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Class of 1934

Adolph O. Garlie lives in Northfield, MN, with his wife Marion. They have six children. He is an AVMA member and was a captain in the U.S. Army Veterinary Corps from 1942-1946.

Gerald H. Long is still practicing medicine 60 years since his graduation from Iowa State. He lives in Mt. Sterling, IL, with his wife Jessie. They have four children: Gerald, Benjamin, Marcellus and Justine. He has been an active leader in area 4-H, FFA and Boy Scout Clubs. Because of his level of community involvement, he has been noted Mt. Sterling Chamber of Commerce Man of the Year twice. He is a life member of the AVMA. He has received honors from the University of Illinois for being the doctor with the longest active practice record and from the Iowa State Alumni Association: 50 year gold pin.

Ernest L. Wentz is retired from the USDA. He and his wife Grace have three children, six grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Class of 1944

Wallace J. Butson is retired from his large animal practice and lives with his wife Winifred in Wells, MN. He has been the owner and operator of Specific Pathogen Free Swine Laboratory and was listed in the 13th edition of Who's Who in the Midwest. Winifred and he have six children.

Wayne F. Chapin, who is retired, lives in Lena, IL, with his wife Hazel. They have two children: Jill and Gary. He was on the local school board from 1960-1969 and president of the Northwest Illinois Veterinary Medicine Association in 1972. He is an AVMA and IVMA member and has been serving on the Highland Community College Board since 1985.

Gerald E. Chapman owns an active large animal practice and lives in Farley, IA, with his wife Carmen. They have ten children: Sheila, Christine, Deborah, Gail, Carla, Denise, Lisa, John, Jeffery and Julie. Chapman is an AVMA and an IVMA member and was a past president of the Dubuque County VMA. He has eight associates; six are Iowa State University graduates.

Warren E. Collins is retired from practice and is living in Kerville, Texas with his wife Gladys. He practiced veterinary medicine for seven years, and was in the Air Force from 1952-1979. While in the Air Force he was stationed in the Philippines, California, Texas, Portugal, and the USAF headquarters in Washington, DC. He also served as Command Veterinarian of the Military Airlift and Strategic Air Command, and was awarded the Legion of Merit. He and his wife have one son, Terry.

Roland Gibbs is retired and lives in Glenwood, IA. He and his wife Malinda, who passed away last year, had four children: Paul, Cathy and Larry. His son William died while serving in the Vietnam War. Gibbs served in the U.S. Veterinary Corps for 25 years and retired as a lieutenant colonel in 1975. He is a member of the AVMA and the IVMA.

Lawrence J. "Mike" Magnall is living in Waverly, IA, with his wife Jean and they have four children: Sheryl, Richard, Paul and Tony. His general practice clinic was in Tripoli, IA, from 1947-1983. He is an AVMA and an IVMA member and has made two overseas trips for HPI.

Arthur J. McIntosh is a retired general practitioner who also spent 10 years with the Iowa Department of Agriculture. He and his wife Elizabeth live in Sun City West, AZ, they have three children: Rebecca, Douglas and Scott. Arthur plays golf and bridge, swims and has two patents. He is involved in: Lapidary,
Silver Craft, Ag Meetings, church choir, Masons, Elks, travel, harmonica band and has completed training at the NADC in Ames for BL 3 infectious diseases. He is a life member of the IVMA.

Peter B. Meerdink retired in 1985 after twelve years with USDA Veterinary Services where he was assigned to Puerto Rico, Florida and Georgia. He lives in Tucson, AZ, with his wife Geneva. They have four children: Gavin, Linda, Debra and Denis. All have pursued a career in medicine, whether it be veterinarian or human. He practiced in Illinois for 30 years after graduating from Iowa State and is a member of the Illinois VMA as well as the Arizona VMA. In 1980, Meerdink worked with USDA's Veterinary Administration Development Program. He enjoys singing barbershop and plays golf.

Robert M. Nims is retired and lives in Ames, IA with his wife Betsy, who graduated with him (1944) from Iowa State in applied arts. Two years of his college career Nims was as an editor of the ISU Veterinarian. They have three children: Robert, Curtis, and Raymond. He is an AVMA member and a charter diplomat for the ACVS. He served in the U.S. Army Veterinary Corps beginning in 1945 and retired as a colonel in 1970. Four of his years in the Corps he was a consultant to the Army Surgeon General of Veterinary Surgery.

