

Class of '63

*We all came together...each from a different mold.
Teenagers not always agreeing...with what we were told.
We had our own ideas about what should be wrong or right.
Expressing these differing views...usually led to a fight.*

*I'm sure you can remember both the anger and frustrations.
As we learned to deal with delicate and crucial situations.
It was also then you may recall...what we had been taught was right.
So we learned early on ...that experience could give us insight.*

*We then graduated together...I hope you can still recall?
How quickly time and circumstances would begin to change us all.
We went away to college, joined the military or the work force.
Some of us married early and never ever thought about divorce.*

*Many accepted the pressure of this life and soon raised their own children.
Realizing without a doubt...that they had grown to become men and women.
For others who were not...so fortunate, I guess?
They were removed from this world and all of its stress.*

*Throughout all these many years we've managed to survive.
We've learned to celebrate life...thankful to be alive.
So it is for us the living to recall part of our past,
To remember those high school memories from which we were cast.*

*It's been fifty years now...the years just keep rolling along.
Most of us would agree with this thought...it doesn't seem that long.
We have lived through the good times as well as the bad.
Enjoyed jubilant moments, but suffered when they were sad.*

*So continue to live life with zest...you are a special someone.
And realize tonight that we are many, but really we are one.
We all made contributions...in some way you see,
To the Ambridge High School...Class of '63!*

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