

Hicksville High School
Class of 1961
50 Year Reunion
September 17, 2011
Go Comets!!!

Bob Casale went to Macarthur Airport Friday morning before the reunion. Mary Jane (MJ) Gemuendt was arriving at 10am and wanted a tour of Hicksville because she hadn't been back since our graduation in 1961. Karen Hartig was at the Marriott and we picked her up on the way into Hicksville. Karen lives locally but was interested in seeing Hicksville.

Exited Northern Parkway at South Oyster Bay Road. Drove south past Old Country Road to my old stomping grounds that was in front of the Day's Inn.



Delaneys where I spent almost every Saturday night for dinner and drinks.



Delaneys was one of the premier places to dine in Hicksville. The people who lived there knew where to eat. And Happy Hours were the best.

Not too far from Delaneys is the border of Hicksville and Levittown (Spindle Road). Many of us were very close to that border of two school districts. It was that close and then we would be off to Levittown Division (UGH!!!)

477 Division Avenue was on the border, only three houses from Spindle Road, but “On The Hicksville Side.!”

MJ and her brothers remember that house. Because they lived there.





We drove up Thimble Road passing by the Fenigstein, Rosenwasser, Polanski, McCarron homes. Sabatella and Maryann Miller lived on Lantern. Made a right heading toward Fork Lane School and passed by my house on the corner of Berry Lane (#2).



2 Berry Lane, 1957
Marge & Dave Casale



First Renovation late 1990's
2 Berry Lane

Below is the 2nd Renovation that was sometime around 2005

Those who used to live in a basic ranch can appreciate the change!!!



Below is Fork Lane School. Oh what memories.



WE drove up Spindle Road. During the summer, we used to head to the West Village Green near Newbridge Road. A community pool kept us cool during the summer months and many of us were on the swim team.



The three of us traveled up Newbridge Road. MJ was shocked to see this one lane in both directions roadway now widened considerably.

**Newbridge Road Looking North
Toward Elevated Tracks**



**Newbridge Road Looking
South Toward Old Country
Road**



We continued south and cut into the Glenbrook Homes shooting down Glenbrook Road toward Division Avenue. We drove through the neighborhood passing by homes once occupied by Tisdale, Buckman, Farrell, Blust, DeBrock, Siegel, Carbe, Smith, Sherman and many more. Oh, I lived at 14 Edgewood Drive.