Robert E. Norton is retired and living with his wife Viola in McAllen, Texas. He practiced in McAllen with three associates and was past president of TVMA, Rio Grande Valley Veterinary Medical Association, American Veterinary History Society, and Heritage Foundation of Hidalgo County. He was also a member of AVMA, AAAH, and the Hidalgo Historical Commission. He and his wife have three children Trudy, Gary, and Susan.

Irvin E. Peterson is retired from practice. He lives in Minden, NE, with his wife Marjorie. They have three children: David, Mary and Cindy. After graduation from ISU, he served in the army till 1946; then practiced in Omaha until 1963. During this time he was involved with the Omaha stockyards, Animal Med Center Hospital, Animal Health Supply Co., Aksarben(track veterinarian), Nebraska Racing Commission(official Veterinarian), and Omaha-Douglas County Health Dept. (veterinary health inspector). From 1963 to 1971 he practiced in Wakefield, NE, he then worked for the USDA till 1985 when he retired. Since retirement he has been active in church, Lions Club, American Legion, VFN, NE VMA and the AAEP. He has also served as an investigator and expert witness in litigation of death and damage lawsuits involving vaccines.

Robert E. Philbrick retired from small animal practice in 1975 and is living with his wife Doris in Riverside, CA. They have two children: David and Kathy. He is a member of the AVMA, CVMA, and Orange Belt Veterinary Association. Philbrick has received the Stange Award, Order of the Knoll, and Alumni Merit Award from the ISU Club of Chicago. He has also established the Dr. Robert E and Doris Philbrick Scholarship.

Ferrell L. Puckett is retired from mixed practice and lives in Mt. Vernon, IL. He has two children: John and Cheryl. He is a member of the IVMA and Southern Illinois VMA, of which he was president. Puckett is a retired lieutenant colonel of the USAFR. He served 20 years as a member and past president of his local school board.

Glen Sedlczek is retired and has three children: Kathryn, Robert and Donald.

Al Strohbehn lives in Treynor, IA; is retired from his large animal practice of 40 years, and has three children: Ronald, Barry, and Douglas. Strohbehn has been active in his community serving as a councilman for eight years and as mayor for six. He is a member of the IVMA and was president of the Southwest Iowa VMA.

Don Sceli is retired after 35 years of practice and lives in Phoenix, AZ with his wife Joyce. They have three children: Sandra, Debra, Gary. The Scelis have two sets of twins as granddaughters and they are all 18-year-old freshmen in college. Sceli is now a real estate broker and belongs to the Arizona VMA.

Class of 1954

Glen Barrington works primarily with small animals at his full-time practice. He and his wife, Ila, live in Muscatine, IA and have two children: Gwen and Mark. He is a member of the Muscatine Development Corporation and was a president of the Muscatine Chamber of Commerce. Barrington is a member of the IVMA and the Eastern Iowa VMA. His associates are both
Iowa State graduates: Dr. Dale Longtin, 1958; and Dr. Donald Fick, 1964.

**Edwin Branaman** is retired and lives with his wife Kay in Danville, KY. They have four children: Scott, Susan, Gregory and Richard. He is active in the local Jaycees and First Christian Church. Branaman was the director of the veterinary technician program at Morehead State University for one year and was a member of the AVMA for ten years. He currently belongs to the Central Kentucky VMA and Kentucky VMA.

**John A. Bush** is in a mixed animal practice with his son John in Fiora, Indiana. He has served on the Fiora School Board for fifteen years and is a member of AVMA, IVMA, and AASP. John is also a member of the Carroll County Agricultural Hall of Fame. He and his wife Virgina have four children, Jennifer, Jane, John, and Jay, and 7 grandchildren.

**Ted Cox** is currently practicing large animal medicine with Dr. Jim Wasson (ISU ’74) in Armour, South Dakota. He has served on city council and was elected Mayor of Armour. Ted is also the past president of the Interstate Veterinary Medical Association, South Dakota Veterinary Medical Association, and Redeemer Lutheran Church. He has also served as Secretary / Treasurer of the Douglas County Republicans. He and his wife, Pat, have five children Jan, Judy, Ross, Brad and Brian.

