Sidebar on Family

Scot's parents, Vern and Patsy, grew up in Bellingham, Washington and both were members of Central Lutheran Church, Bellingham.

Vern attended the US Merchant Marine Academy and graduated in 1951. He served in the Navy and was stationed in Korea during the Korean War. They were married in 1953. After the war, Vern was stationed in Japan, and Scot's brother Marc was born in 1955. Scot was born in 1957 when his Dad was stationed in Coronado, CA.

The family settled in Huntington Beach in 1961. Vern left the navy and from 1961 until retirement in 1995 worked at the port of L.A./Long Beach - most often as a stevedore superintendent.

The family were charter members of Grace Lutheran (Huntington Beach) in 1965.

Patsy attended one year of college (Western Washington). A back injury and subsequent back surgery was the beginning of a lifetime of health troubles. She died the Saturday before Palm Sunday in 2009, and Vern died the Tuesday after Easter 2023.

Both Patsy and Vern were active in church, Vern serving on Church Councils and call committees, and Patsy as the head of the altar guild and arranging fresh flowers every Sunday for 20+ years.

Upon high school graduation Marc, too, attended the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy (Kings Point) in Great Neck, NY. He graduated in 1977 and has lived on Long Island since. He and his wife Linda have four children and six grandchildren. Marc, like Vern, worked in the shipping industry for a Norwegian company that transported autos around the world.