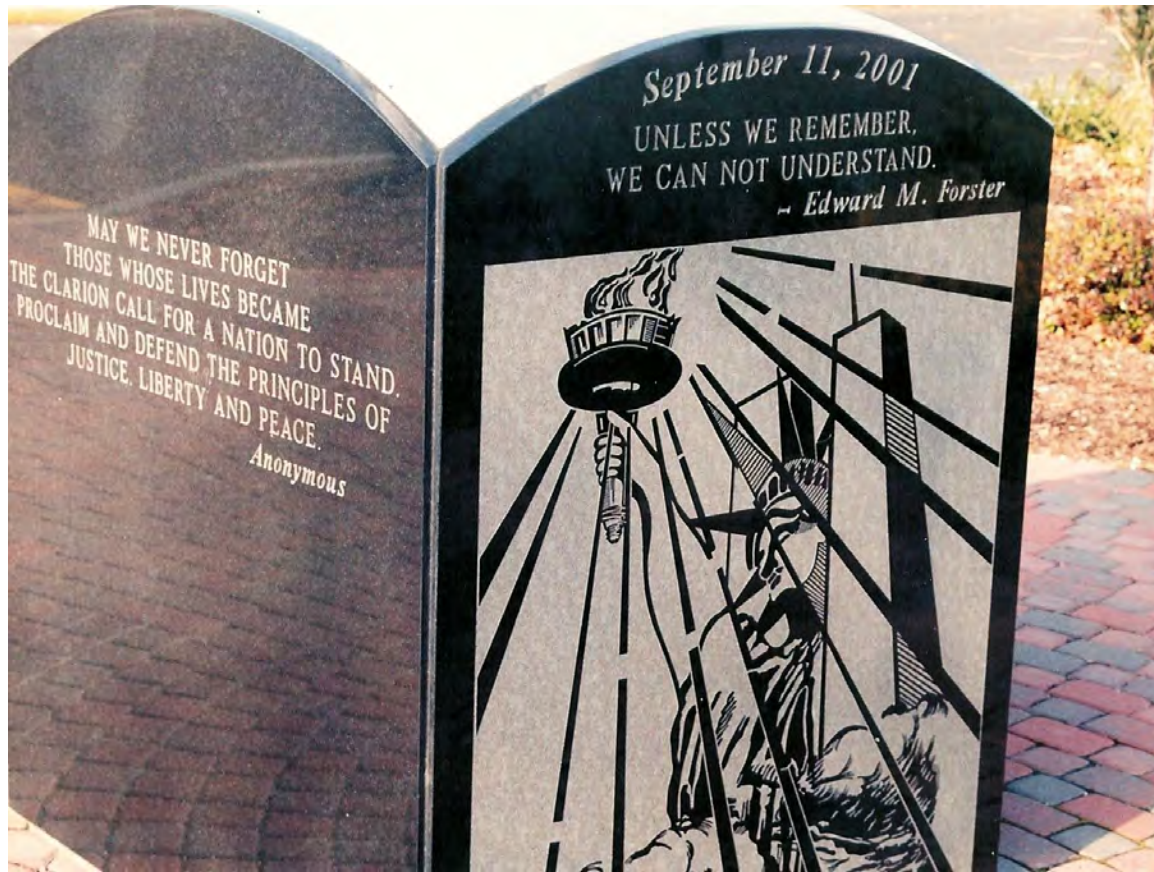


We exited the Glenbrook homes and headed up Division Avenue to pass by the high school.





Below is a memorial to honor those who died on 9/11



We then headed up to Jerusalem Avenue to pass the Junior High (Middle School)



Karen wanted to see her old house on Charles Street, so we headed east on Old Country Road to the first left past the elevated tracks. We went to 32 Charles Street...



We headed back to Old Country Road this time heading westbound. We went to Broadway and turned right heading toward St. Ignatius.

**St.
Ignatius
Church**



The shot below is just past the church. In the distance, the elevated train tracks are visible. The next block is Marie Street and Whelan drugs used to be on the north corner on the right.



BROADWAY LOOKING NORTH

A closer look you can see a Sign A Rama occupying that space today.



BROADWAY AT E. MARIE LOOKING NORTH

Back in the day (1910), Henry Huettner's store was where Sign A Rama is now. Notice the structure above the store. Hasn't really changed in 101 years.



