

The Gardners in 1982: Isaac Newton Gardner (1851-1909) and Nancy Ellen Williams (1856-1887) had Gilham, Elsie, Williams, Lena, and Charles.

Gilham (1875-1954) and Verda Machlan (1881-1936) had Orville, Leona, Doyle, and Merle.

Orville and Vera Lee had Orville, Twyla, Donald, Kay, Phillip, and David.

Orville and Beverly Stevenson had Larry, Steven, and Carol.

Larry and Susan Eves had Elizabeth, Amy, and James.

Twyla and Norris Davis had Denny, Ricky, and Denise.

Denny and Rosemary Foust had Melissa, Michael, and Jill.

Donald and Phyllis Reynolds had Donald and Ray.

Kay and James Johnson had James, Kendal, Cheryl, Brian, and Kyle.

James and Mary Kinsey had Jamie.

Cheryl and Joseph Shutt had Christina, Linda, and Joseph.

Phillip and Janet Shrader had Susannah and Phillip.

David and Martha Roman had Julie, Seth, and Ginger.

Leona and William Van Sant had Richard, Judith, and Lana.

Richard and JoAnn Davis had Richard, William, and Martin.

Judith and Richard Easley had Jeffrey and Shawn.

Lana and Gabriel Parodi had Aldina.

Doyle and Irene Wright had Terry.

Merle and Dorothy McCollister had Russell, Gary, and Randy.

Russell and Elizabeth Miller had Edward, Stephen, and Rebecca.

Gary and Cynthia Algood had Brian and Rebekah.

Randy and Mary Thompson had Katie.

Elsie (1877-1960) and Fred Matheny (1870-1945) had Gilbert, Charles, Donovan, Anna Lois, and Dorothea.

Charles and Glen Ashby had Charles Jr., Jack, and Darlene.

Donovan and Ethel Filteau had Patricia and Nancy.

Anna was married to Howard Crate.

Dorothea and Art Kerr had Donna and Sandra.

Williams (1881-1950) and Jettie Short (1881-1973) had Lloyd, Dale, and Marie.

Lloyd and Clarice McGee had Carol, Nancy, Marie, and Mary.

Carol and James Green had Cheryl, Vicki, and Darwin;

Carol and second husband Daryl Paschall had Patti.

Cheryl was married to Tom West; they had Jessica.

Vicki was married to David Averbach.

Nancy and Stanley Saddoris had Cynthia, Craig, and Jeffrey.

Marie and Robert White had Gregory and Brenda.

Lawrence "Dale" and Helen Schaffer had Stanley and Dalene.

Stanley and Judy MacDonald had Jeffrey, David, Christopher, Virginia and Matthew;

Stanley is married to Nancy Raymond.

Jeffrey and Mary Jane Hall had Jessica and Rachel.

Marie and Ralph Kimmel had Susan.

Susan and Albert Sales had Nathan; Susan is married to Douglas Granner.

Lena (1882-1968) and Pearl L. Yates (1883-1958) had Louise, Wayne, and Pearl Eugene.

Louise was married to John Wilson.

Wayne was married to Eula Neff.

Eugene and Lela Schaffer had Nancy and Robert.

Nancy and Gerald Weekman had Thomas and James.

Robert and Rachel Creel had Jeffrey, Megan, and Cara.

Charles (1884-1965) and Ida "Meda" Robins (1888-1957) had William Roswell and raised Meda's niece, Annadell Cottrell (daughter of Arline Robins Cottrell).

William "Roswell" and Tressie Woods had Selma, Raymond, Richard, Shirley, Thomas, and Jewell.

Selma and Robert Wallace had Patti, Robert, and Beverly.

Robert and Brenda Coppick had Tony and Angela.

Beverly and Steven Romano had Benjamin.

Raymond and Beverly DeVore had Michael and Gary.

Shirley was married to Mervin Briggs.

Thomas was married to Eloise Porter.

Jewell was married to Donald Midthun.

Annadell and Frank Gonseth had Jon and Debra.

The Schaffers in 1982: George (1868-1934) and Alice Lewis (1873-1930) had Lloyd, Earl, Pearl, Harley, Louie, Gerald, Wilma, Lela, and Helen.

Lloyd (1893-1963) and Ethel "Chloe" Orr (1893-1972) had Burl, Donald, Vivian, Kenneth, Norman, Marian, and Robert.

Burl was married to Opal Mathis.

Donald and Opal Horton had Karen and Karyl.

Karen and Roger Stickler had Jan, Dawn, and Heather.

Karyl and Bradley Leeson had Shane and Chad.

Vivian and Wayne Hanson had Donavan.

Donavan and Sally Visser had David, Susan, and Daniel.

Kenneth and Doris Meyers had Larry, Linda, Roy, Jeffrey, and Steven.

Marian was married to Bob Mericle.

Robert and Dorothy Semenchuk had Craig, Lynn, Bruce, Judy, Peggy, and Drew.

Jonathan "Earl" (1895-1988) and Rouine Fleming (1897-1966) had Lester, Francis, and Max. Earl is married to Dorothy Elliott.

