

ALFRED RIEDMANN FAMILY

Alfred A. Riedmann Jr. and Shirley Maree Simpson Riedmann

I, Alfred, the fifth child and second son of Alfred and Frances Riedmann, was born at 504 Martha Street in Omaha Nebraska, on June 12, 1928. Shirley Maree Simpson was born at 2804 Bridge Street, on January 25, 1931.

Al graduated from South High School, in 1945. Shirley Graduated from North High School in 1948. We met at Crosstown Roller Rink in October in 1949 after Al had spent several years in the US Marine Corps. We loved to roller skate, dance, drive around, eat and talk. We were married on May 3, 1952 at Saint Philip Neri Church in Florence. Our children's birthdays:

Michael Louis	February 17, 1953	Omaha
Lorene Maree	May 29, 1954	Omaha
Alfred Adam	July 12, 1956	Omaha
Mary Kay	August 22, 1957	Des Moines
Shirley Maree	March 15, 1962	Omaha
Theresa Maree	December 30, 1964	Omaha

Al was in the family business, Willow Springs Bottling Co. In 1956 Al opened a branch in Des Moines, IA. In 1961 we moved back to Omaha and lived at 5615 No. 29 St. In 1965 we built a new home at 3507 So. 117 St. Shirley was a stay at home mom and watched children in our home and then sold Avon. The children all attended Mary Our Queen grade school and Ryan High School.

In 1963 the Riedmann's sold the bottling plant and Al worked for 7Up until 1968. Al then went back to school and obtained a real estate license and became a real estate agent for NP Dodge and then several other companies. Now Al teaches agents at NP Dodge on Mondays and he and Shirley travel throughout the US inspecting homes for one of the divisions of NP Dodge. Shirley sold cosmetics at several department stores and then worked at Borsheims Jewelry for ten years.

All of our children attended Wayne State College at Wayne NE. They were active in sports, theatre, broadcasting, teaching and business courses.

Shirley has had some heart troubles, (bypass etc.) but now is in good health and we both work out at Prairie Life Health Club. Al joined AA in 1972 and is still active and attends meetings regularly.

We have had some ups and downs but have always stuck together and have lots of fun together and with our children and 12 grandchildren. There is always something going on and we are very close. Yea for Families!!

Sorry, but it must be noted that our children are the brightest and best looking of all the families. Live with it!!!

Mike Riedmann Family

Mike Riedmann attended Ryan High School and then Wayne State College where he played football and wrestled. Graduating with a business degree and being named the World Herald college athlete in 1976. Mike enter the real estate business and married Coleen his high school sweetheart. Today Mike is president of the NP Dodge Company's real estate division and is currently the president of the Nebraska Realtors Association. Mike and Coleen are celebrating their 25th wedding anniversary this year.

Coleen Paulison Riedmann met Mike in grade school at Mary Our Queen. Attended Ryan High School where she was a cheerleader, class vice president and the Homecoming and Prom queen her senior year. After graduating Coleen attended Wayne State College and graduated with a double major in Art and Home Economics. One year after college Mike and Coleen wed and a year after that they had the first of four children. Today Coleen operates her own Model Home decorating business and she says that she has the world's best clients.

Nicole Riedmann graduated with honors from Skutt High School, played soccer, ran track and was a cheerleader. Attended the University of Nebraska and plans on graduating next year. Nicole works for the NP Dodge Company for the business development department.

Luke Riedmann graduated from Creighton Prep where he wrestled and played on the state championship football team. Luke is attending Wayne State College and is taking summer school this year. Luke is a business major.

Natalie Riedmann graduated from Skutt High School where she ran track. Natalie is an accomplished dancer and the runner-up last year in the Miss Nebraska Teen pageant. Natalie attends the University of Nebraska where she is on the Dean's list.

Jacy Riedmann is a senior at Skutt High School where she is very active in the drama department. Jacy has appeared in numerous productions at the Rose and Dundee theaters. Jacy is a volunteer for the Red Cross and is working at Petco this summer.

Lori Riedmann Magoulas

Lori Magoulas (aka Lorene Riedmann) (aka Big Sister) Born in Omaha, NE second child & first daughter of Al & Shirley Riedmann. After 22 years in Omaha decided to begin my life of wanderlust by moving to Denver, CO to see what the world had to offer. There I met my husband Mike Magoulas, who at the time was with Miller Brewing Co, & we began our life adventures together.