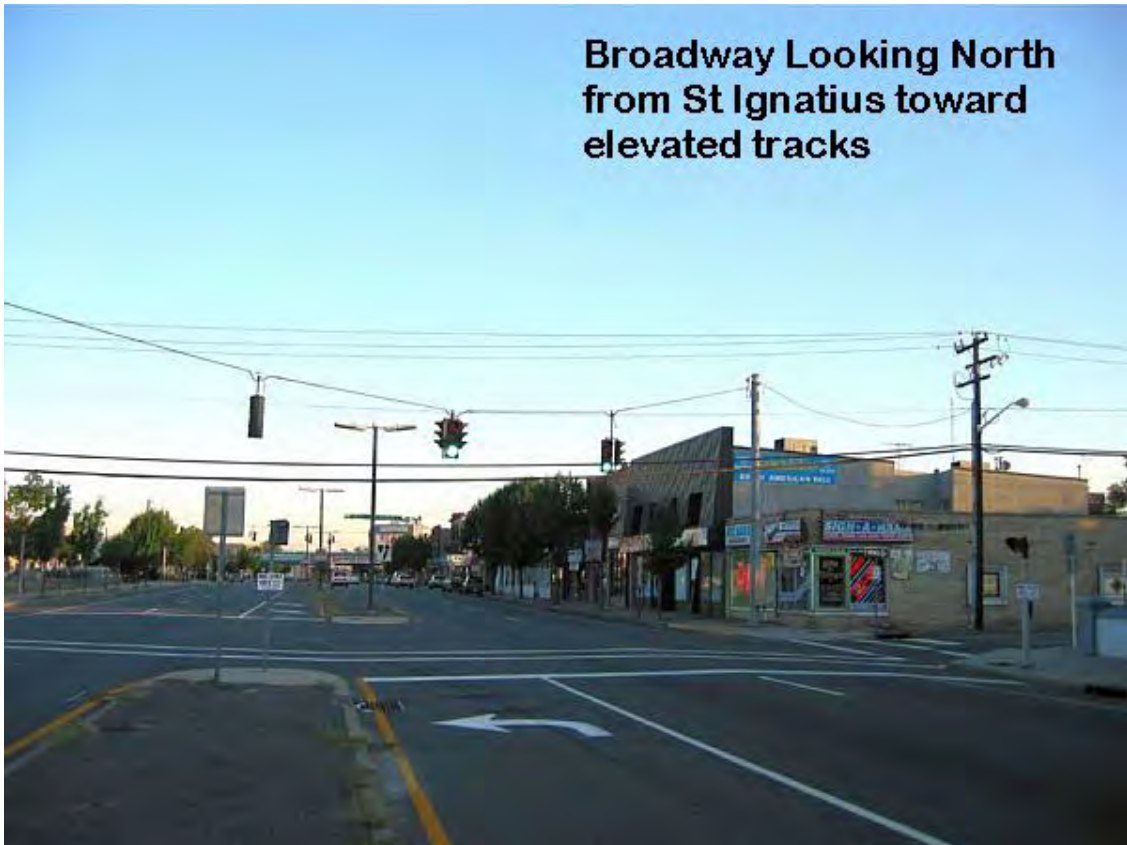
Below is a mural that's mounted on a wall inside TD Bank on Broadway



**Broadway Looking
South from St Ignatius
toward Old Country
Road**



**Broadway Looking North
from St Ignatius toward
elevated tracks**



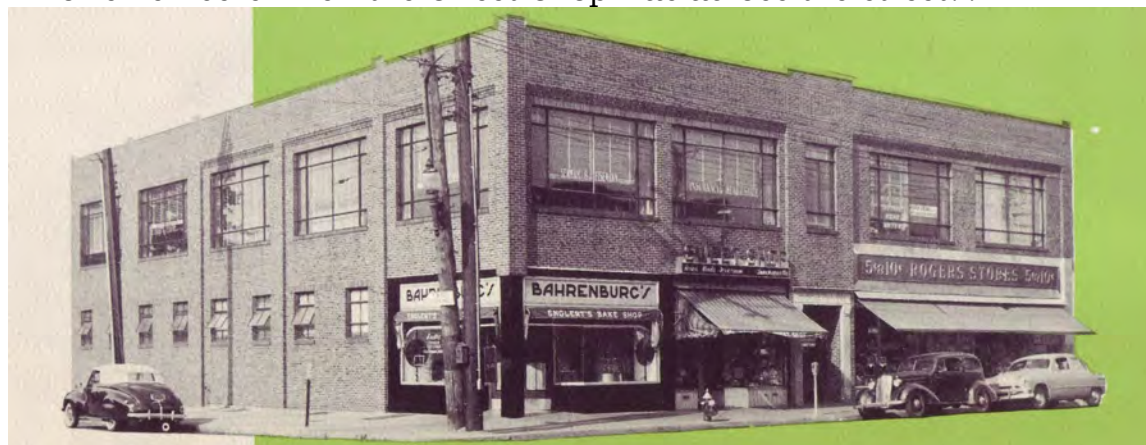
We drove down Bay Avenue and checked out Sears and Mid Island Plaza (Broadway Mall).



Then we headed to the Sweet Shop for lunch.



Who remembers when the Sweet Shop was across the street??



FLASHBACK



HICKSVILLE
1961 - 2004
HIGH SCHOOL

We missed our 40 Year Reunion for reasons unknown. Mary O' along with Bill Canham, Lillian Manzo, Mike Bisaccio and Bob Casale formed a committee that coordinated the "off year" reunion.