Lester and Ledell "Lee" Mitchell had Jennifer and Lance.

Francis and Lemuel Holmes had Connie and Ann.

Max and Norma Stoen had Julie.

Pearl "China" (1896-1963) was married to Mercedes "Cedar" Sutton (1899-?).

Harley (1898-1967) and Doris "Dot" Mitchell (1898-1975) had Keith and Eva.

Keith and Betty Akers had Anita.

Anita and Joe Reynolds had Laura.

Eva and Jerry Kelly had Michael, Michele, and Melanie.

Michael and Kathryn Blair had Gabriel, Cade, and Jordanna.

Michele and Mark Zaragoza had Neeli and Brooke.

Melanie and Kenneth Smith had Natalie.

Louie (1899-1975) and Ruth Cherington had Marvin and Margie.

Marvin and Fern Stevens had Susan, Tracy, and Scott.

Margie and John Nish had Ann and Cathy.

Ann and Jerry Smith had Jeremy and Misty.

Cathy and John Adair had Nikki and Cory.

Gerald and Ressia Bishop had Juanita, Carole, Judith, and Alice.

Juanita and Donald Bemis had Tonya, Jeffrey, Charles, Lisa, and David.

Carole and James Martin had Steven, Anthony, and Kathleen. Carole is married to Robert Leisinger.

Steven and Cindy Clayton had Chad; Steven marries Linda Knapp.

Judith and Leland Muhlenbruck had Kirk, Thomas, and Trent.

Alice and Jack Miller had Joshua and Jacob.

Wilma and George Casey had Larry; Wilma is married to "Mac" McFarland.

Larry and Irene Vanderlinden had John.

## Highlights of 1982

(Source: infoplease.com)

### WORLD EVENTS

- British forces overcome Argentina in Falklands war.
- Israel invades Lebanon in attack on PLO.
- Princess Grace, 52, dies of injuries when car plunges off mountain road; daughter Stephanie, 17, suffers serious injuries.
- Lebanese Christian Phalangists kill hundreds of people in two Palestinian refugee camps in West Beirut.
- Leonid Brezhnev, Soviet leader, dies at 75; Yuri Andropov, 68, chosen as successor.

## U.S. EVENTS

- John Hinckley, Jr., found not guilty because of insanity in shooting of President Reagan.
- Alexander M. Haig, Jr., resigns as Secretary of State.
- Equal Rights Amendment fails ratification.

## SPORTS

- Super Bowl: San Francisco defeats Cincinnati (26-21)
- World Series: St. Louis Cardinals defeat Milwaukee Brewers (4-3)
- NBA Championship: Los Angeles Lakers defeat Philadelphia 76ers (4-2)
- NCAA Basketball Championship: North Carolina defeats Georgetown (63-62)
- NCAA Football Champions: Penn State (11-1-0)

## ENTERTAINMENT AWARDS

- Academy Award, Best Picture: *Chariots of Fire* (The Ladd Co.; Warner Brothers)
- Academy Award, Best Actor: Henry Fonda, *On Golden Pond*
- Academy Award, Best Actress: Katherine Hepburn, *On Golden Pond*



- Emmy Award, Best Drama Series: *Hill Street Blues* (NBC)
- Emmy Award, Best Comedy Series: *Barney Miller* (ABC)
- Tony Award, Best Musical: *Nine*
- Grammy Award, Record of the Year: "Bette Davis Eyes," Kim Carnes
- Grammy Award, Song of the Year: "Bette Davis Eyes," Donna Weiss and Jackie DeShannon, songwriters

## ENTERTAINMENT EVENTS

- Michael Jackson releases *Thriller*, which sells more than 25 million copies, becoming the biggest-selling album in history.
- John Belushi dies of a drug overdose at age 33.
- *Cats* opens on Broadway, to become Broadway's longest-running play.

## MOVIES

- *E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial*, *Gandhi*, *Conan the Barbarian*, *Fanny and Alexander*, *Poltergeist*
- *First Blood*, *Diner*, *Class of 1984*, *Tootsie*, *Fast Times at Ridgemont High*

## SCIENCE

- A permanent artificial heart is implanted in a human for first time in Dr. Barney B. Clark, 61, at University of Utah Medical Center in Salt Lake City.
- The space shuttle *Columbia* makes its first mission, deploying two communications satellites.
- MRI (magnetic resonance imaging) diagnostic machines are introduced in Britain.
- Washington University in St. Louis develops the Flavr Savr tomato, the first genetically-engineered plant approved for sale.