**Ross DeWitt** is retiring and lives with his wife June at their homes in Florida and Minnesota. He practiced in Worthington, MN, for 20 years and then went into industry until his retirement. His associates are Dr. L.L. Shane and Dr. John Post(ISU’55).

**Wayne Faber** lives in Le Mars, IA with his wife Ruth and is retired. They have two children: Jay and Heidi. Faber belongs to the Elks, Lions, and Masons. He is a member of the AVMA and the IVMA.

**Robert Hensley** is retiring and lives in Lexington, KY. He is active in the civil rights/civil liberties movement as well as Amnesty International. Hensley was a fencing instructor for 39 years and now belongs to his local flying and skiing clubs.

**Merle Lang** is retired from his general practice of 23 years in Davenport, IA, and his regulatory position of 10 years in Des Moines, IA. He and his wife Bonnie live at their homes in Urbandale, IA, and Lake Huasau City, AZ. The Langs have 5 children, 10 grandchildren and one great-grandson. Lang served as a consultant for NPPC Swine Diseases and is a member of the IVMA, AVMA and VSAHA.

**Donald J. McKenna** retired two years ago as a professor at the University of Illinois and lives in Savory, IL. He was married 44 years and has five children: Marilyn, Marie (B.S. ISU 1979), Monica, Mary Jo (B.B.A. ISU 1984), and Mark. McKenna practiced in Mallard, IA from his graduation at ISU until 1966. For 13 years he had a group practice in Cascade, IA, where his associates all graduated from Iowa State: Dr. Gerald Chapman, 1944; Dr. W.P. Mc Grory, 1953; Dr. Earl Goerd, 1969; and Dr. Deayne Rahe, 1977. McKenna served as a professor at Iowa State for four years until he became a faculty member at U of Illinois in 1983. In 1993, he spent a month in Zimbabwe at the veterinary school in Harare, Africa. He spent three weeks in Russia in 1993 and three more this year with 1954 Iowa State graduate Dr. Jerry Shey as resource persons for Russian private farmers.

**Kenneth McMartin** is retired and lives with his wife Joanne in Massena, IA. The McMartins have four children: Sherry, Greg, Scot and Merry Jo. He has been a member of the American Legion for 48 years. He belongs to the Masons and is currently director of the Union National Bank in Massena.

**Edward J. Murphy** is retired from a large animal practice and is living in rural Council Bluffs, IA with his wife Patricia. They have 5 children: Steven, Laura, James, Michael and Phillip.

**H. C. “Nic” Nicoll** is retired and living in Phoenix, Arizona. He spent twenty years in a large animal practice and fourteen years in industry. He was the President of the Biological Division of Tech America, and was responsible for the development of the first federally licensed Parvovirus vaccine. He and his wife Vivian have three children and three stepchildren.

**Robert J. Nelson** lives with his wife Ellen in Glendale, Wisconsin and is active in a small
animal practice. He is a member of the Milwaukee VMA, the WVMA, AVMA, and the Lions Club. Robert is also an AAHA certified hospital member, and belongs to the Lutheran Church.

Leo M. Schmall is currently the state District Veterinarian for Northeast Iowa. He lives in Marion, Iowa with his wife, June. He is the past-President of the IVMA (1988), and was ordained to permanent Diaconate in 1978. He and his wife have 11 children.

Kenneth L. Turner is a semi-retired swine practitioner in Forreston, Illinois. He is active in the church, school board, and the Lions Club, and is a member of the AVMA. Kenneth was also the Director of the Mutual Insurance Company for 26 years. He and his wife Fay have nine children and 14 grandchildren.

V. A. Votteler retired from the USDA, APHIS in 1993 after having worked in a general practice in Laurens, Iowa for 13 years. He and his wife Pauline are living in Pierre, South Dakota, and have two children, Vicki and Jane.

Barrie D. Watson is retired. He practiced in Iowa for 18 years, taught at the University of Illinois for one year, and practiced in Tanzania, East Africa, Bermuda, and Nassau, Bahamas. He and his wife Mary live in Apalachicola, Florida and have one son, Kirk.

Harry W. Yoder is retired from the USDA Southeast Poultry Disease Research Center where he worked primarily with Mycoplasmal infections of poultry. He was a fourteen year member of a woodcarving class. He and his wife, Patricia, live in Athens, Georgia, and have three children.