The Party Before The Party

DELANEYS

People Arriving at
Delaneys

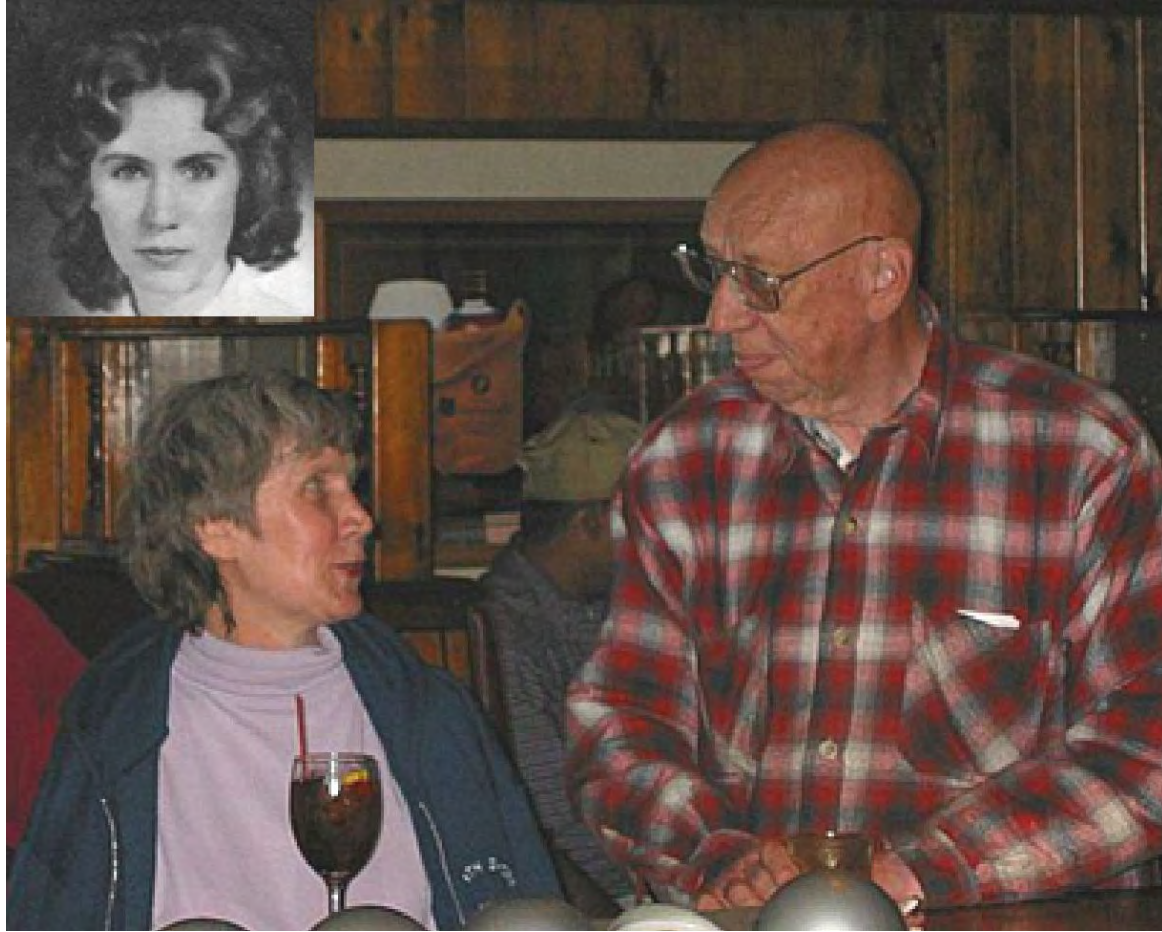




Nancy North Park



Clara Murgola Wulfken and Joe Wulfken arrived at Delaneys in style...



Ed and Mary Ann Delaney invited all those arriving on Friday before the formal reunion on Saturday to their restaurant, "Delaneys." The buffet was incredible and everyone enjoyed sharing time together.



Then we had our reunion on Saturday at the Holiday Inn at Plainview





Barbara Skuza Eileen O'Halloran Sue Schwartz



Janet Emery Eileen O'Halloran Elaine Krauss











The above photos were from 2004. It is now 2011, so we headed to the Marriott for the Friday early arrivers for the “50 Year Reunion.” We were looking forward to the get together at the Lounge scheduled for 7pm.



