



Classmate Questionnaire – 50 Years

Fifty years!! How can that be? This questionnaire will be used to update our classmates on our journeys through life. Please provide the following information for our 50th reunion website directory. Return electronically by August 1, 2026 to admin@1976sjhsmanassas.com. In an effort to mitigate any risks associated with adding this information to our SJHS Class of 1976 website, we ask that answers be in a generic format. Please note: if there is information you would like to not be included online, please leave blank.

First and Last Name, previous names and nicknames: Cindy Newman
City and state of current residence (skip specific street address): Morrisville, NC
The quick update – where has life taken you in the last 50 years? (A brief 2-3 sentence summary of your journey): Since 1976, there was college, multiple career changes (teacher, construction estimator, software implementation) and finally retired in 2023. Married twice, divorced twice with 2 kids and 2 grandsons, all in the Raleigh area. Currently living with my 'significant other' of 11 years, James, who is also retired.
Your passions and free time (What hobbies, interests or volunteering activities keep you busy?): I find it hard to fit time in my schedule for everything I enjoy doing. Learned to play pickleball several years ago and enjoy that when it's not too hot or cold. Also like to sew and do other crafts, play cards and games, travel, and go to shows and concerts. I volunteer at a local theater, so I get to see a lot of shows for free.
Favorite memories and milestones (A favorite life experience or adventure): There are a LOT, but the most memorable was a long road trip that James and I took in 2025. It took us through 19 states over 30 days and we logged over 6200 miles on my Subaru. Our stops included the National Quilt Museum in Paducah, KY, the Gateway Arch in St. Louis, Badlands and Mt. Rushmore in S.D.,

Rocky Mountain National Park, a couple presidential libraries, and many other interesting sites.
What do you consider your greatest accomplishment in the last 50 years: Raising 2 kids who turned out to be self-sufficient, responsible adults.
Travels and Adventures (Share a few of the favorite places you've visited and/or any place still on you bucket list): Have been to many places in the US, Canada, Mexico, and the Caribbean, but have not made it to Europe or Asia yet.
Family Joy (If you'd like to share, tell us about your family make up, avoid specific names and ages due to privacy concerns): Parenting was hard, but being a grandparent is the best! I'm lucky to have my 2 grandsons close by and I take them places and do things with them often.
SJHS Flashback (Share a fun, general memory of our high school days): As a military family, we did not stay anywhere for very long, but high school was finally the place where I got to stay in the same school for 4 years. I enjoyed making new friends, going to football games, and participating in a variety of school activities.
Then vs. Now (share music/hobby you enjoyed in 1976 vs. what you enjoy now): Still listening to 70's rock music, but I've learned to appreciate other genres as well. Instead of basketball and tennis, I'm playing pickleball and hiking.
Message to our class (share anything else you'd like our classmates to know about you):
Are you planning to attend our 50th reunion on October 3, 2026? Yes

Attach current photo here:

