## **BIOGRAPHY - Lynn Herrera**

Grover "Lynn" Herrera - Bio

I first moved to El Paso in 1954 and along with many of my Burges classmates attended Cooley Elementary School. I ran across and have attached a class photo of Mr. Pope's 6th grade class. See anyone you know? It was in the 5th grade that I began playing the trumpet. In the summer of 1957 I moved to DeRidder, Louisiana where I attended grade 7 and continued playing the trumpet.



I moved back to El Paso in the summer of 1958 and attended 8th and first half of 9th grade at Burges and continued playing the trumpet. In January 1960 I moved to Bordentown, New Jersey where I lived for three years, attended Pemberton Regional and William McFarland High Schools and where I played trumpet in All State Band for the last two of those three years.

I moved back to El Paso in January 1963 to finish out my senior year at Burges and continued to play the trumpet. Following graduation from Burges I attended Texas Western College on a band scholarship - guess playing the trumpet was beginning to pay off. It was also during this time that I began playing trumpet in a small group known as Bill Brooks Combo. What a blast - Bill Brooks on the trombone, the late Raymond Allen on the clarinet, Mike Murguia on the tenor sax, the late Barry Thornhill on the piano, Ronnie Miller on the drums and yours truly on the trumpet.

In June 1965 I enlisted in the US Navy Reserve. While in basic training I was selected to play in the Drum & Bugle Corps - playing the trumpet all those years pays off again. Following basic training I reported to a ship scheduled to spend three months in the Caribbean and nine months in the Mediterranean. I was fortunate to have visited a number of scenic ports in the Virgin Islands,

Spain, France and Italy.

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In June 1967, following my two-year active duty commitment in the Navy Reserve, I returned to El Paso and re-enrolled at the University of Texas El Paso in the Department of Engineering and graduated in May 1973 with a BSEE. During the six years between 1967 and 1973 I spent several years in Maryland where I worked as a technical writer for a defense contractor and where I met Marsha - a southern belle from South Carolina - whom I would ultimately marry.

After graduating from UTEP I accepted an engineering position with what was then known as Dallas Power & Light Company in Dallas, Texas. Although the name of

the company changed many times over the span of 31 years, I retired in 2004 from the same company I started with in 1973. Following retirement I started my own Project Management/Engineering Consulting (dba) business – Marlyn Consulting. Consulting has kept me busy to date – providing project management and engineering services to the same company from which I retired as well as a

forensic engineering firm in Houston, TX.



Marsha, my wonderful wife of 43 years, and I have one daughter, Emily. Marsha is a graduate of Winthrop College in South Carolina and retired school teacher. We met in Maryland, were married in South Carolina in August of 1970, moved to El Paso in the summer of 1971 where Marsha received her PHT degree and I my BSEE degree in June 1973. We finally settled in the Dallas area where we've lived for the past 40 years. We love to travel and I'm an avid golfer. Some of our favorite places to vacation include Branson, MO and Maui, HI.

Marsha and I are looking forward to returning to El Paso and revisiting memories and friendships.