Into the lobby looking for some alumni arriving early



Some of the reunion committee making
Last Minute preparations



Ann Cassese * Diana Urena * Vin Luna * Mary O'Shaughnessy



Jim Aragoncillo Linda Mastrosanti Aragoncillo Bill Canham Volena Henningsen



Larry & Noreen Obracanik * Bill & Rita Canham

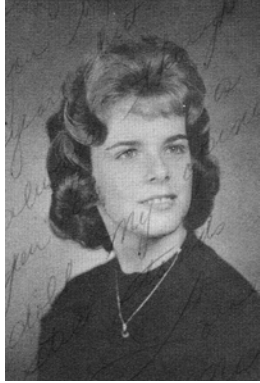
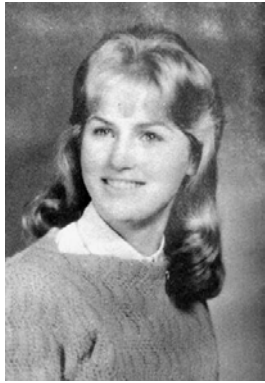


Pat Hunchick

Ginny Kolenik

Mary O'

Elaine Kraus

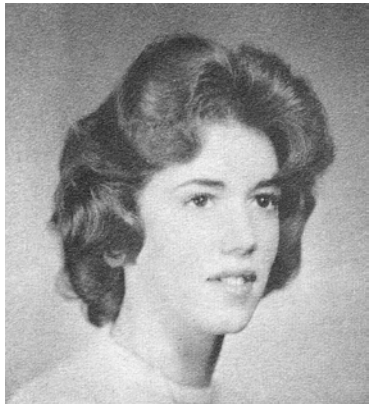




Bunny Reid

Bonnie Scharr

Diana Urena



Friday evening, those who checked in and others who lived in the area headed to the Lounge

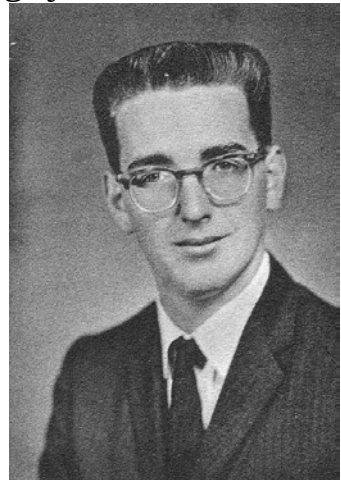
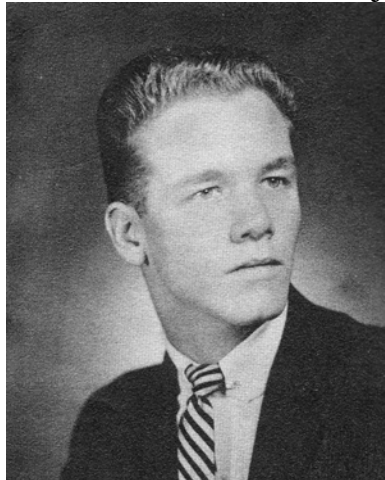


Anne Marie Romano





Ed Delaney * Larry Anton * John Bagley



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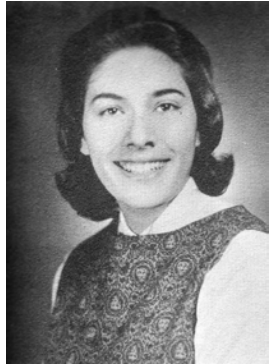


Roberta Martello * Lorraine Martello Vito * Ed Vito





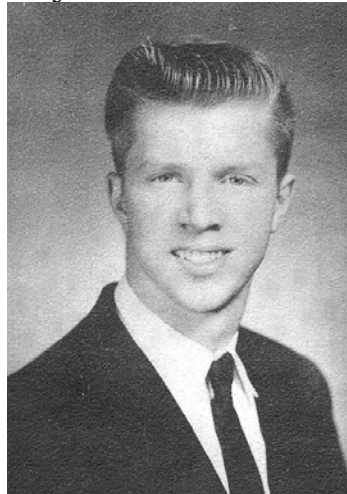
Rozanne Ehardt * Volena Henningsen * Ann Samoray * Sue Schwartz





Gerry & Merrilee Collock

Ginny & Richie Romanek



On Saturday, many lingered around the hotel exchanging stories.
Then it was banquet night.



