

The road has been long and many wonderful memories. It started on Southside Easton 419 West St. Joseph Street and Stephens Elementary. In the 4<sup>th</sup> grade Ferry street downtown between Walnut and 7<sup>th</sup> street and Franklin school. Then came the milestone move to 2411 Birch Street and Liberty elementary for 5<sup>th</sup> grade in Wilson Borough. The Liberty Elementary are was awesome. A lot of good times and fun. Played a lot of sandlot football and a baseball type game us kids called Fast Ball played with a rubber ball. And in the summer time, Liberty playground opening up run by Frank Martinez. He was a fun guy with his wild stories of a champion quoit player name Johnny Nicodemus.

The area was full of characters. There was BEVO Walters(I never knew his first name, we just called him BEVO), Frank (VADA) Rutoski. We called him VADA because his love for Vada Pinson of the Cincinnati Reds, Tom(WERWOLM) Lohman(called that because of his big front teeth),David (SEEK) Sechrist, Jack Webster, The Mertz brothers(Jim, Tom and Don(dune)),Bill Slifer,Jim Allem, Lloyd Kramer, Danny Mcpeek, Ronnie Piperata(PIP), Teddy Banko, Richard CAL Kruger, Bob Chandler, John Teaman, Dave Terzino,George Morris, Bob Conroy, Dale (DUPE) Dubar, John Gier, Billy Banko, Mike Shoneberger, Glenn Todd, Gary Earles, Doanald Shive, Scott Mannix, Danny Mannix, Guy Roof. Then there was an ex southsider that lived on my block when I lived there Rodney Nace. Other names from the Liberty area Richard Bath, John Strouse, Gary Hersch, Roger Cupp, Sam Pidale, Brian Frantz, Ronald Mcpeek,Jim Flagg, Mickey Snyder, Bobby (Lil Herk) Frankenfield, Richard Burgio, Barry Burgio, David Sestak,John Apgar, Billy Streeter. The Girls from the Librty area I remember are Nancy Warner, Cheryl Eastman, Judy laubach, Beverly Trinkley, Carolyn Cairoli, Sandy Allem, Carol Maloney, Rosalee (posy) Gibbs, Linda Smart, Carolyn Rader, Lois Yeager, Barbara Flagg, Susan Flagg, Jackelyn Webster, Jackelyn Streeter, Donna Drake, Kathy Shannon, Gwyn Koplín, Peggy Marzen, Anita Marzen, Cookie Bishop, June Powell, Barbara Serfass, Rayette Hulziser,Kathy Fisher, Carol Gibbs , Violet Gibbs. This was my grade school memories.

Now it was time to move on to Wilson High School. It was a real trip a whole slew of new people. Became friends with Dominick Murgia and walked to school with him everyday after hanging out at his father's business The Butler Street garage for about an hour. Through Good Shepard Lutheran church Sunday School I got to know Lloyd Kramer, Ken Davey and Bill Weaver. Getting together with Bill Weaver to play basketball got to know Don Corky Remaly, Lee Swinsburgh, Barbara Bauchman, Judy Hays, Chris Schroder.

We were all saddened our junior year when Ron Kulcheski passed away. He succeeded in everything he did. He was starting end on Varsity football team as a sophomore, Basketball team, President of our class and a scholar.Our sophomore year was monumental also when John F Kennedy president of the United State was assassinated. As we were changing classes and I was going to Earth and SpaceScience class someone said to me. Did you hear Kennedy got shot? It never hit me. I thought they meant underclassman Barry Kennedy. It did not dawn on me until the church bells began ring and I could see the flags going to half mast.We had off the next few days and all was glued to the TV. I always felt JFK was a good president especially when Bay of pigs happened and JFK said I screwed up!!!

Back in my high school days I was really shy but Wilson had many awesome girls. The ones I remember are Gail Walters, Pic Medlar, Lorrain Thompson, Cheryl Maynard, Linda Pettit, Lorraine Hay, Mona Robinson, Cheryl Eastman, Gail Higbee, Jean Acton, Carolyn Ackerman, Bonnie Nickolas, Rosmarie Mentessana, Sharon Illick, Dawn Frinzi,Denise Levan, Carolyn Neimiller, Sandy Allem, Linda Hildebrandt, Judy Laubach, Rosalee Gibbs, Carol Hunara, Betti Maleski , Candy Apple,Joy Pohlman, Lynn Conn and more from our class. From other classes there was Cheryl Landino, Dixie Miller, Bonnie Holmes, Donna Moser, Jo Ann Moser, Maria Altenbach, Cathy Krietz, Judy Angelo, Vivian Kellogg, Sue Ellen Kichline, Lois Yeager. There are just too many to name. Wilson definitely had its share of beauties!!!

The guys I remember Dominick Murgia, Wayne Voletto, Andy Murgia, Gary Trigianni, Paul Vfliet, Terry Lee, Lloyd Kramer, Ken Davey, Gary Rauschman, Larry Shire(Benji), Barry Coleman, Jay Rutan, Bill Weaver, Lee Swinsburg, Doug Lohman, Gary Banko, Billy Banko, Dave Sechrist, Jim Allem, Bill Slifer, Andy Fimiano, Jimmy Mertz, Tom Mertz, Don Mertz, Don Corky Remaley, Norman Wolfinger, Greg Williams, Bill Steckel, Don Aber, Bob Conroy, Gary hersch, John Strouse, Dave Terzino, John Apgar, Les Pector, Wayne Misero, Wayne Yeisley, Danny Mcpeek, Rodney nace, Ron Piperato, and many more.

I Have been all over the coutry contracting in my field and I have yet to see a high school that can compare to Wilson High in Easton Pa. It made me realize what a good education I had. And to this day I appreciate all the tips Thomas Burke gave in his public speaking class. I have done classes, presentations and demos and always refer back to what Mr. Burke taught me. He has been a big part of my success!!! We had a lot of SUPER teachers Gil Carney, Louis Cardell, Frank Martinez, Wayne Grube, Lorraine Stueber, Carlton Berger, Mr. Klinger and many more but these were the ones I had. Although I left in 1978 and have not been back Wilson will always be my home. It was unfortunate but I had to leave the Lehigh Valley because ir was backwards in the computer industry and if I would have stayed, I would never had achieved the success that I have achieved.

I have mentioned a lot of names and am sorry if I missed yours but there is always so many that no one can remember them all especially over 50 years worth...so I apologize to any one I missed. It has been a long road and not over yet, No matter where I am or what I am doing my memories drift back to the good times at WHS in Easton Pa.!!!