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A note on your career and "family" life since 62!

Happy college days at Hamilton College, followed by 2 years of teaching in Greece, then back to an MA in English at Colgate U with a Greek wife, Elizabeth. High school teaching in Brighton/Rochester, NY, then a PhD in Comparative Literature at the University of Illinois (Urbana). Zoom for more years of teaching but at the university level with film and literature in Athens, Greece and then at George Mason U in Virginia followed by twenty years of teaching in New Orleans at U of New Orleans and Loyola University, oh, yes, and during that period time off for two years of heading the film program at Brooklyn College. A wonderful son, Philip from my first marriage and then after a few years of divorce, a life still shared with Odette and, yes, two children, Sam and Caroline, and a move to the U of Oklahoma in 1997 to become head of the film program and an endowed chair (sounds strange, doesn't it!).

Lots of good family time and travels and friends across the world plus a love of movies that has made me a screenwriter too (awards in Europe for several and even made Brad Pitt's first film!) and a film scholar with 18 or so books published.

But still a Virginia hillbilly at heart and still in love with Amherst and our wonderful years at Amherst High pre VietNam and all else that followed!

Where are we usually if not at home? GREECE every summer on the island we love, KEA!

A pleasant memory from Amherst High

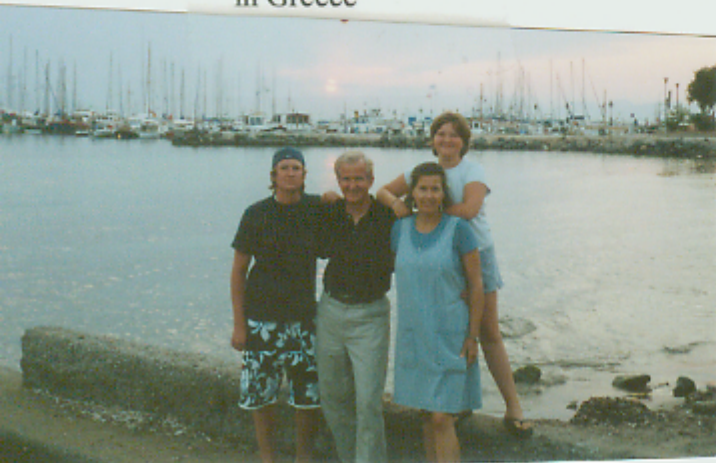
So many, and I did keep a journal and, yes, I get a kick out re-reading about class assemblies, spur of the weekend camping trips, practical pranks carried out "for fun" at school, and winters with ice skating and toboggan rides as well as playing drums in the J Herkimer C Quartet. Oh, Ted Kennedy's visit during his brother's campaign wasn't a bad moment either. And all the class activities from antique shows to sock hops and paper drives.

A teacher and a moment to remember:

Torn between Mr Eddy's humor in math, Mr. Crouse's wonderfully bad puns and Mr Traverso's threat to fail me if I didn't go visit Hamilton College which I did do and..... wound up going there too!

PHOTOS

Sam, Andy, Odette and Caroline
in Greece



Andy in Istanbul in 1966!

