

# Bushy Tales

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



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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](mailto: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.**

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There were 172 classmates in the Class of 1956. Of those, 62 have been located, 49 are deceased and 61 are still missing.

If anyone has any information on those still missing, I'd love to have it. Parents names, names of siblings or any other information can be a clue to locating them.

Thanks,  
Pat Terpening (58) Owen

### CLASS of 1956

#### FOUND

Aldouby, Leamm  
Andreason, Dawwna  
Berryman, Jane  
Berryman, Jay  
Black, Murray  
Bond, Nancy  
Bourgeois, Judy  
Branyon, Karen  
Caldwell, Virginia  
Chandonnet, Robert  
Child, James  
Colwick, Glynnell  
Cram, Robin  
Crawford, Betsey  
Cypert, Mitch  
Deavers, Willa  
Dilley, Harold  
Ellis, Barbara  
English, Mary Lu  
Enroth, John  
Fanno, Carol  
Fricke, Elizabeth

Fuller, Glenda  
Gaca, Lee  
Gehrett, Delbert  
Godfrey, Neil  
Grimes, Bill  
Horner, Faye  
Jones, Anne  
Jones, Jean  
Journiette, Dorothy  
Kieswetter, Chico  
Kwist, Tom  
Laughlin, Pete  
McCosh, John  
Middlebrook, Paul  
Miller, Ronald P.  
Moore, Phyllis  
Norton, Monna Sue  
Parish, Windy  
Penney, Shirley  
Pfennighausen, Richard  
Porter, Sheila  
Reed, Nancy

Robbins, Joel  
Rumph, Robert  
Schroeder, Beverly  
Sefton, Warren  
Sharpe, Roberta  
Showers (Langlais), Raymond  
Shuman, Tommie  
Smith, Barry  
Sparks, Linda  
Sutherland, Timothy  
Thomas, Winifred  
Thompson, William  
Turner, Elaine  
Turner,  
Jesse  
Whaley, Mary  
Whitehurst, Betty Lou  
Wilke, Peggie  
Williams, Edie

## DECEASED

Andrews, Charlie  
Ashcraft, Judy  
Askew, Richard  
Bailey, Robert L.  
Bayer, George  
Beverly, Stan, IV  
Blakeney, Judy  
Blount, Dallas  
Braetigam, Lee  
Bunn, Amy  
Cain, Donald  
Cain, Robert  
Clay, Deanna  
Conner, Martha  
Crenshaw, Joel  
Dabney, Frederic  
DeVaughn, Carolyn

Downing, Orville  
Dreibelbis, Harold  
Ervin, Kay  
Fitts, Levon  
Fitzgerald, Gail  
Gossett, Nicholas  
Halcomb, Wayland  
Hein, Robert  
Hibbeler, Eugene  
Holterman, Gordon  
Hunsicker, Jerry  
Hunziker, Charles  
Kise, Charles  
Larimore, Sue  
Lathrop, Diane  
McManigal, David  
Mardesich, Joan

Miller, Marilyn  
Mosgrave, Jamie  
Neves, Manuel  
Parrish, Freddie  
Pattie, Kenton  
Pazera, Anthony  
Piety, John  
Robie, Kenneth  
Sheley, Karen  
Siebenaler, Alan  
Tiffany, John  
Vance, William  
Weston, Bruce  
Williams, Cari  
Zirkle, Dorothy

## STILL MISSING

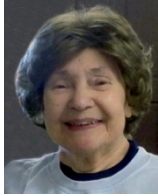
Allen, Frank  
Amons, Mary  
Bailey, Robert  
Bemis, Gary  
Bernard, Ray  
Black, Diane  
Conner, Connie  
Bush, Robert  
Clark, Lynda  
Cole, Betty  
Compton, Kay  
Currier, Richard  
Dailey, David  
Denham, Carol  
Denham, Jean  
Dimitroff, John  
Doyle, Rosemarie  
Dutcher, David  
English, Patrick  
Ezell, Nancy  
Fair, Lady

Foltz, Kenneth  
George, Richard  
Gibson, Edna  
Green, Margaret  
Hall, Shirley  
Hammock, Virgil  
Harding, Joan  
Hardy, Peggy  
Hernandez, Rafael  
Hogue, Dorothy  
Hundley, Pat  
Jackson, Alice  
Jackson, Robert  
Johnson, Richard  
Kibbe, Richard  
Lewis, Robert  
Lindsey, Robert  
Maher, Waltrant  
Maloney, Patrick  
Miller, Marjorie  
Montera, Edith

Morris, Donnie  
Peterson, John  
Richards, Judy  
Sobania, Lucille  
Seaver, Lynn  
Smith, Barbara  
Strum, Richard  
Thomas, Patricia  
Waggoner, Sandra  
Weller, William  
West, James  
West, Robert  
Wheeler, Alice  
Whidden, Eddie  
Wilson, Georgia  
Wisler, Lorna  
Wood, Kelley  
Wright, Dan  
Young, Gale



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



**Patricia Ness (58) Rodgers  
December 24, 1939 ~ November 11, 2020**

**Patricia Ness Rodgers, 80, of North Vernon, IN, passed away at 8:32 a.m. on Wednesday, November 11, 2020, at her residence.**

**Born December 24, 1939, in Washington D.C., she was the daughter of Wilber and Emma (Borst) Ness. She married Glenn F. Rodgers, Jr. on August 15, 1981 in Knoxville, Tennessee; he survives.**

**Patricia graduated high school in England and received a bachelor's degree in arts from Dayton University in Ohio. She taught piano, cello, and violin in different colleges and schools in Ohio for 18 years. Patricia loved to travel and had traveled to several countries in Europe and to every state in the United States except for Alaska and Hawaii. She loved horses and German Shepherds and had owned several of them over the years.**

