

Memories of Azusa High School

Name: Cheryl Burlingame Dillard

Favorite song: Theme from a Summer Place, Angel Baby, Unchained Melody, It's Now or Never, All I Have to Do is Dream, Georgia On My Mind, Smoke Gets in Your Eyes, At Last, I Can't Help Falling in Love, Cathy's Clown. etc... toooooo many favorites

Favorite subject: English Literature and Biology

Favorite teacher: Mr. Brown

Favorite hangout: Coffee Dan's, Baker's Tacos, A&W and Bob's Big Boy

Favorite food: Mexican food at Carmen's and El Patio, hamburgers & fries at In & Out Burger, strips and frozen bananas at the beach

Favorite school activity: Majorettes , drill team and sock hops in the gym

Favorite summer activity: Going to the beach with friends, playing tennis, and water skiing

Favorite outfit: Periwinkle blue wool pleated skirt & matching angora sweater

First car: 1956 yellow Plymouth convertible

First date: Nancy Webster and I double-dated with two boys from West Covina

First kiss: Don Funk - in his '58 Chevy

Christmas dance date: Butch Lightfoot (junior year) Kelly Mashburn from Glendora (senior year)

Senior prom date: Kelly Mashburn

Biggest crush: Chris Englund

Biggest distraction: Sitting next to Don Funk in Mr. Brown's English class

Fondest memory: Performing in parades and at football games.

Funniest moment: At an all-class assembly during a movie. Halfway through the movie Milton, my mixed-breed dog of dubious origin, walked in and sat down on the gym floor right in front of the screen and watched the remainder of the movie with the student body (he watched TV all the time so he felt right at home). Everyone laughed and my face turned red when the loudspeaker blared, "Cheryl Burlingame, please take your dog home."

Most embarrassing moment: Just before our senior awards ceremony started, class governor, Don Folz, told me that I had received an Outstanding Citizenship award from the American Legion and that I

should sit in the awards section of the gym with the others who were receiving awards. By the end of the assembly after he had called each person to come up on stage to receive his/her award except me, I thought Don had played a cruel practical joke on me (as friends we were always joking around with each other). Later that day the award finally arrived at the school office and Don was off the hook. Since it didn't show up in time for the assembly Don forgot to add my name to the awards list and therefore, didn't call my name.

Most frightening experience: Don Funk was driving us back from a day at the beach and it started to rain. The roads were slick and when he slammed on the brakes he started to slide and crashed his car. I believe we were juniors at the time.

Biggest accomplishment (personal): Learning to ride a surfboard in San Clemente the summer of my junior year.

Best summer vacation: Every summer from elementary school through high school I vacationed with my family at Camp Azusa on Lee Vining Creek just off the Tioga Pass in the Sierra Nevada Mountains near Yosemite. My father was an avid fisherman, and we spent the entire three weeks of our vacations fishing the high lakes, catching grasshoppers and hellgrammites for bait, hiking in the mountains, and swimming in Mono Lake and the much colder June Lake.

Tied for best: I also spent two-three weeks every summer at my grandparents' house in San Clemente where I body-surfed, rode horses on the beach, and played Hearts and Gin Rummy with my grandfather.