

Dear Joyce and Plains High friends,  
I want to thank you for letting me know about Vernie's passing. He was a great friend. It is so sad to think that we have lost so many of our school friends. I regret that I have not been in touch with most of you is such a very long time. With no family closer to Plains than Betty, who lives in Minneapolis, Kansas and Wayne in Claremore, Oklahoma I don't get to the Southwest anymore. I still live in Kenner, a suburb of New Orleans, La. I just decided to "step out of the classroom environment" this spring. I have taught fifth grade math at Newman, a private school in New Orleans, for 32 years and in an all boys school for 19 years prior to that. I have been extremely busy tutoring math to third, fourth, fifth, and rising sixth graders this summer. In a couple of weeks I will assume a new part time position of Math Specialist in the lower school at Newman. I will be working three half days , Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, each week. In my free time I will do private tutoring. It will be great to have four day week ends to travel and do the things I have not had time to do in such a long time. I say this, but if I stay as busy this fall as I have been this summer, I don't know how much playing I will get to do. I have really enjoyed having the opportunity to work with children these many years and cannot imagine not being able to continue to work with them.

God has been good to me by blessing me with good health, a wonderful family, and many caring and loving friends. My daughter Debbie lives in the Boston area and my son Al lives in Marietta, Ga. Debbie's two children are married and both live in Chicago. Al's daughter lives in New Orleans. I will become a great-grandmother for the first time in October.

If any of you travel south and are in the New Orleans area please let me know. *I always have a spare bed or two and would love to have the opportunity to visit.*

*Stay well and let me hear what is happening in your lives and those of our friends and classmates.* Kenny, hang in there. Keep positive and know that our prayers are for you to have a speedy recovery and return to good health.

Fondly,

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I have just learned to Skype. Do any of you Skype? I am tutoring a child who is spending the summer in Colorado and needed tutoring so-o-o I agreed to give it a try. Amazingly, it is working quite well.

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