

Betty & Denny Wrap up 2021

A year of personal landmarks: we both turned 75 and just a few days ago celebrated our 55th wedding anniversary. DA_DAA!!!

And we're not s-l-o-w-w-ing-----do-----wn-----a-----bit.

No, it's just the world getting faster.

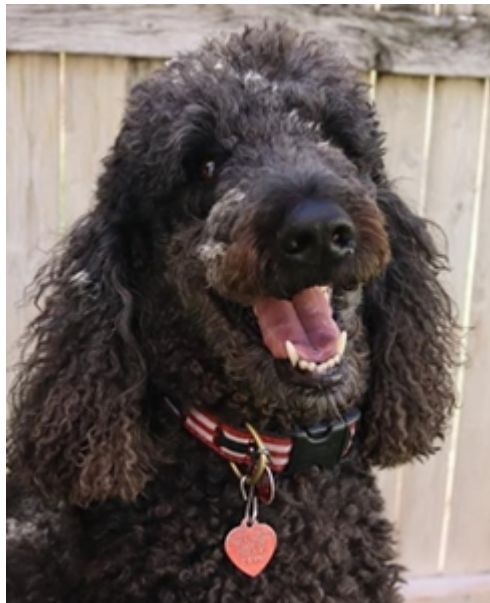
We did manage some travel after vaccinations and boosters and during covid lulls: car trips to the Chesapeake area (spring there, still winter here), New England (Maine coast, Mass. and RI – a yummy evening at the Matunuck Oyster Bar!). Spring and late fall by air to Portland to see Graham & family w/side trips to Utah and San Diego.



*One of our favorite 2021 visits... in
Queen Califia's Magic Circle,
Escondido [near San Diego]*

Vermont summers are hard earned, and we relished time with local friends and out-of-town visitors, both in Essex Junction and at Metcalf Pond. (Especially missed as the outside temperature is below 20 as we write this!)

Family notes... the Swaim family (Katherine working in Boston, Laura taking a gap year due to covid interference with her program at Edinburgh, and Matt a senior at Shrewsbury HS) all well and prospering. Ditto for Graham and Liz and the Bouldin grandchildren (Natalie, 7th grade ballerina, Lillian, 4th grade ball of fire). Dennis' mother, Mary Ann, turned 94 and while still confined at her home not far from us, is as "with it" as ever – though possibly addicted to sandwiches from roasted Costco chickens. We would be glad to report that Theo has matured into a 100% well-behaved poodle. (Notice "would be" as opposed to "are".)



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Dennis' extracurriculars...still involved with the AARP taxaide program {especially challenging with

pandemic restrictions} and [The Burlington Writers Workshop](#). Golf game not getting any better, except (freak occurrence if there ever was one) an eagle 2 on the par 4 7th hole at West Bolton – not a hole in one, but at least a hint of the thrill/shock.



All our best to you and yours

... and stay in touch!

Betty & Dennis

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