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Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you and yours!

Dear Friends and Family,

We had a lot of changes in 2019, and so our e-mail Christmas card is longer than usual. Andrea's Mom died. It was time. She was almost 95, could not see, hear, nor walk very well. Her mind was sharp to the end. There were good family times, especially when the brothers were here at the end. Andrea did a wonderful job of supporting Maxine since we moved home to Cedar.

Our 10th Annual Nelson Grandkids Summer Science Camp was in Bulverde, Texas at Melanie and Jared's place. We missed Ethan, Sophie, and Lauren. Uncle Roice arranged for everyone to go flying at i-Fly, we swam in the Guadalupe River, went to The Cave Without a Name, and visited the Wax Museum and The Alamo in San Antonio.

Roice and Sarah are finishing a new house. Ben and Ashley hosted us at Ethan's graduation from Ft. Collins High School. Paul had operations on both ankles, is thriving at work, and was able to bring Kate, Grant, Ella, Dallin, Quinton, and Chloe to Science camp, and everyone but Grant to my 70th birthday party. Surprised how few photos I have of his family this year.

Melanie and Jared are busy: Jared's kidney transplant has been postponed; the dental practice is taking off; Colby was the field goal kicker for Smithson Valley High School; Taylor is a track star; Halle is a dance star, Avalyn is less shy; and Kendall had an operation on her eyes.

Heather was able to come to the funeral. She competed nationally in bike racing this year, and won or placed in several bike races. Audrey is finding being a single parent to 3 cute girls is challenging. We got to see the girls a few weeks ago, and will see them again this Sunday. Sara reentered single ranks and works for Home Away. She came to Science Camp and my birthday party with Rob. Rob did an excellent presentation on sound at Science Camp in The Cave Without a Name. We shared a birthday cake Aunt Sara had made for our birthdays.

Rachel and Garret are busy with Gwyn and Darius. Matt and Tess got engaged. Andrea busy as the Relief Society President. Roice is the Family History Leader, President of the Cedar City Chapter of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers, and works on lightning analysis and collecting rocks. We enjoy temple work. We sang the Messiah, and Roice sings with the Master Singers.

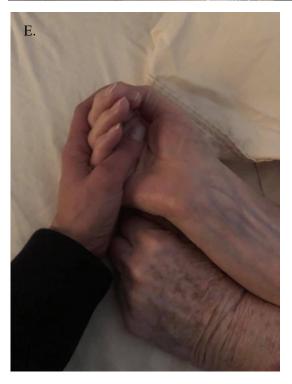
We hope & pray you and yours are happy and full of joy this Christmas Season. Come and visit us in 2020.

With Love,

Maxine and Family







- A. Randy, Russell, Robert, Andrea, Maxine, Steve, & Morris Shirts..
- B. Funeral Program Cover.
- C. Steve, Andrea, Robert, Russell, & Maxine.
- D. Russell, Randy, Andrea, Robert, & Steve.
- E. Audrey & Maxine.
- F. Maxine, Andrea, Randy, Robert, & Steve.
- G. Russell, Roice, Andrea, Jill, Steve, Randy, & Katheryn at SUU recognition of Steve as one of 4 SUU Distinguished Alumni.

B. In Loving Memory Of



Dorothy Maxine Baird Shirts July 25, 1923 - May 26, 2019







10th Annual Nelson Grandkids Summer Science Camp



- A. On a hike to overlook San Antonio: Grant; Quinton; Roice; Dallin; Ella; Taylor; Paul; Avalyn; Halle; Colby; Kendall; & Melanie.
- B. i-Fly Training: Ella; Halle; Avalyn; Taylor; Dallin; Grant; Chloe; Paul; Kate; Roice III; Sarah; Melanie; Kendall; Colby; & Sarah.
- C. After i-Fly: Kendall; Avalyn; Sarah; Ella; Sara Ellyn; Taylor; & Halle.



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D. Brazos River: Sara; Colby; Ella; Taylor; Avalyn; Dallin; Halle; Quinton; Kendall; Chloe; & Grant.

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- E. San Antonio Wax Museum: Quinton; Paul; Kate; Ella; Grant; Colby; Rob; Grandpa; Melanie; Kendall; Taylor; Avalyn; Chloe; & Avalyn.
- F. Entrance of The Cave Without a Name in Bourne: Kate; Paul; Melanie; Avalyn; Colby; Ella; Rob; Sara; Taylor; Grant; Andrea; Grandpa; Dallin; Kendall; Chloe; Avalyn; & Quinton.
- G. At the Alamo: Dallin; Grant; Colby; Kendall; Paul; Taylor; Ella; Rob; Halle; Avalyn; Melanie; & Jared.