## DEATHS

- John Belushi, actor and comedian; Ingrid Bergman, Swedish actress; Leonid Brezhnev, President, USSR; Grace Kelly, actress, Monaco princess; Satchel Paige, baseball pitcher



## Diary of Dale Gardner 1982

*As this diary from 1982 begins, Dale and Helen live at 624 North State Street, Osceola, IA. Their neighbors are Don and Virginia Cole to the north, Jay and Tina Wolfe to the south, and "T. J." and Lois Laing across the street. Stan and Nancy live in Aurora, OH, and Stan works at Standard Oil of Ohio in Cleveland. Dalene lives in Wheaton, IL, and works at Xerox Computer Services. Dale is 72 years old, Helen is 70, and they drive a 1978 Chevette but Dale trades it for a 1980 Pontiac LeMans.*

*After Helen's colon surgery in Minneapolis and Christmas with Jerry and Judy, Dale and Helen return to Osceola. They go back to Minneapolis for Helen's medical exams; she does not have Addison's disease and she has no thyroid problems. Helen and Dale drive to Wheaton to visit Dalene, and on to Cleveland to see Nancy and Stan, then back to Wheaton for several days, returning to Osceola. They make one more trip to Minneapolis in November for doctor appointments. Gus and Tom's restaurant is mentioned for the first time in this diary, replacing Mallot's, and itself to be replaced by Redman's in a few years.*

*A wave of terrorist attacks by Carlos the Jackal occurs in France. Israel returns the Sinai peninsula to Egypt. Disney's futuristic park EPCOT (Experimental Prototype Community Of Tomorrow) opens in Florida. Tylenol capsules laced with potassium cyanide kill 7 people in Chicago, which leads to tamper-proof packaging. A severe recession begins in the United States. The Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C., is dedicated. The first CD (Compact Disc) player is sold in Japan. The Weather Channel airs on cable television for the first time. The Times Man of the Year is The Computer. Notable births this year include Jessica Biel, Kelly Clarkson, Kirsten Dunst, Anne Hathaway, Apolo Anton Ohno, Danica Patrick, LeAnn Rimes, Andy Roddick, and Prince William.*

*Dale and Helen see many family members during the year, including Lela Yates; Wilma and Mac McFarland; Margie and Jack Nish; Cathy Adair; Keith Schaffer; Marie and Ralph Kimmel; Susan and Doug Granner and Nathan; Ruth Schaffer; Dorothy and Earl Schaffer; Francis Holmes; and Vivian and Wayne Hanson.*

Fri Jan 1 – In Mpls. Watched bowl games. Iowa got beat by Washington in the Rose Bowl. Helen's best day so far.

Sat Jan 2 – In Mpls. Snow all day. Helen & I took Jerry & Judy to lunch at a Big Boy restaurant at noon. Watched pro football on TV.

Sun Jan 3 – COLD in Mpls. 6° below to 3° above all day. Watched pro football in the afternoon. Helen is feeling good. Lela phoned.

Mon Jan 4 – Clear in Mpls. Took Helen to Drs. Canfield & Joestin & she can go home tomorrow. Phoned Wilma to tell her so.

Tue Jan 5 – Drove from Mpls to Osceola. Sunshine all the way. Dalene phoned at night.

Fri Jan 8 – Helen ate at Family Table today, first meal out since coming home. I wrote letters to Dorothea, Nettie, & Marose. Lela here.

Sat Jan 9 – Brought Helen's dinner home from Family Table. Watched Iowa beat Illinois in basketball.

Sun Jan 10 – 22° below zero, to 10° below, for high. COLD. Brought Helen lunch from Family Table. Stan phoned in the evening.

Mon Jan 11 – Dalene phoned at night from Cleveland.

Thu Jan 14 – Went to Margie's for books in the afternoon. Helen is getting better, 3<sup>rd</sup> day without pain pills.

Fri Jan 15 – Helen talked to Dalene & Judy in the evening.

Sat Jan 16 – Keith here in the afternoon to visit & bring Helen a gown as a hospital operation gift.

Wed Jan 20 – Looked through pictures for our open house. Judy phoned in the evening, they had 15 inches of snow today.

Sat Jan 23 – Watched college basketball in the afternoon on TV. Dalene phoned in the evening.

Sun Jan 24 – Stan & Nancy phoned about birthday cakes. Watched 49ers beat Bengals in the Super Bowl.

Fri Jan 29 – Cloudy, freezing rain last night, never saw the streets more slippery. Tried tire chains. Stan & Nancy & girls came in the evening.

Sat Jan 30 – Stans here all night. Watched Iowa beat Ohio in college basketball.

Sun Jan 31 – Stans left about noon. Watched college basketball in the afternoon.

Thu Feb 4 – Watched Iowa beat Indiana in college basketball at night. Lunch & supper at Family Table.

Sat Feb 6 – Worked on pictures, fastening them to a panel for 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Watched college basketball all afternoon.

Sat Feb 13 – Lunch at Uptown with Mac & Wilma. Watched Indiana beat Iowa in college basketball.

Fri Feb 19 – Dalene phoned at night, home to Wheaton after 2 weeks in L.A.

Mon Feb 22 – Went to the Des Moines airport for Mac & Wilma, Wilma broke her right arm Saturday night in Texas but didn't tell anyone.

Thu Feb 25 – We worked around the house. Washed the windows (inside), washed clothes, paid some bills, etc. 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary picture in Sentinel.