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**Bob &
Ronnie Berger**





Janet & Fred Probst

Frank & Deborah Hudak





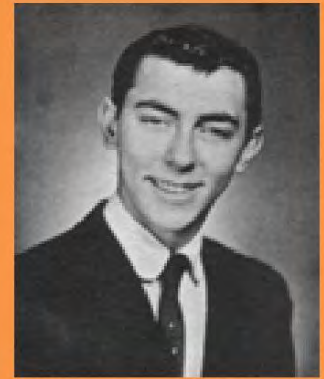


Fran
Wallach
Gallo
&
Frank
Gallo

Lynn Olson



Gerry Barnett

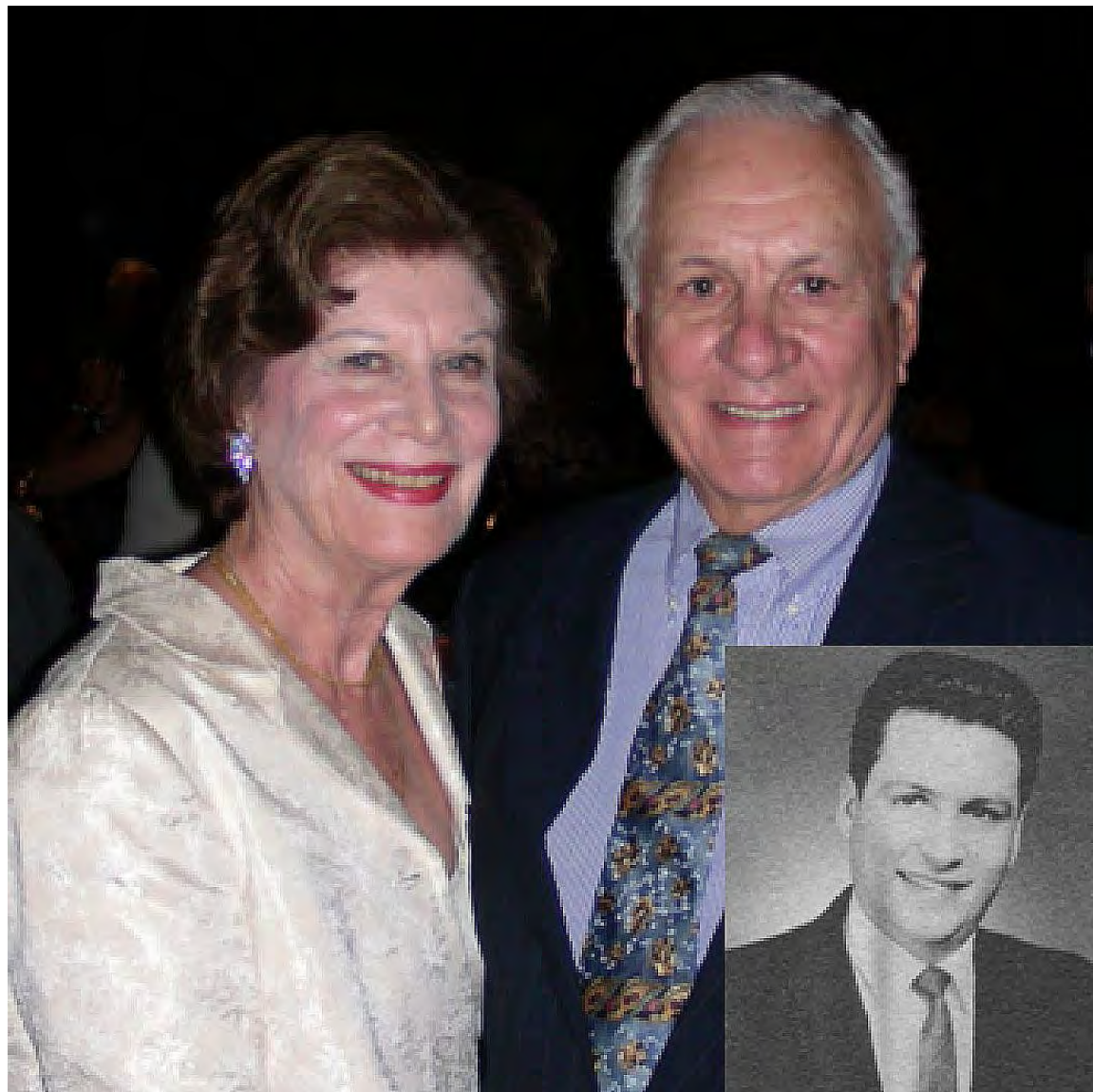
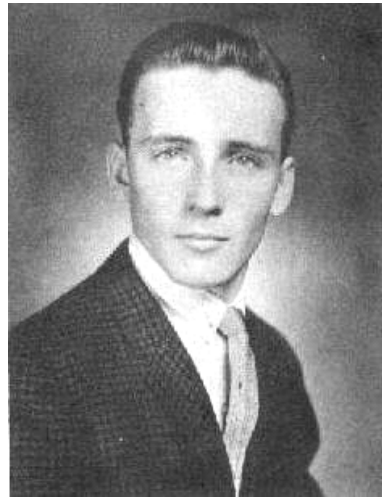




