

Dr. Floyd Brandt Pampa High School Class of 1947



Dr. Brandt has commented that a sixty year friendship and love affair began in 1938 when the eight year old Floyd Brandt and his family moved into a house across the alley from Norma Pirtle. After a dozen years in the Pampa School System, he graduated from Pampa High School in 1947 and she in 1948. He left for college in California, Lubbock and Ann Arbor Michigan and she attended T.C.U. and the University of Texas before returning to Pampa to teach seventh grade in the old junior high school building on Cuyler Street.

When he returned to Pampa after completing his masters degree at the University of Michigan, they became engaged before he joined the Army during the Korean War. In 1953, three days after he completed the US army Field Artillery Officer Candidate School, they were married in the First Presbyterian Church in Pampa during a December snow storm.

After three years in the Army, they moved to Massachusetts for four years where they had two babies, and one degree. Their daughter, Mary, is a pediatric surgeon on the faculty of the Baylor Medical School in Houston and their son Stan is the owner of Brandt Communication Services Company, a communications and cabling company in Houston. Dr. Brandt holds a bachelor's degree from Texas Tech, (yea, Texas Tech) a Master's in Business Administration from the University of Michigan and a doctorate from Harvard University.

He is the Meyerson Business Professor Emeratus at the University of Texas. He has taught at several universities in the United States including Harvard and universities in France and South Africa in addition to his teaching at the University of Texas.

Dr. Brandt has received four major teaching awards including the Business Foundation Life Time Award for Teaching Excellence. In 1996 he was inducted into the Graduate School of Business Hall of Fame.

During his 40 year teaching career, he authored and co-authored twelve books, several dozen oral business history projects which resulted in thirteen publications and ten monographs. Currently, he is casually working on two books; one of children's stories and one on hope.

At the University of Texas, he has served as Department Chairman, Assistant to the president, and numerous other positions. In addition, he has consulted with dozens of companies and organizations and is currently serving on four corporate boards and one hospital advisory board.

Dr. Brandt is an Eagle Scout (Troop 14, Pampa, Texas) and is an elder in the Presbyterian Church.

Dr. Brandt is an outstanding example for all Pampa High School students. He has filled his life with family, church, education, consulting, and writing.

Dr. Brandt has remained proud of his experiences and education at Pampa High School, and credits this background for his many accomplishments.