Fri Feb 26 – Nice day. Sent anniversary pictures to Dorothea, Stans, Judy. Visited Mac & Wilma, Marie there too.

Sat Feb 27 – Dalene phoned, will be here Wednesday. Judy phoned, will be here Friday.

Tue Mar 2 – Received several cards for 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Wed Mar 3 – Married 50 years ago today. Dalene & Chris came at 6 PM. Judy phoned at night.

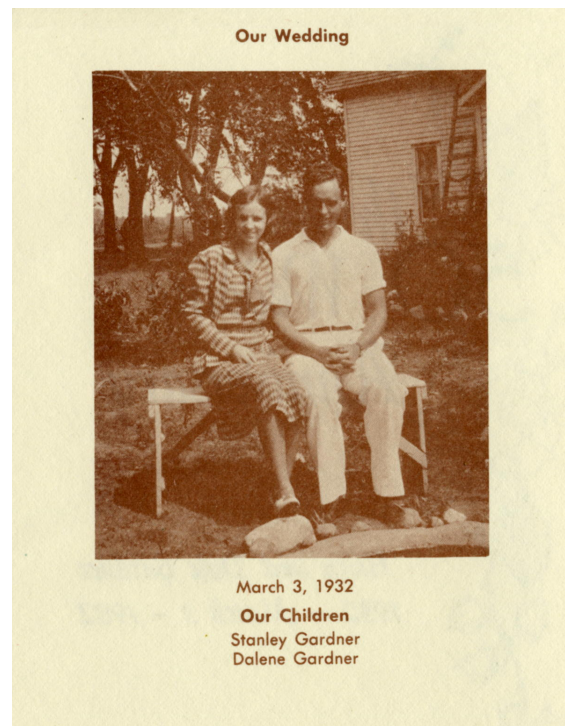


*Dale and Helen's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary photo*

Thu Mar 4 – Dalene & Chris here. Received more 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary cards.

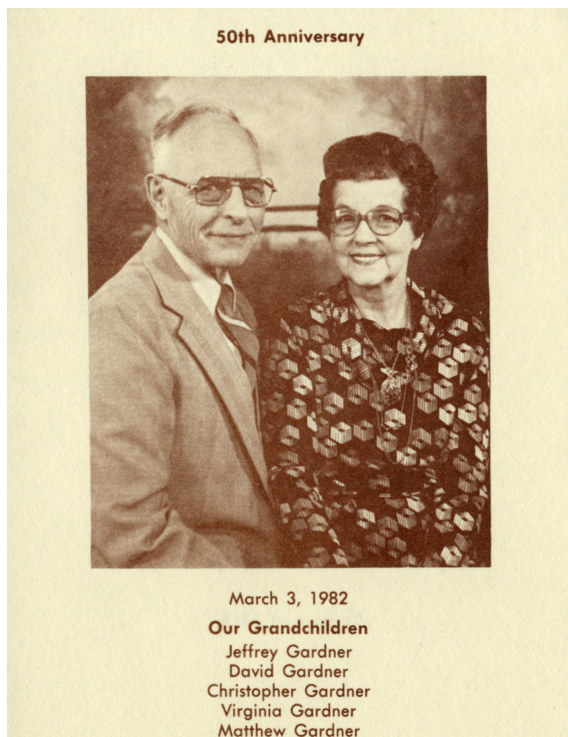
Fri Mar 5 – Dalene, Chris, Stan, Nancy, Jerry, Judy, Ginny, & Matt all here all night. Marie here for supper too.

Sat Mar 6 – 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary open house at the Christian Church, 95 people registered. Received gifts plus, mostly on a money tree. Lots of old friends & relatives there. Stans took us to supper at Family Table. Family Table gave us a gift certificate.



*Front and inside cover of their open house announcement*





*Inside facing page and back of the announcement*

## *THANK YOU*

*Friends and neighbors  
And relatives so dear,  
For all the joys you've wished us,  
And for your presence here.  
Now when this day is over,  
And our guests are on their way,  
The memory of this joyous time  
Will ever with us stay.*

*Helen and Dale*



*Helen and Dale arrive at the Christian Church*



*Dalene, Dale, Helen, Stan, and the cake*

Sun Mar 7 – 12 people here last night & the night before. Stan & Nancy left at 6 AM; Jerry & Judy at 5 PM. Nickolay phoned about 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

Mon Mar 8 – Dalene & Chris left at 8:05. Dalene phoned us at 5:15 PM, she's home.

Thu Mar 11 – Received our rings yesterday, we gave each other for 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Lela put news of our 50<sup>th</sup> open house in the paper. Helen phoned Fairview hospital about the bill.

Mon Mar 15 – Helen & I finished sending thank you notes. Bought 6 Tribunes with the account of our open house & thank you notice.

Tue Mar 16 – Took it easy today. Visited Lela in the afternoon. Popped corn at night in the microwave.

Wed Mar 17 – Wrote letters to Stans, Dalene, & Judy & Jerry.

Fri Mar 19 – Watched Iowa high school basketball tourney all afternoon & evening. Judy phoned at night.

