

Hi Class of 1957!

My name is Elsie (Maestas) Mangum. I am excited about attending the 50th Anniversary of the Class of 1957.

First, I want to write a little about my life since high school. I'll start off with what my life is like now, and then go back to 1957. I am married to Jim Mangum, have three sons and three grandchildren. Jim and I are now retired and live in Reno, NV.

Back to 57'...

I was born and raised in Tucumcari, went to school until my Jr. year. I didn't graduate in Tucumcari. I married Robert SanMiguel. He was in the Air Force and stationed in Wyoming where I joined him until he left for duty in London for eighteen months. After London, we made our home in Bangor Maine. We had two sons and were married for ten years before we divorced. I moved back to Tucumcari, worked at Sands Dorsey, and 66 Drug Store.

My life then took a turn in 1968 when I married Jim Mangum and moved away. I lived in places like California, on the beautiful Colorado River, Wyoming, Arizona, Las Vegas Nevada, and Texas. Jim and I had a son in 1970. In 1974, the mining industry became our career. We moved where the job took us. It was quite an adventure moving and working throughout the Wild West, and in international places like Irian Jaya (Indonesia) and Africa. The job made it where we were able to

visit Hawaii, Bali, Australia, and Canada. All this came to an end in 1996 when we left Africa and made our home in Reno, Nevada.

We are now enjoying our golden years. It's been a good life. Before I finish I just want to say that, during my life with hubby Jim, I got involved in sports. After all, with three sons...how could I not? I played a lot of tennis from 1972 to 1995. I hiked the mountains of Wyoming and the Sierras of California, including Mt. Whitney. One of my highlights other than my children and grandchildren was living in the jungles of Irian Jaya and learning the culture of the primitive natives. I never thought I'd live in such an exotic place on the other side of the world.

Well Class of 57', when we meet at the reunion, let's see what happens. I know I want to go down memory lane; should be fun. Thanks for taking time to hear of Elsie Mangum.

See you in August.

Can't Wait!

Elsie