Ronnie Gilson Birk & Bob Birk



Regina & Gerry Gilson



Above are Mrs. And Mr. Nick Muratore



Above are Mrs. And Mr. Joe Giambalvo



Joan Carbonaro
Wetzel
&
Bruce Wetzel



Richie & Mary Penndorf



Bonnie Scharr * Bob Casale * Barbara Governale



Arnie Klingenberg Maureen Thogode



Pat Lyons & Georgette Lyons



Barbara Zaccanigni is Ira Fenig's Significant Other

Lew with Linda Pravata

Ira Fenig Lew Fenigstein



**Ann
Colascione
Sings
For
Us**



Governale

Gallahue



Fran Digilio

Al Lepis

Hank Guerra



Joyce Asaro

Barbara Weber



Mike Seltz



Joe Grimm



Frank Schwartz



Virginia Dalia * Carol Neglia * Bonnie & Bob Cooper



Vin LoCicero



Rich Zwirblis



Rich Simpson

Candid Shots throughout Friday & Saturday





BAGLEY



CIERSKI



DALIA



FRAWLEY



CLEMENZ

FRANK



SCHWARTZ



DEMATEO







Volena with Eric Fairchild











Pat Remsen



The reunion committee did a terrific job in creating a tremendous atmosphere that all could enjoy casually. The accommodations were extremely comfortable and the staff at Marriott did everything possible to make our reunion a total success. The food was terrific. A gesture engineered by Howie Zuckerman culminated when a plaque was presented to the committee acknowledging their long and arduous adventure as coordinators of a major event. They did it...they pulled it off! A copy of the plaque is presented below.



TO: 50TH Hicksville High School Reunion Committee

Diana Urena Carasa - Chairperson

Ann Cassese Costantino

Dennis Naso

Vincent Luna

Mary O'Shaughnessy

Pam McAlarney DeBias

Pat Robb Haupt

Special thanks also to Bob Casale,
Ed Giannelli and Rosa Szendy.



We wish to gratefully and respectfully acknowledge
the efforts and time that our friends and classmates
have extended to make this 50th high school reunion
such a wonderful, exciting and memorable event.

PRESENTED BY: THE CLASS OF 1961
HICKSVILLE SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

THIS 17TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2011 ISLANDIA MARRIOTT - ISLANDIA, NEW YORK



**Breakfast Sunday Morning (It was at the Marriott buffet)
No special arrangements were made...
the procession continued for hours.**





















It's so hard to say good-bye. Below is a parting shot but that doesn't mean this is the end of those photos. There are many more that will be presented in subsequent newsletters. Please comment when you see the results.



Virginia Schmidt



Doris Fischman



Bob Casale