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## BIOGRAPHY

When I left school in 1955, I worked one year for Clifton's Super Mkt. I then went to the U.S. Air Force the 19<sup>th</sup> of June, 1956. I was in Basic Training in California. After Basic Training, I was sent to Wyoming for Tech School. My 1st assignment after training was South Carolina. I came home in December, 1956 on leave as I was being reassigned to Clark Field in the Philippines for an 18 month tour. While I was home, I met Pauline at King Tower on New Year's Eve, 1956. I left January '57 for the Philippines and came home in July '58. Pauline and I were married August 17, 1958. We moved to Lake Charles, LA where our first daughter, Debora, was born. I was reassigned to Oscoda, Michigan, where our 2<sup>nd</sup> daughter, Peggy, was born, then reassigned to Sheyma, AK, the next to last island on the Aleutian chain of islands. My family stayed in IA for these 13 months. Our 3<sup>rd</sup> daughter, Pamela was born and she was 6 months old before I saw her for the first time. I was then in bases in KS, MI, CO, and AK where I spent my last 6 years in the military service, retiring after 20+ years. We came back to Tama. I worked at Grinnell College, Hy-Vee, managed Casey's Stores, worked at Tama Meat Packing, and the Tama News Herald. Due to my health, I retired in 1984. I babysat with our youngest daughter's baby boy for 4 days a week from the time he was 3 months old. He is in school all day now. I have now opened a small store called "Sarge's Variety Store".

We have two granddaughters, one grandson, and a grandson who was killed before he turned 5 by a drunk driver.

I got my G.E.D. in the service and received a very nice letter from Ben Jones, Tama Supt., advising me I was a graduate of the class of 1956.