Sat Mar 20 – Watched boys' high school basketball all afternoon. Supper at home.

Mon Mar 22 – Went to Des Moines shopping. Bought 3 GE coffee machines for Stan, Dalene, & Judy.

Fri Mar 26 – Took packages to Creston UPS for shipment to Dalene, had to re-package two of them. Phoned Dalene in the evening about the packages.

Sat Mar 27 – Watched North Carolina beat Houston; & Georgetown beat Louisville in the afternoon. Lela & Grace here in the afternoon to see our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary presents.

Mon Mar 29 – I looked at used cars in forenoon. Supper at Family Table with Scotts.

Thu Apr 1 – Took Helen, Lela, & Grace Likes to Des Moines shopping. Helen & I had our eyes tested. Mine OK for 2 years yet. Helen's OK till July 9<sup>th</sup>. Phoned Dalene at night.

Fri Apr 2 – Looked at a 1980 Buick Century.

Sat Apr 3 – Took Wilma for her birthday dinner, 77 years old.

Sun Apr 4 – Helen washed some clothes. I played pool & watched pro basketball.



*The pool table in Dale and Helen's basement*

Wed Apr 7 – I had a treatment by Dr. Andlehelm, shoulder out of place. Dalene phoned in the evening.

Thu Apr 8 – Phoned Dalene. Stan phoned in the evening from Dalene's.

Fri Apr 9 – Stans came in the afternoon for Easter.

Sat Apr 10 – Stans here for lunch & supper at Family Table. They took the girls home after supper.

Sun Apr 11 – Stan & Nancy left for home at 6:30 AM. Helen went to see Ruth in the hospital in the afternoon.

Tue Apr 13 – Put awnings up on the patio, took storm windows off.

Sun Apr 18 – Fine day. Watched pro basketball all afternoon. Helen talked to Dalene by phone.

Mon Apr 19 – Went to Benson's in Des Moines in the afternoon to order new glasses.



Tue Apr 20 – Looked at a 1979 Chrysler Cordoba at Oliver's.

Sat Apr 24 – Cleaned the patio in the afternoon. Helen talked to Judy about a doctor appointment the 1<sup>st</sup> week in May. I visited Marie.

Mon Apr 26 – Judy phoned, Helen has an appointment for May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 11 AM with Dr. Canfield.

Thu Apr 29 – Helen & I to Des Moines, Benson's for glasses. Mine OK, hers hurt her right eye. Talked to Dalene at night.

Sat May 1 – Beautiful day. Cleaned the car, mowed the lawn. Got ready to drive to Mpls tomorrow.

Sun May 2 – Drove from Osceola to Mpls by 3 PM. Supper at Judy & Jerry's.

Mon May 3 – In Mpls. Took Helen to Dr. Canfield at 11 AM.

Tue May 4 – Took Helen to Dr. Canfield at 11 and 4 for blood samples. Jerry & Judy took us to supper. Helen talked to Jean Roath at night.

Wed May 5 – In Mpls. Took Judy to lunch then to her doctor for minor surgery at Fairview Hospital. Helen & I each bought plastic raincoats at Sears in Eden Prairie.

Thu May 6 – Drove from Mpls to Osceola. Lunch at Boondocks, supper at Family Table. Bought Boondocks caps for Matt & Virginia. Marie here in the evening, going to the World's Fair Saturday.  
< *The Knoxville International Energy Exposition, in Tennessee, this year.* >

Fri May 7 – Looked at cars at Oliver's. Took Marie to her birthday dinner at Family Table. Mac & Wilma there too.

Sat May 8 – Fine day. Agreed to trade our 1978 Chevette for a 1979 Impala. Phoned Stans & Dalene.

Sun May 9 – Phoned Don McMuth, not buying the 1979 Impala. Lunch with the Wolfes, next door, at Family Table. Went to Wilma's in the evening. Judy phoned.

Thu May 13 – Helen received a letter from Dr. Canfield, she does not have Addison's disease & no thyroid problem either. She talked to Dalene & Judy.

Sat May 15 – Ralph & Marie came home from the World's Fair. Watched 76ers beat Boston in pro basketball.

Mon May 24 – Went to Margie's in the afternoon for books. Judy phoned.

Tue May 25 – Took Mac & Wilma to the Des Moines airport at 6 AM. Helen & I had breakfast at Denny's in Des Moines.

Thu May 27 – Decorated at the cemetery. Earl & Dorothy here in the afternoon. Put patio furniture in place. Busy day.

Fri May 28 – Judy & Jerry came about 6:30 PM. Ate supper with Jerrys at Family Table.

Sat May 29 – Drove through the cemetery in late afternoon. Jerry, Judy, Ginny & Matt & I went bowling at night. They went to a household sale, etc.

Sun May 30 – Jerrys went to Margie & Jack's for the afternoon & evening. We all ate at Family Table except Jack & Margie. David phoned Judy. Helen & Judy talked to Dalene.