To date we have lived in Omaha (yes moved back after Denver), Kansas City, Wichita, Oklahoma, Los Angeles & now are living in Modesto, CA. For those not familiar with Modesto it is Northern California, heart of the central valley & about 1-1/2 hours from San Francisco. We've even moved houses within a couple of those cities! I have loved all the different experiences each had to offer & although may be here a few years, I'd move tomorrow for the right adventure!

Through most of these moves I have been with the same company out of Kansas City. Being a Sales Manager for multiple state territories has offered me the opportunity to office out of my home & be mobile! Some things just have a way of working out! The company I am with is Robbie Mfg who is a printer of packaging films for the fresh food industry (I have walked more than my share of poultry, pork & beef plants!). It has been challenging, intimidating but mostly always changing... its a very entrepreneurial company!

Our moves have generally been following my husband Mikes career. Mike is a New Yorker with Greek heritage... he makes a mean baklava! Fortunately, we share the same sense of wanderlust. He has been in the beer business most of his career ending with his lifelong dream of owning his own distributorship, which we did for 6 years in Wichita, KS. When we sold the business, Mike took a year to see what retirement felt like: golfing, boating, playing...nope, he needed/wanted the challenge of corporate life! He accepted a job with E&J Gallo Winery which brought us to the West Coast. After 6 months (which was supposed to be a 3 year position) he was promoted & is now Vice President of Distributor Operations based out of the Wineries Headquarters. Mike likes his toys & is a true type A!

When I met Mike he had a 1 year old son, Nicholas, who has lived with us most of his life, so I figure if you are with them through puberty, you can claim them as your own son!! Nick has been with us most of our moves and has now decided to pursue his own adventures as he has just joined the Air Force and is in Boot Camp as I write. He is still debating on which area to train in but so far the options have been explosives disarmament or para-rescue...yikes!!! Nick is very artistic, social and loves that daredevil lifestyle...

What do we love to do outside of work? First & foremost would be travel (yes even though we both travel extensively with work). Then entertaining, we both love to cook & nothing is better than out of town guests visiting! I like to run (I ran my first marathon for Leukemia in December), live theater & my 3 cats (not necessarily in that order). Mike likes to golf, play racquetball & do projects.

Being a product of my mom & dad, I have received the best gift I could ever ask for: a very strong, supporting, loving family with brothers, sisters & in-laws that are my best friends and the basis for how we were raised to face the world: Roots & Wings!!

Alfred A Riedmann III

The second son, of the second son, of Alfred Riedmann the original.

Born to run, ask Mom who's goal it was to ensure my survival to at least early teens, my continued existence is testament to her watchful and loving eye.

Graduate of Wayne State College 1975, then lived in Aspen Co., Lake Tahoe Ca., Taos, NM, back to Omaha for a family boost, back to Taos, NM, on to Denver, Co., then Seattle WA, then Honolulu, HI, then San Francisco, CA, back to Seattle WA, then Spokane WA, on to Fort Collins, CO, and now in Kansas City, MO, and there is more out there I need to see.

Personal, always liked the girls, chased many, even caught a few, been with Krissy McGinley for nearly ten years, she is a pretty one, I may keep her....

Career has been in retail, Director for one company, Vice-President for another, District Manager for two more, and now with Home Depot in the Executive training program.

Adventure, "we like the sporting life", ran the Seattle Marathon, climbed Mt. Rainer, Mt. Hood, St Helen's... life time soccer player, softball, tennis, crossed Australia solo (o-kay I was in a jeep), traveled Europe, sky-dived, scuba-dived, hang-glided, raised Arabian horses, learning to surf, pretty good snow skier, currently planning Africa trip, still run daily....

My Hero's- my Father Al Jr, and my big brother Mike.

Mary Kay Riedmann Hansen

Hi, I am Mary Kay, the fourth child of Al and Shirley Riedmann. My husband Dave and I live in Lincoln, Nebraska with our two kids, Matt (14) and Marie (11). We also have two dogs and two cats; we live in a neighborhood that is a bit out in the country so we have plenty of room for plenty of animals. Matt will be starting as a freshman at Southwest, the new high school being built in Lincoln, and Marie will be beginning Scott Middle School.

