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After several years with Monsanto, I joined the marketing communications group at Signetics Corp. A couple of years later, I moved to Zitel Corp., a startup company supplying solid state memory boards and where I met my future husband, Gary. Over the 20+ years I reported to Zitel's three presidents/CEOs, the company went public, moved into solid state memory systems, added software, eventually divested the hardware products and concentrated on the software products, and finally filed for bankruptcy. I'm currently working at a software company located in downtown San Jose. My husband is working at a flash memory storage provider in Milpitas.

A couple of years after getting married, we bought a house in south San Jose where our son, Steven, joined us a few years later. He recently graduated from San Diego State University with a Bachelor of Arts degree and is now working for the San Jose Sabercats.

Our goal is to retire in about 4 or 5 more years so we can enjoy trout fishing in the mountains, bowling until we get a 200 game and live a cheaper lifestyle in Nevada.



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