Mon May 31 – A holiday. Jerrys left at noon. To the Des Moines airport for Mac & Wilma at 7:30 PM.

Wed Jun 2 – Went to Des Moines with Helen, Lela, & Grace Likes. Bought marble chips, carpet for the front steps, shoes for me & blouses for Helen.

Thu Jun 3 – Helen & I to Des Moines shopping & to exchange a blouse. Dalene phoned about her will.

Wed Jun 9 – I went to Des Moines to Payless Cashways for indoor-outdoor carpet for the patio.

Sat Jun 12 – Put the new carpet on the patio. Went to the library & bank. Had a doughnut & coffee at Uptown in the morning. Phoned Dalene. Earl & Dorothy in the Ottumwa hospital.

Sun Jun 13 – Sat on the patio all afternoon. Sent a letter & pictures to Dalene, pictures of flowers in the living room window box & the light planter out front.

Fri Jun 18 – Looked at some cars. Tried out a 1978 LeBaron, too much rattles.

Sat Jun 19 – Looked at 2<sup>nd</sup> hand cars. Cut & pulled weeds & grass from the south chain link fence.

Sun Jun 20 – Dalene & Judy phoned for Father's Day. Went to Lela's in the evening awhile.

Tue Jun 22 – Looked at cars in the afternoon. No sale. Sat on the patio after supper.

Thu Jun 24 – Sat in the park in the afternoon & ate ice cream & smoked a cigar.

Sat Jun 26 – Rested in the afternoon, except mowed the back lawn. Stans came at 5 PM. Sat on the patio all evening. Watched a late movie.

Sun Jun 27 – Stans left at 10 AM for St. Louis for a few days to visit Nancy's father. Went to Lela's in the evening.

Mon Jun 28 – Mary Jane, Jessica, & Rachel arrived 3:50 PM from Mpls. Took them to supper at Family Table.



*Mary Jane, Jessica, and Rachel in the back yard*

Wed Jun 30 – Mary Jane & babies left at 8 AM. Went out at 9 PM for a steak.

Thu Jul 1 – Nice day. Stans came at 3:50 PM for the Fourth.

Fri Jul 2 – Stans here. Judy phoned, they will be here tomorrow.

Sat Jul 3 – Jerry & Judy & 2 kids came about 2:30 PM. 10 of us here all night. Stans here too.

Sun Jul 4 – Kids all here except Dalene.

Mon Jul 5 – Stans left at 6 AM. Jerrys & us watched the parade from the car. Jerrys left at 2 PM. Stan & Nancy phoned after they got home.

Thu Jul 8 – Went to Charlie & Leota's in the afternoon to see Doris.

Mon Jul 12 – 73 years old today. Wilma broke her left hip about 1 AM. Judy, & Dalene phoned happy birthday.

Wed Jul 14 – Went to see Wilma at Methodist Hospital in Des Moines. Looked at & drove a 1981 Omega 2-door. Beautiful car but can't make payments.

Thu Jul 15 – Drove a 1979 Mercury but too rough on the highway. Mac phoned, Wilma feeling better.

Fri Jul 16 – Bought a 1980 Buick Century V-6 of Fletcher, get it next week after cruise control installed. Told Stan, Dalene, Judy, Lela & Mac, etc.

Sun Jul 18 – Decided not to buy the Buick.

Mon Jul 19 – I told Fletcher we don't want to buy the Buick & he gave me back the \$100. Nice man.

Tue Jul 20 – Helen is 71 today. Lunch at Family Table, Marie; Grace; Lela; Ruth Voris; Helen & I. Dalene phoned in the evening.

Wed Jul 21 – Went to the Medicare office in Des Moines; visited Wayne & Vivian; saw Wilma at the hospital.

Thu Jul 22 – Wilma has gall stones & may operate.

Mon Jul 26 – Lela is 73 today, birthday dinner for her at Family Table.

Wed Jul 28 – Wilma came home from the hospital.

Thu Jul 29 – Went to Des Moines shopping. Helen bought Wilma a bed gown, hospital type. Looked at a 1980 Monte Carlo at Fletcher's.

Sat Jul 31 – Air conditioning on most all day. Talked to Dalene at night. Stan & Nancy here.

Sun Aug 1 – Stan & Nancy left before 7 AM, Stan phoned at 10:45 PM, home OK.

Mon Aug 2 – Walked over to the County Fair. Visited Wilma & Mac. Talked to Dalene about trading cars.

Fri Aug 6 – Mac & us took Wilma to the local hospital at 6 PM with a gall bladder attack.

Sat Aug 7 – Mac took Wilma to Des Moines Methodist Hospital in an ambulance. Don & I took his car up to him. I had a hamburger at Gus & Tom's.

Wed Aug 11 – Dalene phoned, she decided to keep her car - what a relief to me - no payments. Mac brought Wilma home from Methodist Hospital.

Thu Aug 12 – Beautiful day. Went uptown in the morning for coffee & roll at Uptown Café. Looked at a 1976 Plymouth Volare with 75385 miles on it, pretty car. Too old. Stopped at Mac's after supper.

