



Rosalie Kucera Alar: I graduated from Whitmer High School in 1958. I was born in October 1940.

After high school I attended the University of Toledo, earning a degree in secondary education. I taught English at Washington Junior High School my first year.

In 1964 I married Charles (Buck) Alar who had graduated from Catholic Central (Monroe, MI), spent four years in the Marine Corps and was attending Eastern Michigan when we married.

Our first move was to Dearborn Heights, Michigan where I continued my teaching career in Allen Park (North Jr. High) and Buck took an engineering position with GM upon graduation.

In 1967 our daughter Pam was born, followed in 1969 by our son Chris. At this point in time I became a “stay at home” mom as Buck traveled quite extensively.

Job transfers with GM took us to Salt Lake City (4 years) and Holly, MI (6 years). Then we moved to Monroe, MI for 17 years. During this time Pam attended Ida High School and Monroe Community College, earning a business degree. She and husband Brian have two children - Brian Jr. and Andrea. They reside in Ida, Michigan.

Chris attended his father’s alma mater and then earned a degree in environmental engineering from the University of Toledo, followed by an MBA from Michigan. He ran his own engineering recruiting firm in Charlotte, N.C. for several years.

When Chris entered college I decided to return to the work force part time and taught special education, as the need was great. I found this to be a very challenging, but rewarding ten years of my life.

Time passed quickly. Buck and I are now retired, our grandchildren are teenagers and our son has made a significant change in his career. He has answered a strong calling to the priesthood and just completed his second year in the seminary. He resides in Washington, D.C.

We now live in Tecumseh, MI – A small, quiet, historic town. Buck and I enjoy boating, fishing, entertaining and also belong to several volunteer organizations.

My Favorite Memory of Whitmer High: Being in the Whitmer Circus each year and making ladders in my senior year. Another memory is my senior volleyball gym class winning the school championship and then beating the teachers.

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