ANNETTE REPP SUTLIFF, North High Class of 1959



Paternal Grandfather, Reinhardt Repp Sr. born 1878, Nisjhnaya, Russia. Farmer. Paternal Grandmother, Susanna (Anna) Geir, born 1879, Tobringa, Russia. Maternal Grandfather, Alex Schneider, born 1877, Dobrinka, Russia. Carpenter & Farmer. Maternal Grandmother, Mary Strecher, born 1879, Visenmiller Village, Russia (The village was destroyed by the Bolsheviks, later called communists)

Catherine the Great promised the German people their own land, homes and not to go to war. However, thousands of the German people were killed or were sent to concentration camps by the Bolsheviks. Their homes and farms were taken from them. Many were sent to fight in the Russo-Japanese War. A large population of the German people escaped out of Russia. A very large group, including my maternal grandparents went to Buenos Aires, Argentina. A lot of them stayed there. Some of the German people, along with my ancestors eventually made their way to the United States. They traveled by boat and train. My maternal ancestors went to Covington, Kansas. Then they moved to Colorado because they had heard about the beautiful mountains. After a few years they moved to Windsor and my paternal ancestors moved to the Greeley area.

My parents, Emanuel Repp and Olinda Schneider were married in 1939 and moved to Denver. My dad worked as a farmer, served in the Army, worked at the Rocky Mountain Arsenal and eventually owned his own excavating business. We moved to 42nd and Delaware (Globeville area) when I was about 5 or 6 years old. I attended Garden Place, Horace Mann, and North High. Many of my classmates have remained life long friends.

About April of 1960 my husband got a job at Gibson Dairy doing home delivery, I worked there doing statements. Then about 2 years later Jim Gibson merged with Arvada Dairy and the name changed to Arvada Gibson Dairy. I worked in the office answering phones, relaying messages to the route drivers, signing up new customers and doing statements. I met a lot of nice people and still stay in touch with the retired owner and a couple of the ladies and drivers. I worked there until the middle of 1966. It was a great place to work.



ANNETTE'S Father



Grandmother