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My life since graduating from Ohio Wesleyan:

Upon graduating, I attended Purdue University with a research assistantship for my MS. At Purdue, I concentrated on academics and met my husband Joe, as a friend. When I graduated, I became engaged to OWU boyfriend, Mitchell McCrate. We moved to Syracuse, New York, and I obtained a Sales position with Xerox. While at Xerox, I trained at the Xerox International Center For Sales Training. After Mitch and I separated, I left Xerox and married Joe on the rebound. For our honeymoon, Joe and I drove to Redondo Beach, California, and bought a house with an ocean and city lights view. Louise Watkins was born there, a mature baby and child. For work, I taught speed reading and sold briefly for Minolta Corporation before moving to Kalamazoo, Michigan. In Kalamazoo, John was born, my worker boy. Then Andrew was born, my actor boy. During these child raising years, I taught high school English. Instead of finishing graduate school for my PHD, I needed to help govern our family real estate and investment business. Now this business has been split, so I am managing my part as Design For The Mind, LLC. Happily, I have five grandchildren and volunteer for Rotary. Visit us at Gull Lake to sail!

Memories I cherish from Ohio Wesleyan:

Upon leaving Hathaway Brown Boarding School where most girls then attended Ivy League colleges, I was ready to distress. But instead of liberal arts classes, perhaps I should have focused on, for me, the more challenging sciences. Joining Kappa Kappa Gamma, I had fun my Freshman year with Panhellenic events. Several summers ago, a group of these sorority girls visited our Gull Lake home for the weekend. My sophomore year I meet Mitchell McCrate, who I dated for six years. Junior year, I was elected Figi Pig Queen was serenaded with gifts, while being carried from Smith Hall to the Figi House

A professor I will always remember and why:

Libby Reed, top notch English teacher. We were invited into her home to take exams!

How Ohio Wesleyan influenced my life:

OWU is where I grew from a child into a young adult. In a caring environment, I experienced freedom for the first time. Being a small school, the good and bad thing is everyone knows each other. But for me knowing everyone gives me security and accountability. Not being a drinker, I went to parties and watched some people become inebriated. So I learned not to overindulge. As a Sophomore, I witnessed a student be expelled from school for repeatedly cheating. So I learned not to cheat. As a Sophomore, I knew students who were not invited back due to their academic record, reminding me to study.