved and respected her.

Preceding her in death was her son, Thomas Howell, in 1986.

The family received guests for a visitation on Wednesday, May 11, 2005, at the Young Memorial Chapel in Florence. Funeral services were held at 2:30 p.m. on May 11, 2005, at the First Baptist Church in Florence with Reverend Troy Allen officiating. Interment followed at Florence City Cemetery in Florence.

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FOUND:



Benjamin F. Wolfe, Jr., Class of 1960

Pat, you are a great marksman because your long shot is right on target. I am the Ben Wolfe you have been trying to locate.

My family rotated Stateside in 1958 therefore I did not graduate Bushy Park. Over the years I have often thought about and relived memories of England and our school, but I did not have an annual and therefore do not remember names.

I played on the Rugby Team and believe our coach was Mr. Euston.

I am not anti-social but my health is not as good as it was in previous years so reunions and get together won't work for me but I would enjoy the newsletter.

Thanks for contacting me. Please stay in touch.

Ben Wolfe, USAF Vet. Ret.

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Richard K. Jackson, Class of 1954

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Paul R. Emery, Class of 1962

Paul Emery has been a resident of Nevada County since 1976. He migrated to Nevada County as a musician and made it his home base during his 25-year career as a performing artist.

The "Nevada City Live" series marks Emery's 41st anniversary of producing concerts and gatherings that create unforgettable moments for both the performers and attendees. He has organized concerts for legendary artists such as Richie Havens and Johnny Winter along with supported up and coming musicians including MaMuse and Mark Growden and assembled local musicians for special one-night productions such as "A Thousand Kisses Deep, the songs of Leonard Cohen" and benefit concerts for local non-profits and community causes.

Emery started producing concerts for his band at the Nevada Theatre in the early 70s. His productions continued throughout the 1980's and included the North Columbia Folk Festival from 1986-1991. In between organizing and promoting concerts and festivals, Emery toured Europe four times and performed for the Queen of England when she visited Sacramento in 1983. In 1984 he opened Bennett House Recording Studio in Grass Valley and started a record label bearing the same name. During this time, Emery served as the engineer on two Jonathan Richman's albums, "Jonathan Richman (S/T)" and "Jonathan Richman and Modern Lovers 88", both recorded at Bennett House.

Mr. Emery is a professional musician, producer and audio engineer (approx. 35 years). From 1998 to 2000, he contracted with Steve Laverre to restore vintage blues and jazz recordings. He has his own audio studio and audio production equipment (used for live sound, archiving, audio restoration, album/cd production and audio editing). He also owns a van used for equipment transport. Current clients, in addition to his own productions through Paul Emery Presents, include NC Chamber of Commerce, The Center for the Arts, Strings Concerts, KVMR, Nevada Theatre, Miners Foundry, Auburn Park and Recreation District, Alasdair Fraser, North Columbia Schoolhouse Cultural Center, numerous bands, Legacy Productions, Oddfellows, GV Elks and others. In 2012, Emery was awarded the prestigious Dr. Leland and Sally Lewis Performing Arts award by the Nevada City Chamber of Commerce for his contribution and support of the performing arts in Nevada County.



Paul Emery and Anni McCann (photo John Taber)

From: Pat Owen: As an aside - Paul was found in a small town, population 3,144, which in itself is not unusual, but there were two other Bushy Park alum living in this town. A few years ago, two of the classmates found each other, but until this month, although at least one of the classmates knew Paul, they didn't know that they went to the same school!

Memories of Bushy Park

Robert Harrold (60) maintains a Bushy Park website at BushyPark.org. Among the things you can see at this website is a "Guestbook", in which many website visitors have left comments. There are many entries, dating back to April 2007. Here is a direct link: [Bushy Park Guest Book](#)



SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Bob Harrold (60) has been operating the BushyPark.org website for several years. It was originally created by Wanda DeVary (60). Bob is now considering how the website might continue when he is unable to do so, at some point in the future. He is in good health today, but as we all know this can change at any time.

Bob has written to me to ask if anyone in our readers group might have an interest and capability to do so. Bob is willing to provide to said person(s) copies of the website contents that can be practiced with offline to get the hang of how it operates.