Sat Aug 14 – Looked at a 1980 Pontiac LeMans at Fletcher's. Dalene phoned in the afternoon. Lela here to visit in the afternoon.

Sun Aug 15 – Ate at Family Table. Helen talked to Judy. Looked at the 1980 LeMans again.

Mon Aug 16 – Traded our 1978 Chevette for the 1980 Pontiac LeMans. Showed the car to Macs & Lela. Phoned Dalene about it.



*A 1980 Pontiac LeMans*

Tue Aug 17 – Had some keys made for the Pontiac. Ordered a right sideview mirror for the car. Talked to Stan at night.

Wed Aug 18 – Air conditioning on in the afternoon. Lela & Grace here. Helen phoned Judy at night about our new 2<sup>nd</sup> hand Pontiac.

Thu Aug 19 – New cruise control installed on our 1980 Pontiac LeMans. Sent Stans a picture of the Pontiac.

Fri Aug 20 – T. J. Laing & Don Cole looked at our Pontiac.

Sat Aug 21 – Drove the 1980 Pontiac LeMans to Des Moines & back. 24 mpg. That's great. Good car.

Fri Aug 27 – Fine day. Had the right side-view mirror installed on the LeMans.

Sat Aug 28 – Cleaned & waxed our & Lela's car vinyl tops today. Took Mac to his birthday dinner at Family Table. Dalene phoned, they're moving Tuesday.

Sun Aug 29 – Lela fell & broke 2 or 3 ribs, we took her to the hospital in the morning.

Sun Sep 5 – Ate lunch at Family Table with Mac & Wilma. Looked after Lela's house, took her the Sunday paper. Dalene phoned about a garage door opener.

Tue Sep 7 – Helen had an ultra-sound exam, all OK. Phoned Dalene about it.

Fri Sep 10 – Took Lela home from the hospital. I went to Dr. Wilken for tranquilizers.

Sat Sep 11 – Had a spinal X-ray & EKG at the hospital. Marie & Ralph went to Kansas City to visit Susan. I'm taking tranquilizers. Dalene phoned.

Sun Sep 12 – Lela took us to lunch. Watched some pro football. Dalene phoned about when we were coming over.

Thu Sep 16 – Helen phoned Nancy & Stan in the evening. Watched pro football at night on TV.

Sun Sep 26 – Earl, Dorothy, & Francis came to Wilma's. All ate at Family Table, Lela & Ruth too. Phoned Dalene at night.

Thu Sep 30 – Getting ready to go to Wheaton Monday. Ordered 2 new Tiempo radial tires from Goodyear here.

Sun Oct 3 – Did last minute packing for trip to Wheaton tomorrow. Washed & cleaned the car. Mac & Wilma here.

Mon Oct 4 – Drove 360 miles from Osceola to Wheaton, Illinois. Pontiac LeMans 4 door got 30 miles per gallon on this drive. Visiting Dalene.

Tue Oct 5 – At Dalene's. Did a bunch of odd jobs.

Wed Oct 6 – Drove from Wheaton to Cleveland, 416 miles the Joliet way. Got 26 mpg on the 1980 Pontiac LeMans 6 with the air conditioning on, 30 with it off. Got sick on a cigar Stan gave me at night.

Thu Oct 7 – At Stan & Nancy's in Cleveland. Stayed in the house all day till evening, then out to supper at the Tiffany Inn.

Fri Oct 8 – In Aurora at Stan & Nancy's. Helen & I went to Twinsburg for lunch & cashed some traveler's checks. Beautiful day.

Sat Oct 9 – Clear & beautiful fall colors. Stan & Nancy took us to Burton to a Fall Festival for lunch & look around. Bought maple syrup & applesauce. Had a good time except my legs gave out.

Sun Oct 10 – At Stan's. Up late & to the Treadway Inn for brunch. Drove to Solon from there. Stayed home in the afternoon.

Mon Oct 11 – At Stan's in Aurora, Ohio. Sunny. Stan bought my gas on his Sohio discount. He left in the evening for New York. Loaded our car.

Tue Oct 12 – Drove 400 miles from Stan's to Dalene's. Took about 9 driving hours & wore us both out. Staying at Dalene's.

Wed Oct 13 – At Dalene's. Took Dalene to supper. Met her landlord & some student roomers.

Thu Oct 14 – At Dalene's. Helped her slide some storm windows down, etc.

Sat Oct 16 – At Dalene's. Mowed the lawn & did odd jobs. Watched Brewers beat Cards in the World Series.

Sun Oct 17 – At Dalene's in Wheaton, Illinois. Helen went to church with Dalene. I raked part of the yard. Dalene & I bagged 16 bags of leaves I had raked.

Mon Oct 18 – Drove 360 miles from Dalene's to home. Lunch at the I-80 Walcott exit. Supper at Family Table. Phoned Stan in the evening.

Wed Oct 20 – Took Helen to Dr. Wilken for ear stoppage & flu. Bought 2 new Tiempo tires.

