

# Merry Christmas

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**Minnesota**

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Ken & Dorothy

Minnesota

Dorothy & I would like to wish you and your family a **Merry Christmas!**

It now been a year since we moved back to Minnesota to be closer to some of the kids and grandchildren.

We enjoyed our time in New Mexico, but its nice to be back in the mid-west. We exchanged our mountain views for views of the Minnesota River valley. To be honest, I'm still warming up to the idea of living in the frozen tundra with my buddies the mosquitos. But spending more time with family makes it worth it.

Both of us are looking forward to having the entire family together for Christmas! Kevin and his family will be making the journey across the pond for the holidays. This will be the first time the Minnesota clan has had a chance to meet all Kevin & Karina's children. In addition, my sister & her husband will be joining us from Kansas City. Bringing the total to 16 holiday revelers! Please join us, in praying for their safe travels.



We have dialed back our travel adventures to focus on turning our new house into our home. The "honey do" project list never seems to get smaller. Silly me, I thought being retired was going to be relaxing?



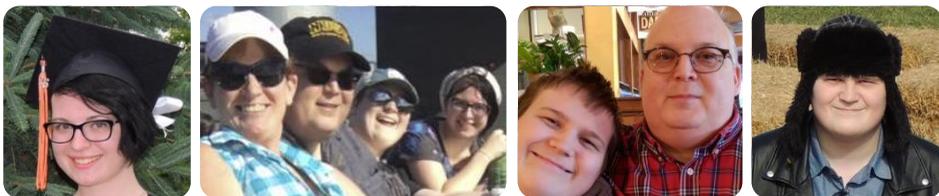
Dorothy & I did manage to squeeze a couple trips into the calendar this year. Our first adventure included a cruise from Vancouver to Alaska, then we spent a week exploring Alaska's back roads from our home base in Anchorage. This fall my sister Kathy & her husband Dennis joined us for a quick get away to Door County WI. On our way back, I was able to cross off a bucket list item "Experience the cranberry harvest".



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## Ken, Rachel, Sara & Ethan

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Ken Jr. & Rachel continue to call the beautiful state of Minnesota home. Sara celebrated her high school graduation in June and is now studying art at North Dakota State in Fargo (yes Fargo, it wasn't cold enough in Minnesota). Ethan started high school this year. Where did the time go, they are all grown up now. One of the side benefits of being back in Minnesota is that we get to spend more time with Ken and his family.

## Kevin, Karina, Elijah, Tristan & Willow

Germany



Kevin & Karina continue to call Germany home. The big news from Germany in October of 2015 was the addition of Willow our youngest grand daughter. Her big brothers, Elijah & Tristan are now eight & six respectively. Kevin's focus is on finishing his new home, where he has personally done much of the work himself. Dorothy made it over to help him with the kids in April for a few weeks. Thanks goodness for technology which helps us stay in touch.

## Kristi, Matt & Wesley

Minnesota



Kristi & Matt continue to call Minnesota home & our new home is only a couple blocks away. You will have to ask Kristi if that is a blessing or a curse. Their life continues to revolve around "the Wesley", who celebrated his golden 4<sup>th</sup> birthday in July. Target Stores and Office Max continue to truly benefit from Kristi's & Matt's skills and dedication.

## Monthly Family Events

After moving back to Minnesota, we started a new custom of monthly Family Events. Beyond sharing food and memories, grandpa designs fun (sometimes devious) activities, here's a collection of the good times.



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