Dave and I met at Ryan, a high school that was attended by many of my cousins. After Dave graduated from Creighton and I graduated from Wayne State, which was attended by several of my siblings, a few cousins namely Kathleen Riedmann and Gary Elsasser (who either went to Wayne for a little while or was often there partying), we married and moved to Oxford, Mississippi which was a very quaint, hospitable southern town. Dave attended graduate school in psychology and I eventually left my job at the phone company and went to law school. Upon graduating, we moved to Morgantown, West Virginia in the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains. You have never truly experienced fall colors until see the hillsides of West Virginia in October.

In West Virginia, Dave taught Graduate School at West Virginia University, I practiced law and Mart and Marie were born. In 1990, the University of Nebraska recruited Dave to come to Lincoln and we took the opportunity to be closer to our families. Dave is the Chair of the Psychology program at UNL. (niece, Natalie Riedmann, was one of the work studies students in the psychology department last year). I am a partner with the law firm McHenry, Hazard, Hansen Roth & Hupp. (I know lots of names and lots of egos). Life has been good to us.

Shirley Maree Riedmann Manthey

Hi, this is an official update from Shirley Maree Manthey (Riedmann). I am Al and Shirley's 5th child and might I add the girl they thought worthy of the name Little Shirley.

I received my degree in broadcasting from Wayne State College in 1984. I bounced around the country for two years living with brother Al and sister Lori and her husband. When it was time to get serious about life, I moved back to Omaha and to my great fortune they were starting a new television station. I worked at KPTM for 6 wonderful years selling advertising time.

When I was 30 my best friend asked me "Would you consider going on a blind date?" Luckily after I emphatically told her no, she ignored me and set me up with my future husband Rick Manthey. Many of you might remember we scheduled our wedding for the night before the last Riedmann reunion so that many relatives could make it. Don't forget to wish us a happy tenth anniversary when you see us at Uncle Lou's.

I quit working outside of our home when we started a family. We have three wonderful children.

Grace is 8 and a tenderhearted gal. She loves animals, looking pretty and organizing things. She is involved with girl scouts, church choir, and is attending a camp at the zoo this year.

Sam is 6 and is all boy. He wrestled and played coach pitch baseball this year. He is also in choir at church and is very anxious to be a boy scout next year so as he puts it "I can do the right thing and clean up my country to keep it nice."

Rosie is a 5-year-old spitfire and will start kindergarten this fall. She has a great sense of humor and will often catch us off guard and make us laugh when we are at our angriest at her. She loves to play with babies and our big dog Molly.

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My husband Rick works for Hewlett Packard as an engineering manager. I am very lucky to have married a wonderful husband that I enjoy doing many things with. One thing we do not have in common is HE is training to run in the Omaha marathon this August. Go get em Rick!!! He is also a big red fanatic and loves to golf and garden.

One of the things that I remember most about my family when I was a little girl I was always painfully shy about walking into a big family reunion. My dad used to say "A room with your family is the only place you can walk into and everybody just loves you because your you". I thank God I was born into a loving family; I am so blessed.

Theresa Maree Frances Riedmann Johnson

Born December 30, 1964 I am the baby. I am the youngest child of Al and Shirley and I am also the youngest grandchild. I am married to Jay B. Johnson and we have two wonderful daughters Katarina Maree born 12/20/94 and Victoria Maree born 8/22/97.

After trying college at Wayne State, I decided to work in restaurants for a while. I met the man of my dreams there but the 60 – 70 hour workweeks are tough so I went to work with sister-in-law Cokie at Travel and Transport. I worked human resources until Victoria was born and now I do some special projects for NP Dodge on my home computer.

Most of my time though is spent just being a mom. I love to garden, cook, read and watch birds. I am doing volunteer work at school and church and feel that I am living the life of my childhood dreams (how's that for being happy!)

Jay has also left the restaurant industry and now works for Airgas where he does inside sales and is the warehouse supervisor. Jay loves trains, cartoons, car racing, and fishing.

Katie is 7 and is going into second grade at Mary Our Queen (my alma mater). She loves to read, swim, and do art. We call her our "Katie Angel."

Tori is 4 and will be in 1/2 day Kindergarten this year also at Mary Our Queen. Tori loves to play in the sandbox, swim, and play with play dough. She is our "Princess Victoria."