



# WE MOVED BACK TO JASPER PLACE

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In the past two editions I told you about growing up in Jasper Place and going to school in Jasper Place. Soon after completing school at Jasper Place High School, I became engaged to another student from school, Ted, and we married the following year. For some strange reason we moved to an apartment on the South Side of the city, and for four years I wandered around there trying to figure out where I was. I am really a Jasper Place girl at heart. We discovered after the four years that we were going to have a family, and as we had enough money saved for a reasonable down payment, we started looking for a house in Jasper Place – we both grew up there and wanted to raise our family there. We found a modest bungalow on 145 Street that met our needs, and we moved in. It was not an elaborate house but it was a home. There is a difference.

When we first moved into the house in 1959, we had a milkman with a horse and I loved to hear the clip-clop coming down the street. He came every day – rain, shine or snow – what a concept. We also had a bread man that delivered bread every day. Our front street was gravel and could be really messy in the Spring. Our neighborhood has quite a lot of history. A few doors

down from us is where Marek Jablonski, the world-renowned pianist, lived and when he was a young man practicing on a summer afternoon, if I was working in the garden, I would get a free concert. In a house across the street is where Robert Goulet's first wife lived. Both of these entertainers have passed now.

We were very comfortable in our new house, and we raised a pretty good bunch of kids. First was our eldest daughter, Michele who also writes for The SPURR, then we had one son, Terry, and then two more daughters, Jackie and Francine. They were all lucky in that they only had a few blocks to go to school, first to St. Gregory's Elementary, then St. Vincent's Junior High, and finally to Archbishop MacDonald High School. They never had to take a bus.

This has been a very good neighborhood. We have seen young boys and girls grow up to be handsome and beautiful people, and quite a few of them have returned to the neighborhood to raise their families. There are a lot of young families that have moved in, and my biggest hope in life is to be able to see some of their little ones grow up to be fine young men and women. My little neighbor next door, Connor, is only four but he calls me his "girlfriend". I think I will

be heartbroken when he grows up and gets a real girlfriend.

A few of the families that moved in around the time that we did, such as the Haucks and the Mounts, are still here, so that says a lot for the community, doesn't it. People just don't like to move away. We have roots.

It will be 50 years next March since we moved here, and I never intend to leave – well, I guess I will some day, but even then we have already planned our next move to Westlawn Cemetery in Jasper Place. Are you surprised?

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