Grandpa's "Surprise" 70th Birthday Party









- A. Birthday Lunch: Rob, Des, Melanie, Kate, Chloe, Andrea, Quentin, Aunt Sara, Sara Ellen, Paul, Ella, & Dallin,
- B. Morning walk by Temple: Melanie and Dad.
- C. By Iron Springs Statue: Sara, Paul, Ellyn Johnson Nelson, Rob, & Melanie.
- D. Kolob with Sara & Melanie.
- E. Redmen Water Tank, a major topic of 2019.
- F. Willys Whippet frozen radiator fixed for 2019 SUU Homecoming Parade.
- G. Aunt Shirley's Funeral cousins: Ivan Warner, Bruce Bills, Darrell Krueger, Carl Nelson, Roice, Aunt Sara, Renee Warner Miner, Kathleen Bills Gordon, Aunt Luana Warner, & Kristen Bybee.
- H. Grandma & Grandpa on a petrified log, Rock Club trip to Babylon (at 70 I can still carry 70 pounds of rock half a mile to the car for our yard).
 - 150th Anniversary of Promontory Pass (I was also at the 100th Anniversary, because Uncle Bill Kruger was the Park Ranger in charge).
 - After Messiah: Andrea, Roice, Aunt Sara, & Patty Walser.













Roice & Sarah, Paul & Kate & Grant & Ella & Dallin & Quinton & Chloe, & Sara Ellyn

















A.& B. Roice & Sarah's new guest room & house.C. , D. & F. Roice III in air, @ i-Fly, & on skates.

- E. Sarah Nemec Nelson
- G. Friend, Paul, Grant, Ella, Dallin, Chloe, Kate, Sara Ellyn, Quinton, & Tim.
- H. Sara Ellyn and puppies.
- Breakfast at Melanie's during Science Camp: Quinton, Chloe, Grandma, Taylor, Paul, Kate, Halle, Ella, & Kendall.

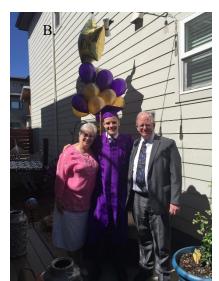


Ben & Ashley & Ethan

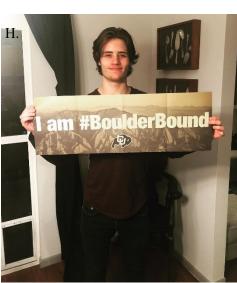


















A.-E.+G. Graduation from Ft. Collins High School Lampkin's.E.-F. HockeyH. UC Boulder.I. Empty Nester.

Melanie & Jared & Colby & Taylor & Halle & AvalynA.& KendallC.C.















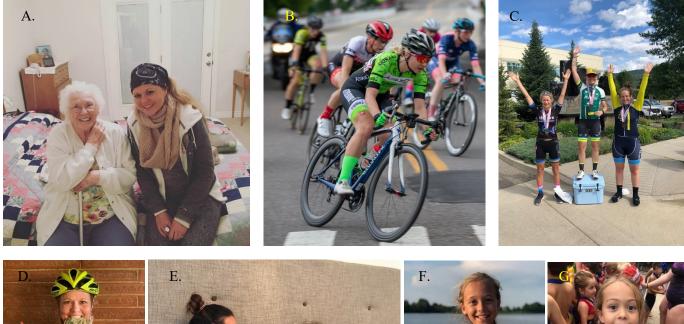






- A.&C. The Wright Family.
- B. & D. Taylor Running.
- E. Avalyn, Tylor, & Kendall.
- F. Girls, a cousin, and a real pizza.
- G. Melanie, Colby, and Jared.
- H. Colby kicking a field goal.
- I. Halle, Taylor, Avalyn, & Kendall.
- J. Brave Kendall after eye operation.

Heather, Audrey & Sophie & Izzy & Lauren













A. Great-Grandma & Heather B.-D. Heather Bike Racing E. Audrey, Sophie, & Grandma F. Izzy G. Lauren H.-L. Sophie, Izzy, & Lauren M. Audrey & Great-Grandma.



Garrett, Rachel, Gwendolyn, & Darius







- A. Garrett, Gwyn, Rachel, & Darius.
- B. Rachel & Darius.
- C. Rachel, Darrius, & Gwyn.
- D. Gwyn & Darius.
- E. Darius.





Rob, Sara Ellyn, Matt & Tess, & Charlie Garfield



- A. Aunt Sara's Rock Birthday Cake for Dad & Rob.
- B. Rob watching Dad blow out 70 candles.
- C. Charlie Garfield (This requires a little bit of explanation: Charlie was in The Keynotes, Dad's Rock Band during Cedar High. Charlie served a mission to Japan, was in the military during Viet Nam, married a girl from Japan, and disappeared. Instead of "Where's Waldo?" it was always "Where's Charlie?" We reconnected in 2019, and it was wonderful catching up.).
- D. Matt & Tess visiting before their engagement.
- E. Sara Ellyn and her nieces, Halley, Avalyn, Taylor, and Kendall.
- F. A Cedar City sunset.



This map shows the status of my work with the spreadsheet version of The Book of Mormon, with image additions to show events tied to the Savior's death and visit to the ancient Americas. I find great power and guidance in my study of this book, and hope you do also.

Christmas 2019 Cedar City, Utah

