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Larry Harvey

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Larry Harvey was born in Burbank in 1948 and raised in North Hollywood, California. Attended North Hollywood High School and graduated in 1966. One of seven siblings, his family and home life were very busy, therefore he wanted to find a way to stick out from the big group of siblings. His older brother joined the United States Army, so he decided to join the United States Air Force (USAF). He joined the USAF after graduating high school, and served for four years.

When Harvey joined, he was serving during the time of the Vietnam War, a war to prevent the spread of communism, but he wasn't stationed in Vietnam, he was stationed in the city of Neu-Ulm, Germany. Before being sent to Germany, like every other soldier, had to go through basic training. His training camp was located in Amarillo, Texas, a very hot and over bearing state in California. But Harvey described the experience as a "piece of cake", since he played sports in high school he was already physically fit for the training.

He was stationed in Neu-Ulm town, a small town in Germany, served 4 years in the USAF but never saw combat. His job was an Administrative Specialist and a part-time Projectionist. An Administrative Specialist's a job title that is commonly associated with a secretary or an administrative assistant, but a specialist has more responsibilities like managing events. One of the first guys he met in service was a Master Sergeant and became good friends. When leaving the service the highest rank he achieved was a Sergeant.

After Harvey returned home from the serving for four years, he got married to his lovely wife, Lynda, in St. Mary Magdalene Church in 1973. He had many different jobs, they varied from cooking Mexican food to driving Coca Cola trucks. Harvey is now retired, with his wife and three children, and 5 grandchildren. Mr. Harvey still enjoys to look back on the times when he served.