

John Feldman'59, Ft. Washington, MD, I attended SOO Tech, a branch of Michigan College of Mining and Technology (now Michigan Technological University – MTU) in 1957-1959. I graduated from Sault Saint Marie High School and received a Soo High scholarship to Soo Tech. I then attended MTU and received a BSME in 1961. I also graduated as a Distinguished ROTC graduate, was commissioned in the Air Force, and was the first Air Force to attend MTU for a graduate degree – an MSME in 1963. My first base was Edwards AFB in California. I attended classes there and received a MBA from Golden Gate University. I married my High School sweetheart, Sharon Nikunen, in 1962 one week after she graduated from Augustana Lutheran School of Nursing in Chicago. I got her a job at MTU as one of the three college nurses. We were married for 51 years. She passed into the arms of our Lord in October 2013. I spent 21 years in the Air Force at several assignments. At Edwards AFB our two children were born. Sharolyn who has two boys and Mark who has a boy and a girl. We moved on to Wright Patterson AFB in Ohio, Maxwell AFB in Alabama, and ended up here at Andrews AFB in Maryland. I spent four years in the Pentagon as the AF Maverick Missile Action Officer and four years serving with the Navy as the Sparrow Missile Program Director. I retired from the Air Force, as a LT COLONEL, in 1982 and went to work for 28 years as an Acquisition Specialist working with all three Services helping them acquire military equipment at the best price. I served for several years at the Pentagon as a Specialist assisting the staff of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Networks and Information Technology. I fully retired in 2009 and enjoy doing my own thing and going from Maryland each summer to our cabin on Lake of the Woods at the Minnesota/Canadian border. Put my boat in the water and fish for walleyes all summer coming back to Maryland mid-September. At 82 years old I wish everyone a long and happy life.