**Survivors include her husband, Glenn F. Rodgers, Jr.; brother, Dr. James Ness of Tellico Plains, Tennessee; sisters, Sandra (Dick) Webster of Morristown, Tennessee and Linda Euler of Malibu, California; and nieces and nephews, Cynthia (Ron) Branch of Knoxville, Tennessee, Valaria (Jeff) Maes of Chicago, Illinois, Angie Vlahos of Portland, Oregon, Alysse Ness of Jacksonville, Florida, and Cooper Ness of Phoenix, Arizona.**

**She was preceded in death by her parents.**

**In keeping with the family's wishes, cremation is planned with no services to be held at this time. Arrangements were entrusted to the care of Dove-Sharp & Rudicel Funeral Home and Cremation Services in North Vernon, IN.**

**To send flowers to the family or plant a tree in memory of Patricia Ness Rodgers, please visit our [floral store](#).**

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**Lawrence B. Hardenbrook (62) March 23, 1943 - April 27, 2018**

**With heavy hearts, we announce the death of Lawrence Hardenbrook (Midvale, Utah), born in Laredo, Texas, who passed away on April 27, 2018 at the age of 75. Family and friends are welcome to [send flowers](#) or leave their condolences on this memorial page and share them with the family.**

**He was predeceased by his parents, Leroy Hardenbrook and Vera Hardenbrook. He is survived by his wife Barbara Walker Hardenbrook; his brother Charles; and his children, Jeff (Julia), Amy (Dale), Ryan (Julie), Spencer (Lauren) and Brett (Jessica). He is also survived by 12 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.**

# Memories of Bushy Park

Robert Harrold (60) maintains a Bushy Park website at [BushyPark.org](http://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](#)



**From: Lindsay Ervin (60)**

**Hi Bill and Pat,**

**Thanks again for all you guys do in getting this newsletter out. It means a lot to me to see stories about our times in London at Bushy. This reply is a bit late, thus I was happy to hear about Bill’s good outcome with his medical issues.**

**I was deeply saddened to hear of Charles Allen’s death. We were good friends when I was in London. We first met in the 8th grade at Eastcote (I think it was Eastcote) and had some great times during our 8th grade. During that year we spent a lot of time together. I went with Charley and his parents on a month-long trip thru France and Germany seeing a lot of great places and doing a lot of fun things. His parents were great, and Charlie and I had a lot of fun on that trip. During our freshman year at Bushy, we did things together but also started doing things with other students. I’ve attached a photo of Charlie and myself (along with my little brother and sister) behind our house in London.**

**I called Charlie in the mid 1980s +/- and he was practicing dentistry in Alabama and doing good. He flew helicopters in Vietnam, and I was proud of him for his service to our country.....as I am of all of you other Bushy students who also served our country.**

**Charlie was a great friend and person and I wish I could have spent more time with him after getting back state-side. I’ve attached my email if any of you other Bushy students want to drop me a note. Take care and I hope all of my old Bushy friends are doing good.**

**Best wishes.....Lindsay B. Ervin**

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**From: Nancy Reed (56) Gesswein**

**What has living in England done for my life?**

**When I learned we were moving to London, England, I was most unhappy to leave my friends in South Carolina. The thing I know now is it was the best thing that could have happened to me!**

**Two years in London and what it meant to the rest of my life.**

**My father was either going to London or Norfolk, Virginia, for his next tour. In Virginia they closed all the public schools that year to keep from integrating them. It was a very messy year for them. Most of the churches opened their doors to see that the children had a year of segregated school. I am not sure who actually did the teaching.**

**I had a very interesting year in a British Girls school where I learned a lot and worked hard to excel. At the end of the year, I was included in the annual play of “Julius Caesar”. I was the third guard. I had one line, “Halt, who goes there?” Which I said in my southern accent. The house broke down in hilarious laughter. I laughed too!**

**My year in the British school and my year at Bushy Park, which was like heaven really, had prepared me for a good senior year in an American school in California with 400 other new students.**

**A friend from South Carolina came to visit and stayed with my family. He was with us for a week. I did not study all week, but the fun week did not affect my grades at all. I attribute that to good training the year before at Bushy Park.**

**In college I pledged a sorority and what the girls in the different groups often wanted to talk to me about was being in England. It was my choice when pledge decisions were happening.**

**As an adult, I have enjoyed the friendships of many Brits because of my background and eventually I was invited to train American teachers in a New Zealand reading program called Reading Recovery (I am a reading teacher). That invitation included a year of free study at Ohio State University as a teacher’s aide, and eventually exchanges in both New Zealand and Australia while we tried to figure what was different in New Zealand classrooms that made their program work so well. That was when school systems had money to spend on the education of low kids.**

**Now I am living in a military retirement community. Most of us have traveled a lot. And some of us are military juniors. I still fit in and have some great new friends. But so far, I have not met anyone who has been to Bushy Park. The unspoken words are – I never felt I fit in until Bushy Park. Thanks to all of you!!**

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## Letters to the Editor



**From: Susan Miller (62) Dalberg**

I tried to send Bill and email, “glad all went well, and you are okay” and my computer doesn’t like it when I just click on his address. Glad all went so good for him.

I think Gary was editor when that picture of Jane Vicroy and the three of us got sent in. It wasn’t long before my photo albums got soaked in that storm. I’m trying to help Jeff out, but I can’t find that photo anywhere. I know I put it in a “safe place”. Duhhh. I don’t like this part of aging!!

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