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My life has been filled with many blessings over the last 50 years. After attending SDUSD, I began my career as a teacher and what a career it was! Thirty-six years of rewarding experiences and memories—never did I look upon it as a job. Although I stepped out of the classroom for a few years as a peer coach, I always felt my place was in the classroom with kids. I retired five years ago, but I’m still working at Torrey Pines Elementary two and a half days a week as a support teacher. It has been a delightful transition period. I have co-authored three educational books for teachers which was the most difficult task of my life, but very rewarding. Mr. Higby would be so proud! For 23 years I have been married to Neil (class of 64) and we have four incredible children—no grandchildren—that will all come in time. It seems like our kids are late bloomers in that department. Our kids are our most important assets and we take great pride in their accomplishments and endeavors. I have dabbled in several hobbies—volunteering at the La Jolla Visitor Center, “pretending” to play golf, cooking, socializing with friends, exercising, and shopping. Neil and I have enjoyed several cruises and road trips and plan to continue that in the future. I was fortunate as a child to have visited most of the 50 states in the United States and love to experience the beauty that we have within our borders, especially in a car. Road trips are my favorite mode of travel. I have wonderful memories of my years at Helix. It is surprising how four years of high school has such lingering memories that impact us throughout our lives.