Class of 1964

Arthur A. Andersen is presently the lead scientist for Chlamydia research at NADC. He received his M.S. and Ph. D. degrees from the University of Wisconsin, and has worked for the Federal Government at Plum Island Disease Center (1971-1979), and Beltsville, Maryland as a member of the National Program Staff (1979-1982). He is a member of the AVMA, US Animal Health Association, American Association of Avian Pathologists, American Association of Veterinary Diagnostics, and the Coalition of Researchers in Animal Diseases. Arthur and his wife Lucille live in Ames, Iowa and have two children, Kurt and Bryan.

Phyllis C. Burch owns a mixed practice in Hillsboro, Wisconsin. She is a member of the AVMA, WVMA, Coulee Region Association, and the Vernon County Board of Supervisors. She has four children: Val, June, Blanch, and Bill.

John Paul Campbell is a Veterinary Medical Officer for USDA, FSIS in Tolleson, Arizona. He is a member of AVMA, Arizona VMA, and the National Association of Federal Veterinarians. Paul is active in church functions. He and his wife Ruth live in Laveen, Arizona and have three children: Jane, Jon Paul, and Kathy.

Robert M. Christensen is working in a small animal practice in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. He has served on the Agribusiness committee for the Sioux Falls Chamber of Commerce, Sioux Falls Fair Board and City Health Board. He was past president of South Dakota Quarter Horse Association and the SDVMA. He has also served as the National Director for the AQHA, National Alternate Delegate for the SDVMA, and was past director from South Dakota for the Morris Animal Foundation. Robert is also a member of the South Dakota Horse Council. He and his wife Linda have four children: Heather, Eric, Robbie, and Andrea.

Donald D. Fick is in a general practice in Muscatine, Iowa with two associates. He is an active member of the Wesley Methodist Church, and is involved in numerous community, school, and church activities. His hobbies include restoring old cars, specifically a 1930 Model A, and a 1967 Buick Wildcat Convertible. He and his wife Barbara enjoy spending time with their five children, James, Jeffery, David, Daniel, and Jill Ann, and their seven grandchildren.

L. D. Hauptineier is retired from a four person practice and living in Overton, Nebraska with his wife, Phyllis. He is a member of AVMA, NVMA, AAVP, and the Trinity Lutheran Church. He and his wife have four children, Becky, Tyler, Beth, and Sara.

John D. Lanz is retired from mixed practice in Pender, Basseh, and Waneta, NE. He and his wife, Peggy, live in Norfolk, NE and have two sons, Thomas and Michael.
John H. Miller is currently employed by the USDA as a Veterinary Medical Officer. He previously practiced large animal medicine in Ackley, Colesburg, and Riceville, Iowa. He is a member of AVMA, IVMA, and the Association of Federal Veterinarians. He and his wife, Janice, live in Treynor, Iowa. They have four children: Heath, Christine, Scot, and Mark.

David D. Nighswonger is active in a mixed animal practice with his partner in Hawarden, Iowa. He is a member of AVMA, and AASP. He and his wife Connie have two sons, Bart and Ben.

Keith C. Rolston is working as a senior partner in a mixed animal practice with seven associates in Sheldon, Iowa. He is active in the Sheldon Chamber of Commerce, Sheldon Industrial Development Corp., and has held Local, Regional, and State office positions. Keith was also the president of the IVMA in 1990. He and his wife Janice have four children: Kecia, Liesl, Marni, and Nathan.

Richard Eugene Schmidt is retired from a large animal practice in Lodi, WI. He is a member of AVMA, WVM, AABP, the Lodi Presbyterian Church, the Optimist Club, and has served six years on the local school board. He and his wife, Vonda Lee, have three children: Joy, Jill, and Ted.

Mac Sickles is retired and living in Mt. Ayr, IA. He is a member of AVMA, IVMA, Southcentral IVMA, and is an ordained minister of the Apothecary Church. He has two children, Jim and Julie.

James W. Sievers is a general practitioner in Slater, IA. He is on the Ballard School Board, and is a member of the ISU Veterinary Medicine Alumni Association. He is also a fire department volunteer. He and his wife, Mary Grace, have three children, Scott, Lori, and Beth.

Borge M. Ulland is active in research pathology in Hillsboro, VA. He is a Diplomate of the ACVP (1976), and a member of the AVMA, the Society of Toxicology, and the Society of Toxicological Pathologists. He and his wife, Susan, have a daughter, Amy.