

## **A couple of the emails the committee received after the 40<sup>th</sup> Reunion.**

**From the desk of Dick Milnes**

Oct. 26, 1996

Dear Eleanor,

Friday and Saturday were indeed very interesting days for me. This is the first reunion I have attended of any kind since graduation in 1956, and I really had some mixed emotions going into this past weekend. Emotions like should I really take the time off, how will I catch-up on Monday, etc.

Fortunately for your persistence and that of the rest of the committee everything worked out and I did make it, although I did regretfully miss Sunday. I have to tell you, that 40 years is indeed a long time to be away and where we have all changed a lot in many ways we haven't changed or at least we are able to pick-up where we left off even if the memory embellishes some things and blanks out others. It was a great two days and a period I will not forget-to many fond memories. I want to thank you all again for the time, effort, hard work and talent you put into making the weekend really happen in such a class way. Everything from opening "Hello, my name is..." to the final "goodbye" was just exceptional. It was truly a magnificent weekend. You all are a very special group and without your efforts none of this would have been possible. THANKS!

*Note: Sadly we lost Dick in April of 2003*

**From Suzanne Staples Spanier**

November 6, 1996

Dear Reunion Committee: (in Care of Sonia)

Please forgive the word-processor note. My mother would be embarrassed for me! But, it is already 9:30, we have just finished our dinner, and I have things I must prepare for tomorrow. Please share with your co-conspirators.

I just wanted to let you know what a good time we had Saturday evening, John remarked several times that he enjoyed it! Somehow, it went off better for my spouse that the previous one – weird! I was just sorry I couldn't have come earlier and stayed later. There were some class-mates I saw only from across the room, others I would like to have chatted with, but didn't, and all too soon the evening ended. As it was, it after 1 AM when we reached Gainesville; and, I find I can't just keep going the way I used to.

It is apparent from the booklet you put together, the tasteful little remembrances, etc. that you all went to a lot of work. Please know that it was appreciated.

We had a splendid time, and thank you for your hard work and creativity.

Fondly,

Suzanne (Staples)