

Why Campbell High 62 classmates are grateful or thankful

Linda (Straight) Nilsen - I'm grateful that our family has stayed well. I'm grateful for having a vaccine provided for us and I urge those resisting getting vaccinated to consider the terrifying days before vaccines were common. As kids, we suffered with measles, mumps, scarlet fever, and then, of course, the polio epidemic. When vaccines were finally available, our families were overjoyed. I am grateful for scientists that have worked diligently to offer us a Covid vaccine so quickly. I also pray that we can set aside our political differences and unite as Americans, for the common good for all.

Diana (Runner) Elizondo - I'm grateful for my family and for the grace that even COVID has shown us, in that they are all healthy, connected and continuing to work at the jobs they love. I'm grateful for being able to stay connected with so many friends with whom I volunteer and to continue to serve families in need in my community during these very difficult times. Last but not least, I'm thankful to Lynda for the creative and heartwarming monthly updates that arrive like big hugs the first of each month.

Brenda (Valentine) Dyckman - Truly grateful for each day and the possibilities they present.

Craig Bradford - As this world faces so much uncertainty, it's always heartwarming to look back to our Campbell High School days when life seemed so much simpler. In that context and like so many other Buccaneers, I am deeply grateful for my classmates at Campbell High . . . plus our incredible teachers led by a truly amazing Principal and his counselors, who persistently enhanced our respective futures in ways that many of us couldn't comprehend at the time. That foundation clearly helped each of us to move forward to achieve our dreams and influence others constructively. Indeed, the City of Campbell remains a very special place. A precious beginning for each of us.

Sandy (Woods) Nelson - I'm grateful for all the years we all shared high school together at Campbell High. It was a wonderful school. It had great teachers and I made lots of friends and had many happy memories. Unfortunately, a lot of my friends from high school have passed away. But we did share many great times especially at all the football games every Friday night. **Lynda Smith** I'm grateful for the friends & family who have touched my life and provided the inspiration to keep putting one foot in front of the other. And the friends that are no longer here, who have left their imprint on my heart, leaving lovely memories.

Shelley Hancock I am thankful for my son and daughter, who are healthy, independent, interesting adults. I'm thankful for my 9-year-old granddaughter who fills my life with silliness, questions, physical activity and joy. My granddaughter's puppy who I take for walks each day. For my home, for the environment surrounding me, for longtime friendships, for my parents and parents-in-law, for the adventures I shared with my husband, for people of all ages who reach out to make our planet cleaner, kinder, safer. As my dad would say, "family is what matters" and I take those words to mean, ALL people, everywhere.

Darrell Dearborn I'm thankful for a loving, supportive family. I'm thankful for a long retirement in good health that's allowed me to join volunteer projects in 6 countries to help others and have a purpose.

Gail (Perry) Wilder-Stewart I have so many things to be thankful for. Family is of course first, then to have 5 Grandchildren. I received a new cell phone from ATT for free - that was great. I actually am so happy about my little 60 year old house that my Grandmother lived in. I am grateful for the income I have that allows me to buy groceries. I am so blessed to live in USA/California despite the high cost of living. I am thankful for friends and family that have passed away. I got to know them, love them, and now pray for them.

Blessings to all things large and small on this earth.

Sharon (Janes) Lueck I'm in the midst of some very sad losses, so being grateful is a challenge at the moment. However, it is also the time to remind oneself not to circle into the dark and make yourself be aware of the many blessings one has had and continues to have in this amazing life. Easier said than done, but I do not hesitate to list at the very top of my blessings, my family. They sustain me and remind me of how blessed I am to have them all.

James Mazzeo I'm so very grateful for my family, my up bringing, and Mr. Quigley who recognized a spark of Creativity within me, he ignited a burning fire of inspiration and self belief for me to create a life of dancing with my Muse all these years. My life has been wonderfully full and continues to lure me with a very strong belief that the glass is only half full, the best is yet to come.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS EVERYONE!

Bob Lara I'm grateful for my Father moving our family from Southern Texas to Campbell after the War. My life was enriched by growing up in a small, friendly city, with great schools and teachers.

Diane (Johnson) Chenoweth I am grateful for the gift of life and for my basic good health. I am grateful for my family and their loving support. I am grateful for friends near and far who have

shared experiences. I am grateful for the beauty and mysteries of nature. I am grateful to have experienced Love in many forms.

Paul Morey My life has been more than I could have hoped for. That was considerably influenced by the strong foundation on which I built. I am so grateful for the four years I lived on Rosemary Lane, and my four years at Campbell High. We lived at a time and place where we didn't have to deal with drugs, bullies, gangs, or racial hatreds. My teachers were great. I am so grateful for San Jose State, were I got a first-class education, on a thin dime. I was accepted into their Humanities Program, a liberal arts sub-degree with their finest professors. It taught us how to think critically: no PC bullshit! I am most grateful for meeting my wife at SJSU. She has dedicated her life to providing an American Dream homelife for her family, and keeping me focused on what is really important to our happiness. May you all have much to be grateful for this Thanksgiving.

Hi Lynda, Thank you for keeping your fellow classmates informed and all the time you give each month. If it is not too late, here is my entry.

Maxine (Flaxbeard) Cintas I am thankful for God in my life, my family and church family, my friends, good health and a nice, comfortable home where I can turn on heat or air as needed. I'm also thankful for my freedom and living here in the USA. I feel very blessed!

Jeff Arnold Everyday I remember to be thankful for having food to eat, a roof over my head, my family and my friends. There are a lot more things I am thankful for but those are the top of my list.

Jeanne (Gault) Hinojosa I am thankful for everything! The hard or challenging moments in life that help me to see what kind of a person I am and give me pause to want to do better and the delightful times. Enjoying the beauty of the physical world we live in and being in awe of nature and the human spirit. We are incredible human beings! I'm thankful for the moments when some of us aren't so incredible and others who are in a higher state of mind can come to the rescue. I'm in awe each day being on this ball in space.

Joseph Cefalu Grateful for Family and friends.

Cherie (Day) Newland

I am thankful for

my past, the friends I made, and the experiences it brought me to what I value today.

I am grateful for

the kindnesses showed to me because they gave me hope for the future.

I am thankful for

each day

because it is there I make cherished memories.

and...

I am thankful for your asking because you care and I am alive to answer.

Blessings to you and for you,

Happy Thanksgiving to all my classmates,