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It occurred to me that it might be interesting to write down all of the major trips I have been on. I especially want to list each trip to a foreign country, including Canada and Mexico. This will be one quick framework of my life.

I will not try to list all of the trips I made within the U.S. but I will outline some of them.

U.S. Trips

California:

I lived in [Monterey](#), California for the first half of 9th grade, in the fall of 1953, while my father studied Spanish at the army language school at the Persidio in Monterey. Madge and attended the Junipero Memorial Catholic high-school and we lived in a housing area next to Fort Ord, then a large training base. We had driven to California from the East Coast. We had been living in Carlisle, Pennsylvania, and visited family in Tampa and Abingdon before driving to California in the 1952 Packard daddy had bought in order to have a nice big car for Venezuela.

I have visited California between 10 and 15 times over the years. On most trips I saw Andy Stokes. I went out to interview for Mattel around 1969, out at least twice to Palo Alto for Brownson, Rehmus, and Foxworth, twice on the way to Australia and back, though I only spent days there on one of those trips. Phyllis have been out three times to visit her daughter Jessica, including last Christmas, 2016. I also attend Educause in Annaheim while at Hofstra, and attended an Apple Developer's Conference on one trip. I also went out to join Andy to go to the Burning Man Festival in 2015.

U.S. Trips

While in college and graduate school at M.I.T. I drove, or flew, back and forth to Atlanta a number of times, often in a car full of students sharing expenses for the trip. The last year or two I was going back and forth to Tampa.

When I went on active duty in the army I took a “hop” on a DC 3 from Macdill to Washington, DC, possibly changing planes along the way. I was headed to Fort Belvoir of the Engineer officers’ basic training course.

Over the last 15 years I have attended about 10 Caracas reunion gatherings in the U.S. at various locations (New Orleans, Tampa, Houston (twice), Galveston, Dallas (I think), Phoenix, Tuscon, St. Louis, [New Mexico ?] and maybe others. I will mention St. Croix separately as it was outside the U.S. There was another on the coast of Virginia last year. I maintained a web page with pictures from these reunions for years.

I attended 3 or 4 class reunions at M.I.T. I was at the 10, 25th and 50th, and maybe the 35th. All were at M.I.T. in Boston.

I attended about 8 separate weeks at Pinewood Camp in Plymouth, Massachusetts. All were folk music weeks. I also visited Sarita and Arlin Roy in Provincetown, at the end of Cape Cod, Mass, at least 5 times.

In 1969 I went from Columbus, Indiana, to Washington, D.C, to attend a national conference on Artificial Intelligence.

While in Indiana I made several business trips to New York city, one to Boston, two to Houston. On one of the trips to Houston, Brendan Macdonald and I spent a night in New Orleans. I also visited New Orleans with my son, Paul, this year (2017), and went there with Barry Germond twice, once for Sherry Ross’s daughter’s wedding and once on the way back from Mexico.

I visited Mobile four times to see my cousin Emery. The first time was on a long solo car trip in a big old station wagon I loved, two were with Rosalie for Christmas, and one was with Phyllis and Rosalie where we flew to Tampa and drove back and forth to Mobile.

I went to my cousin, Harriet’s, wedding in Richmond and Markham’s wedding in Louisville.

In two or more years I flew to Tampa and drove up with my parents to visit Abingdon. My father and I went to Abingdon from Tampa for the auction of Aunt Kathleen’s house stuff and again, I think, for Uncle Jimmy’s funeral.

While at Hofstra I attended at least four Educause conferences (Atlanta, Seattle, Philadelphia, Montreal).

While working at home as a programmer I attend 4 or more UCSC Pascal conference. One was in Salt Lake City and one was in nearby Connecticut. One may also have been in Chicago and maybe one in California.

I attended about 8 weeks of conferences on Star Island (Isle of Shoals off Portsmouth, New Hampshire) The first 5 or so were for Religious Education. I attended at least IRAS (Institute for Religion and Science) and one All Star week.

I visited my son Matt while he lived in Yellow Springs, Ohio (Antioch) and while he was working near Jacksonville, Florida for three months. I visited my son Paul while he attended Lynchburg College – twice to see him in a musical, once to audition for a music scholarship, which he got, and once for graduation.

