

Betty Shepard, Georgia Hall and Sylvia Stahlman.

May Day was special in my memories. Dr. Walker was my favorite teacher. She taught me biology and physiology. Mrs. Malone was my voice teacher. I went to Peabody from Ward-Belmont but quit and married my high school sweetheart my senior year. We now celebrate 55 years together.

**Where my life has taken me...** Other than Nashville, I have lived in Virginia while Ted was getting his commission before going to Korea in the Spring of 1953. My son, Dan, was born in 1958. We moved to Atlanta and lived there until 1985. My daughter, Lisa, was born in 1964. In 1985 we moved to Dallas, Texas. We lived there until 1995. We retired to Orange Beach, Alabama until 2001. We moved to The Villages and I still see Gayle Jennings Douglas and Laddie Harton Neal occasionally. I miss Nashville terribly.

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**\*What I remember best about my days at Ward-Belmont...**  
No lipstick or gum, trying to keep your shirt tail in while trying to play hockey.  
I had an attack of appendicitis while walking to chapel.

**\*Where my life has taken me...**  
I married O.B. Thompson in 1948. We now have two children, Brad Thompson and Beth Ross (Mrs. Randy). We have two grandchildren: Kelley and Neal (Bryant). Our great grandson, Mason Neal Bryant, was born February 24, 2004. We have always lived in Nashville. In 2003, I developed cancer, but I am doing great now!

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**\*Where my life has taken me...** I am now retired from teaching music (over 55 years of service) and my reward from all those glorious memories: students who are teaching in schools and universities across the country. Enclosed are some articles that are from my scrapbook of memories. I studied with Miss Amelia Thorne (Ward-Belmont Conservatory), and Dr. Karol Lisgieviski at CCM.

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**\*What I remember best about my Ward-Belmont days...** Running across campus after a late swim class and having ice cubes on my head when I reached the dorm!  
The wonderful pecan shells and hot fudge dessert!  
Looking up my mother's grades and finding out how smart she really was!  
The night that Governor McCord brought me back from the Cougars Concert in town with lights flashing!

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**\*What I remember best about my Ward-Belmont days...** Ward Belmont was a marvelous school for me. A paper came out of my 1<sup>st</sup> year on "How to Study". I tried it and it worked. It said "read your lesson then recount to yourself what it said!" I did this on my Christmas vacation before exams in January 1947. I made high enough grades to get on the honor roll. I was inducted into Pi Theta Kappa Honor Society for Junior Colleges. My 1<sup>st</sup> success in learning! This taught me how to study and I used it to learn foreign languages when I lived overseas. Miss Catherine Winnia, a memorable teacher, was my speech teacher. She looked quite old fashioned to us with her hair pulled back in a low bun on her neck and dark dresses, rather filmy. She had wanted to act on