

JOY

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Happy Holidays!

Yikes!! Another year has come and gone. Where does the time go?? We keep trying to live everyday to its fullest.

We had another year filled with travel, golf, reunions, weddings and car events. The year started with our beloved Broncos winning the Super Bowl!! What a way to bring a city and a whole region together in celebration. Our friends in the Chicago area understand that one. After that we went to Puerto Vallarta with Bill's sister and husband and other friends. We had a great time, as usual.

Our sad portion of the year was when Ashley had to euthanize her beloved golden retriever, Oliver. Anyone with pets knows how hard that decision is to make and the grief that follows. She has done that kind of thing in her work, but when it is your own it is very hard.

In the spring we took a 5000 mile road trip to the South and ended back at Arlene's 45th high school reunion in Illinois. We went to Nashville, through Atlanta to Savannah, Georgia where Allyson met us for several nights to explore that area. Then on to Charleston, S.C. , Bowling Green, KY. to see the Corvette Museum that collapsed damaging several cars, and ending in San Jose for the reunion. We were home four days and then drove to Mesquite, NV to celebrate Ashley's 30th birthday with her and a friend. Bill attended several car shows in the area and also in Steamboat Springs, and Gunnison. We drove to central Illinois again twice to attend weddings and visit the farm. We spent Thanksgiving in Richmond, VA with Allyson and had a great visit there.

The movie that featured our '67 Mustang convertible finally came out on DVD for rental. "A Remarkable Life" is the name of it. Not that great of a movie, but the car looked good! Bill ended up selling it this fall and replaced it with a '67 Mustang GTA fastback he found in Boston, MA. We are down to 3 Fords, 2 Corvettes and a VW!!

The girls are doing well and getting established in their careers. Allyson finished her masters in May and took a new job in a new school and district near Richmond. She teaches one class and the rest of her time is spent on administrative duties. She seems to be adjusting nicely and enjoys the challenge. Ashley is working in a lab doing water testing for pollutants to Colorado rivers and streams. She would like to get back out in the field someday and is keeping her options open.

We are looking forward to Christmas when we will all be together as a family. We are a little apprehensive about what 2017 might bring, but hope that our country can come together and heal our differences and make it a better world for us all.

Hope your new year brings joy and peace and love to you and your loved ones.

*May all the gifts of this joyous
holiday season be yours today
and throughout the New Year*

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!
FROM,
BILL AND ARLENE BRUHN

Brooklyn is SO adorable, I'll bet grandpa & grandma
spoil her rotten.