



**Nancy Ford Baker:** Born: in 1940 Toledo, Ohio  
Status: Single, Retired  
Residence: LaQuinta, Ca.  
Whitmer Panther – 1958

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**ABOUT ME:**

Upon graduation from Bowling Green State University, I taught in the Toledo elementary school system for six months before accepting a teaching position in the San Bernardino, California Unified School District. I taught in the elementary level for fourteen years. I took time off then to earn my Master's degree in Administration/Counseling in order to add to my life-time teaching certificate. After being married nearly twenty years I relocated alone to the Palm Springs area.

From March, 1988 until my retirement in January, 2005, I worked as an Administrator/Education Programs Consultant in a privatized correctional prison facility in Desert Center, Ca. My primary responsibility as head of the Education Department Programs was to design and implement training for adult male inmates. Many success stories were realized as a result of our departments endeavors.

Though I had no children of my own, I became warmly connected to my students and hold many fond memories of that experience. I enjoy being in the company of good friends, occasional gaming & entertainment at the local casinos, sampling interesting restaurant cuisine, and especially enjoy evening sunsets and starry skies from the patio of my new home in the desert. One might even find me chasing the "blue light" at a nearby Wal\*Mart, or attempting a West Coast Swing at one of our local Country Clubs. However, I prefer iced tea to the 7<sup>th</sup> tee! My faith continues to sustain me, and certainly carried me through the last months of my mother's life.

**REMEMBERING WHITMER HIGH:**

Though I have not kept close contact with my classmates at WHS, the recent phone calls, e-mails, and cards that I have received is a reminder of the friendliness, caring, and loyalty of both the students and staff at WHS. According to my friends, the quote beneath my class picture holds true even today: NEVER A DULL MOMENT WHEN NANCY'S AROUND.

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