

CELEBRATE

PEGGY CORNWELL PARTEN-JABR

Celebrate being born in Washington, D.C. to a loving but rowdy home with three older siblings.

Celebrate enjoying the National Zoo, Smithsonian, watching fireworks at the Monument and smelling the cherry blossoms in the Spring.

Celebrate moving to Orlando in 1956 when my parents remarried after 11 yrs and being able to ride my bike everywhere.

Celebrate attending St Charles, even though we lived miles away close to the Air Force Base and meeting Paula, Pat and Margie and their families. Pat I still remember you on the roof ready to jump in to a pile of dirt in your driveway. I didn't live on Arthur Ave., but I sure spent many fun filled days over there.

Celebrate being fortunate enough to attend Bishop Moore getting a good education and making wonderful friends will save these stories for when we are all together.

Celebrate marrying a Naval Flight Officer in 1965 and the opportunity to live in Monterey Beach, CA, Norfolk, VA, Oak Harbor, WA and Honolulu Hawaii.

Celebrate driving alone across the US more times than I can count from Seattle to Orlando, with many points in between. no cellphone or plastic money. I must have been crazy. Once the kids and the dog came along, they made the journeys' too, while husband was aboard ship for 10-12 months at a time

Celebrate two beautiful children Kurt, born in Carmel, CA Computer Software Engineer in Dallas, currently working for Southwest, Rachael adopted 1973 Tacoma, WA, She works for HP in Chantilly, VA as a Program Manager for the Navy USMC Intranet Contract

Celebrate FRESH STARTS We divorced in 1984 and I became a single Mom. Fortunately, I had gotten both a Securities and Real Estate Broker license in Hawaii which kept the wolves from the door. Interest rates skyrocketed from 11-22%.

Celebrate Summers the kids were with their Dad. After work I was able to swim in the surf off Diamond Head and share drinks with the likes of Tom Selleck, Diana Ladd, (not often)...You never knew who might be at the club.

Celebrate moving to Mesa, AZ, and staying out of bankruptcy from a not so wise real estate investment. Lost a lot of money, but learned some valuable lessons and survived to fight another day. Kurt and Rachael both graduated from UA.

Celebrate taking a job in Perth, Australia working for a Palestinian International Entrepreneur and his family

Celebrate Rachael received a Music scholarship to attend high school in Perth.

Celebrate living on the beach, with only sand between us and the Indian Ocean

Celebrate visiting Singapore, London, Spain, Denmark, Germany, Greece, Taiwan, Philippines, Australia, New Zealand, Hong Kong and realizing how blessed we are to live in USA.

Celebrate meeting my second and last husband Rizik Jabr in 1986

Celebrate getting married in 1989 and inheriting four wonderful stepchildren Joyce¹⁹, Vivianne¹⁸, Hani¹⁴ and Rima¹¹ - all living at home with us.

Celebrate all the kids out of UNI and living on their own and Rizik & I moving back to the states in 1994 and deciding what wonderful city to call home. First time for him....he was born in Palestine and built oil refineries in the Middle East. If you want to talk history, he's your guy. Not so easy leaving the kids behind. Joyce owns a Solar company, Viv is an HR specialist, Hani Financial Computer software manage and Rima a stay at home Mom.

Celebrate settling down in Houston in 1995-WOW, neither of us have ever lived in the one city this long.

Celebrate Rizik surviving several major health scares. I have decided he is has the 9 lives of a cat, that is the only thing to explain it. He has certainly outlived the Doctors predictions.

Celebrate moving my Mom and stepdad from Oak Harbor to live with us until they both went home to God in 2011.

Celebrate 6 grandchildren in Australia, 2 in VA Proudest moment when my stepson named his first child after me.

Celebrate SKYPE and the internet so the family can all stay in touch.

Celebrate 2013 I can still walk two miles a day in the great outdoors, listening to the birds and feeling the warmth of the sun.

Celebrate 25 years as a successful REALTOR and I still loving it as much as the day I started.

Celebrate reconnecting with Diane DiPaolo Anderson. She came to Houston last year, hadn't changed a bit...still the lovely lady as always.

CELEBRATE I WILL SOON SEE MANY DEAR FAMILIAR FACES, FEELS LIKE GOING HOME TO FAMILY.

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