

2019 CHRISTMAS GREETINGS FROM WISCONSIN

We send our very best wishes for a wonderful holiday and a bright new year. We will enjoy having Wendy's and Barry's families with us this year.

Our year was filled with lots of travel and family activities. Such a blessing! Our travels included a trip to New Orleans in January including a 10 day Caribbean cruise. We enjoyed touring New Orleans, especially the Muffuletta Sandwiches and the Beignets. The WWII Museum was fantastic. Not to be missed if you're ever in NOLA.

In May we were off to Colorado to visit Barry, Becca and family, and to attend Emily's graduation from the Air Force Academy. Oh, my gosh, how exciting that was! To see the culmination of her 4 years of hard work, and getting to shake the President's hand, was just amazing. After several days of graduation activities, we all were invited by Jim and Wendy to join them in the mountains for a couple days at a beautiful log home. Miss those mountains.

The end of June, Rollie and I, along with Wendy and Emily, traveled to Europe for a 7 day cruise in the Mediterranean. We spent a couple days in Barcelona, visiting Valencia, Ibiza, Nice, Marseille, Monte Carlo, and Florence, ending with 3 days in Rome. What a fantastic trip to share this with them.

Everyone was here for a week in July. A summer visit wouldn't be complete without a visit to Gary and Heather's place in Holcombe. Barry joined us in July at Lambeau Field for the stockholders meeting and training camp, and to Oshkosh for the Air Show. And finally our whole family and Gary and Heather's family, including Heather's parents, attended the Packers/Broncos game at Lambeau. Great time.

The other day Rollie mentioned how we were looking forward to having the "little people" with us for Christmas. Well, they are no longer little people. All are taller than me now.

Emily is now a 2nd Lt in the Air Force, currently stationed in TX, awaiting her next assignment.

Kevin is a junior at Dayton University (electrical engineering) and an ROTC cadet.

Andrew is at the University of Cincinnati (mechanical engineering).

Rachel is attending University of Colorado at Colorado Springs and just got engaged to Ben.

Mackenzie is a Sophomore at University of Colorado in Colorado Springs (marketing/innovation)

Josh is a freshman at the University of Hawaii (marine biology).

Katie is a junior at Mount Notre Dame High School.

Alex is a freshman at Fenwick High School.

Wendy has given up two of her five jobs, but still is one busy lady. Jim continues to work from home and coaching volleyball. Barry just received a nice promotion at Space Command, and Becca's business (skin, lashes, brows, etc) is doing great. Rollie is still doing web development on a volunteer basis, and is incredibly busy with the VFW and American Legion. As for me, I do a few activities at church, enjoy my time with friends, and love the yard work.

Blessings to you all during this beautiful season. And may the coming year bring us all peace and contentment.