Since marrying Phyllis Haile in 2012 we have been on a number of trips to visit here children. Twice to visit Rachel and Nick in Chicago, many times to Durham, NC to see Adam, Heather and Josie, and several times to see & Assad n California. We also went to Annapolis for two nights over Thanksgiving this year (2017), and went to Carolina Beach for new years a few years ago after Adam and family left us in Durham to go to Joy's wedding (Bill Haile's wife after he and Phyllis were divorced).

In addition to the cruise I will mention below, my father and I went on a great trip to St. Augustine, Florida to help me learn Baya family history, including a visit to New Smyrna, where the first Bayas in the U.S. had immigrated. There were also a number of trips to Aunt Gregory's house on Casey Key, South of Tampa. There was also a trip with Daddy and my sons, after mother died, to a Pocahontas reunion near Jamestown, VA, and to visit V.M.I. Daddy drove up to New York one time with Rosalie, and I and my sons joined him for a trip back to Tampa. Along the way we went to Knoxville to visit the World's fair.

Though this is really a separate area I want to mention every summer after I was divorced I took my son's down to Tampa and spent days, and a few weeks, at the cabin on Church Lake. Those are some of my happiest memories, especially while mother was still alive. We drove down and back every time except once when we took the train down. The boys hated it and we ended up buying a big Mercury

and drove it back. It was Susan Ferrante's (Madge's partner) father's car. He had died that year.

I took numerous trips to Orlando to go to Disney World with my sons, and later with cousins and Emery's children (Reenie, Ryan and Joe). We usually went there and back the same day, from Tampa, but once we stayed over for a two day visit.

I have been to Key West, Florida, three times. Twice I was with Paul, and once with Phyllis. I liked Key West a lot, mainly the pier and the downtown bars and stores along the main street.

I took one business trip to Amarillo, Tx while working for Fred Brownson.

I went to Alabama for a week with Emory & Henry students to hurricane relief work after Hurricane ??.

I went to Georgia for the wedding of my cousin Sally Joe's son, Matt Magnus. I also went to Reenie's wedding in Mobile. I attended Emery and Cathy;s wedding, in Clearwater I think. Cathy was the step daughter of my Uncle Henry. Her mother was Millie.

I have visited my son Paul in Miami, Fl, at least three times.

If I think of more trips within the U.S. worth mentioning I will add them here.

Travel Abroad

I was born in Tampa, Florida on July 31, 1939. The U.S. entered World War 2 when Pearl Harbor was attacked on Dec 7, 1941. My father's National Guard unit was activated in 1942 and he was overseas for most of the time until he returned after Japan surrendered on September 2, 1945. He returned to Abingdon shortly after that and began to work in the Pentagon in Washington, D.C.

I started first grade in Abingdon. I assume my mother moved to Abingdon during the war and we were here for several years. We moved to Falls Church, Virginia and I completed first grade there in 194. Within a few years we moved to Fairlington, Virginia (3516 S 35th ST) and remained there until early 1950 when we moved to England. That was my first overseas trip.

Though I am tempted to continue with the details of where we lived and schools I attended, this document is supposed to summarize the trips out of the country and I will try to focus on that and add in the detail later.

In early 1950 our family sailed from New York City to South Hampton, England on a U.S. Army transport ship named the General Patch. On the trip over we were alerted that SS United States would pass us at a certain time. They were on there way to breaking the record for time for crossing the Atlantic by passenger liner. We did see her, a mile or two away in the fog. Our ship blew its fog horn, but they did not respond.

USAT General Alexander M. Patch (1946 - 1950)

Specifications:

Displacement 9,676 t.(lt) 20,120 t.(fl)

Length 608' 11"

Beam 75' 6"

Draft 26' 11"

Speed 19 kts.

Complement

Officers 38

Enlisted 361

Troop Accommodations

Officers 280

Enlisted 4,431



While in England we went on a number of trips, including one to Torquay where we stayed for several days. We also took a trip to Europe. We took our car, a Wyllis Jeep Station Wagon, on the ferry (probably to Calais) and drove around France, Germany, Ilchtenstein, and (I think) Austria and Switzerland. We may also have gone into Holland.

We returned from England in the spring of 1952 on the General Rose, (a sister ship to the General Patch). We sailed from South Hampton to New York City. The Soies famly (Col. Gage Spies, wife, and daughters Margy and Mimi were on both ships with us. We had also known them before going to England,