Sat Oct 23 – Phoned Jerry about tires. Ate supper at Family Table with Mac & Wilma.



Sat Oct 30 – Breakfast at the Fire Hall. Almost bought a snow blower at a sale but didn't. Raked & burned the leaves from the front lawn after supper.

Wed Nov 3 – Getting ready to go to Mpls tomorrow.

Thu Nov 4 – Drove from Osceola to Jerry & Judy's, 292 miles in snow flurries. Supper at Jerry's.

Fri Nov 5 – In Mpls. Helen to Dr. Canfield & me to Dr. Bender. I have a slight scalp infection, folliculitis. We both took erythromycin & it made us both sick. Talked to Carlson, & Loraine Nickolay.

Sat Nov 6 – In Mpls. Judy, Jerry, Helen, & I to a restaurant for brunch. Watched college football in the afternoon.

Sun Nov 7 – In Mpls. Helen & I had breakfast at the Chowder Bowl Café. Saw David. Supper at Judy's, ate too much.

Mon Nov 8 – Drove home from Mpls, 288 miles. Lunch at a Perkins in Owatonna, Minn. Good to be home.

Thu Nov 11 – Grace Marquis died. Helen Owens died yesterday.

Sun Nov 14 – Bought a nearly new Lazy-Boy recliner-rocker, tweed covering, a bargain, for Helen, at Mrs. Fox's sale.

Mon Nov 15 – Had some family pictures made at the Recorder's office for Mary Jane. Went to the library in the afternoon. Mac & Wilma here, also Lela.

Wed Nov 17 – I drove over to where Bill & Leona lived in 1933 & got a board from their old barn for Marie. Sent Bill & Leona a letter too.

Sun Nov 21 – Watched a lot of pro football all afternoon. Stan phoned about Thanksgiving, they will be here that day (25<sup>th</sup>).

Wed Nov 24 – Lunch at Family Table, supper at A&W. Picked up turkey & dressing & 3 pies. Judy phoned.

Thu Nov 25 – Stan & Nancy came at 1 PM. Lela, Stan, Nancy, & Helen & I here for Thanksgiving dinner. They went after the girls in the evening, here all night.

Fri Nov 26 – Stans went to Des Moines shopping all afternoon. We ate lunch at Family Table with Mac & Wilma. Supper at home.

Sat Nov 27 – Watched a lot of football & basketball. Stans here, took the girls home in the evening.

Sun Nov 28 – Stan & Nancy left here at 8 AM, drove home to Cleveland by 10:30 PM. I watched pro football all afternoon. Supper at home.

Mon Dec 6 – Put our Christmas fireplace up in the living room. We went to Dr. Wilken for flu medicine. Letter from Bill & Leona.

Tue Dec 7 – Put the Christmas tree up in the living room & decorated it.

Mon Dec 13 – Marie here with a board to be sanded, I borrowed a sander from Don Schaffer.

Tue Dec 14 – Used Don's electric sander to smooth a board for Marie. Mac & Wilma here.

Wed Dec 15 – Dalene phoned, coming for Christmas with Stans in their van.

Fri Dec 17 – Helen & I took Lela to the Des Moines airport by 8:30 AM. Lela's basement flooded; I stayed at Lela's until 2 AM tomorrow regarding basement water till a plumber opened the sewer.

Sat Dec 18 – Sent a letter & card to Perlman. Checked Lela's basement, OK & dry. Helen phoned Stan in the evening, also talked to Ginny, ordered Motrin from Bloomington, Minn.

Sun Dec 19 – Wrapped Christmas presents in the afternoon. Watched pro football at night, Chargers beat Bengals.

Wed Dec 22 – I took Mac & Wilma to the Des Moines airport at 7:15 AM.

Thu Dec 23 – Met Stans and Dalene in Des Moines at Denny's, brought Dalene back for all night, Stan and Nancy went on to Mpls.

Fri Dec 24 – Ate at home. Stans came at 9:15 PM. Dalene went to church with Jack & Margie. Family all here.



*December 24: Stan tries to hang a stocking on the cardboard fireplace while Nancy trims the tree*

Sat Dec 25 – Stan, Nancy, Amy, Jill, & Dalene here all night. Christmas presents in the morning, lots of them. Marie, Susan, Doug & Nathan here awhile. Home cooked dinner.

Sun Dec 26 – Checked Mac & Wilma's & Lela's houses. Stans & Dalene left a little after noon. Watched pro football all afternoon.

Mon Dec 27 – Sent a taxi for Mac & Wilma at the Des Moines airport, they were late. Stan phoned. We phoned Dalene.

Tue Dec 28 – Marie here to show us a board for Bill & Leona's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Watched 2 basketball games at night. Iowa beat Wisconsin & UCLA beat Louisville.

Wed Dec 29 – Watched Alabama beat Illinois in football & Iowa beat Seton Hall in basketball at night.

Thu Dec 30 – Watched the Gator Bowl at night.

Fri Dec 31 – Drove Lela's car to lunch at Family Table. Supper at home. Watched football all afternoon & evening. New Year's Eve.