

July 2021

What a grand month! Family time to the max. Ellen and Tiffany planned and hosted a 60th Anniversary celebration for us on July 3rd. The event held in the Christian Church basement was attended by at least 16 family members plus numerous local friends. The family came in from Texas, Kansas and Wyoming. While our anniversary was in March, with school and weather in the spring, July 4th weekend was a far better time for everyone to get together to celebrate. The family present included Ellen and Dewey; Danaë with her dog, Bear; Corbin and Rainy; Sydney and Nick – all of these are part of Ellen and Dewey's family, all from various places in Texas. Joining the group from Wyoming were Willard, Tiffany, Isabelle and Violet. Kansas visitors included Jonathan, Walter, Ronnie and Peggy, and Beth and George, plus Georgia Lee. The party continued on July 4th with a picnic in the park with food prepared by chef Willard with plenty of assistance from Tiffany. Daytime fireworks kept Isabelle and Violet entertained for the afternoon. For the evening, we gathered in the front yard to be entertained by an almost 3-hour fireworks show. We had three men wearing t-shirts that read “Fireworks Director – If I Run, You Run!” With a massive arsenal of fireworks, they entertain our family and the neighbors for nearly three hours. Even though it was near midnight when the show was over, most of the family had to leave early on July 5th in order to be home for work the next day. All said they are looking forward to July 2022!

ANNIVERSARY PARTY



Fireworks!



Rock Springs

As the family left to head home, Ellen and Dewey took us in our suburban to follow Willard and Tiffany back to Wyoming. The trip was to (1) see Willard and Tiffany's new house and (2) to visit with Jessica and her two sons who came from Port Orchard, WA. Thus we had 11 at Willard's place for the better part of a week. Of course we were given the royal tour of the Rock Springs area, including the BLM corrals for wild horses. The girls favorite park / playground and the community indoor aquatic center were also high on the 'must see' list. Since Rock Springs has a Village Inn restaurant, Willardene insisted on visiting it a couple of times. Hope by the next time we are able to visit, they will at least have a bathroom finished in the huge basement – that way Isabelle won't have to move out of her room for grandma and grandpa. Violet lost her bedroom to Jessica and the boys, Ezra and Charlie James. We had a very enjoyable visit and thank Willard and Tiffany for having us and keeping us entertained!



The End!