The goal is to maintain and operate this website in the same manner and format as it has been, free of any advertising, political dialogue, etc. It is completely independent of the "Bushy Tales" newsletter, but it addresses the same audience, classes 1953 -1962.

Some details from Bob of what and how he now does it:

I'm thinking that if I were to "not be around", so to speak, as happened with previous folks who kept up the web pages ... do you think we should have a backup person to manage the pages (in case I drop over ...hopefully, none too soon.)?

I pay for the domain name of BushyPark.org via Network Solutions domain registry service. I pay it in 5-year increments, in advance.

Also, the web pages are stored on, and the web site fed from, a server in my house. It is backed up and remotely maintained by a friend, George Seymour. He and I are registered with Network Solutions to manage the domain name. The entire web site could, at some point, be copied over files wise, and be available to someone as a restorable backup onto another physical server somewhere. I think Google has reasonable rates to host entire domain websites, if someone were to take over keeping the web site alive, were I out of the picture ...so to speak. (yuck!)

It's something that I never imagined I'd be thinking seriously about; however, we're not spring chickens anymore.

At the very least, a couple of other of us RAF Bushy Park folks should have a copy (which I can put on to a memory stick) plus copy to others, the phone numbers to call to as to whomever is the contact point for the web site domain registration (bushypark.org), which is myself Robert Harrold and a server tech friend of mine, George Seymour (currently living in California.)

I can make a complete backup of the website, a snapshot at any given time, and send it for safe keeping, access to, practice with, etc., as some of us agree to do. It is not a rush, by any means ...I HOPE!

Anyone who is interested in doing this, please contact me, Bob Harrold, at my email address rbharrold@harrold.org

Bob Harrold (60)



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Editor's Note: Ellen Nolan (55) Smith sent the email and pictures below to Pat Owen on September 7, 2020. Pat then forwarded them to me. For some reason I cannot explain, I did NOT include it a newsletter. I found this information after receiving an email from her husband, Mike Smith. (Shown above in obituaries) I apologized to Mike for my horrendous oversight. I now apologize to all of you for failing to include this in a newsletter before the unfortunate loss of Ellen Smith.



From: Ellen Nolan (55) Smith

Hi Pat -- I recently received your letter searching for Ellen Nolan in Shelbyville, KY. You have found her. So glad that you reached out and contacted me.

My married name is, as you stated, Ellen F. Smith and the address is Shelbyville, KY.

Here's a little information on me: I graduated from Mercy Academy in Louisville, KY in 1955 after having attended Bushy Park in 1953 and 1954. I was there with my sister and brother-in-law (USAF), both deceased. I retired from the University of Louisville's administrative section of Physiology in 1997. I'm married to Mike Smith, the mother of two daughters and grandmother of 10. Mike is a writer and, since I currently have a broken wrist, he is composing this for me so any mistakes can be attributed to him.

I do have a few pictures and am sending some of them along PDF. If you need them under a different format or need me to send them to a different site, please let me know. I did visit the website, which is very impressive.

Sincerely,
Ellen (Nolan) Smith

p.s. - Photos are attached. The girl sitting down alone is me; don't recall Patsy's last name but she always called me "Little Bit."







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From: Penny Ohrman (61) Bernstein

With regards to Carol Garside Brooks comment on making friends quickly when moving from one station to another; her comment about not knowing officers from enlisted kids is so true and, good for us. When I began trying to find classmates and alums for the Bitburg, Germany American HS in '88 - before the Internet, I found this to be so true. I'd find someone and ask who they knew, clues were their parents officers or enlisted. If officer, I could locate easily from the Officer's Assoc. They would forward the letter on or in some cases give me the address then. With the Enlisted Association, they were more closely held. None of us cared what our friends' fathers were or did. In Bitburg, other than really close friends whose homes I would go into and meet the parents and therefore address the father by his rank, I had no clue to rank. On base in Germany, with the exception of the base commander or wing commander who lived in larger homes in housing, we all had the same apartments, same furniture. We all made friends quickly and as so many have said through the years in "Bushy Tales", many were our friends for life.

I just applaud all of us for trying to adapt, participate and being able to make friends regardless of circumstances.

Penny Ohrman (61) Bernstein

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