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“A Very Special Lady”

We dedicate this book to one very special lady who instilled the confidence, professionalism, and importance of a caring attitude that we will carry with us throughout our individual careers. She is our knight in shining armor who gave us the strength to fight our battles and the support during trying times. Her open door policy was always a great comfort. She truly made us feel like her “special” class and that there was no mountain we could not conquer. She put her trust in us and allowed us to perform newly acquired skills independently. She is organized, humorous, and fashionable. She is a classy lady, hard worker, and a perfect role model for the kind of nurse we all want to be. She guided us through our first year of new and unfamiliar experiences and laid the foundation for our future. It is for these reasons that we the graduating class of 1989 dedicate this annual to “Our Special Lady”, Juanita Moore.

“What a Lady!”



I hate getting my picture made.



This is how a real nurse dresses!



Ho, Hum . . . Must I be here???



I really want that chair!!



How do I get out of here??



Who, us Friends?



You really shouldn't have!!



I Didn't Do It, Promise!!



I don't think we look alike, really

"The Three Amigos"



"Is it real???"



"Our Leaders"



Lynn Jolly RN
BSN, MED



Lynda Opdyke
RN, BSN, MSN



Juanita Moore
RN, BSN, MED



Patricia Campbell
RNC, BSN, MSN



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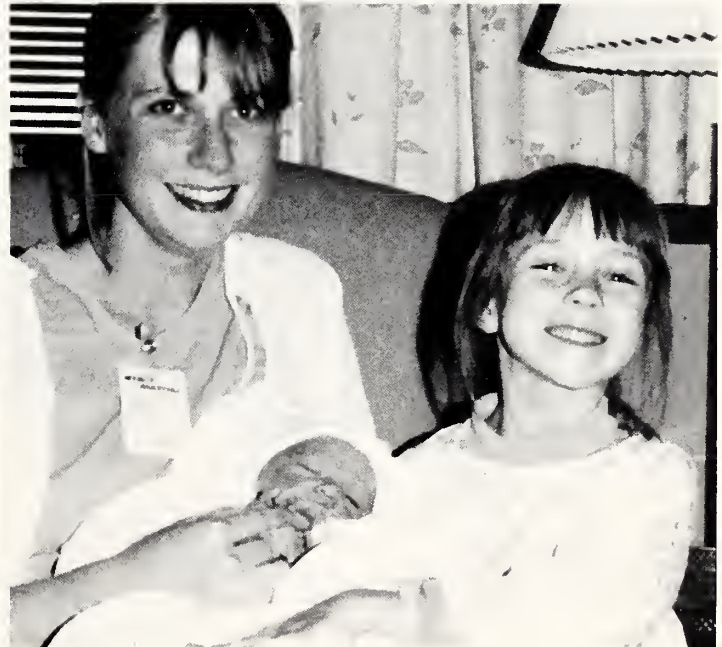


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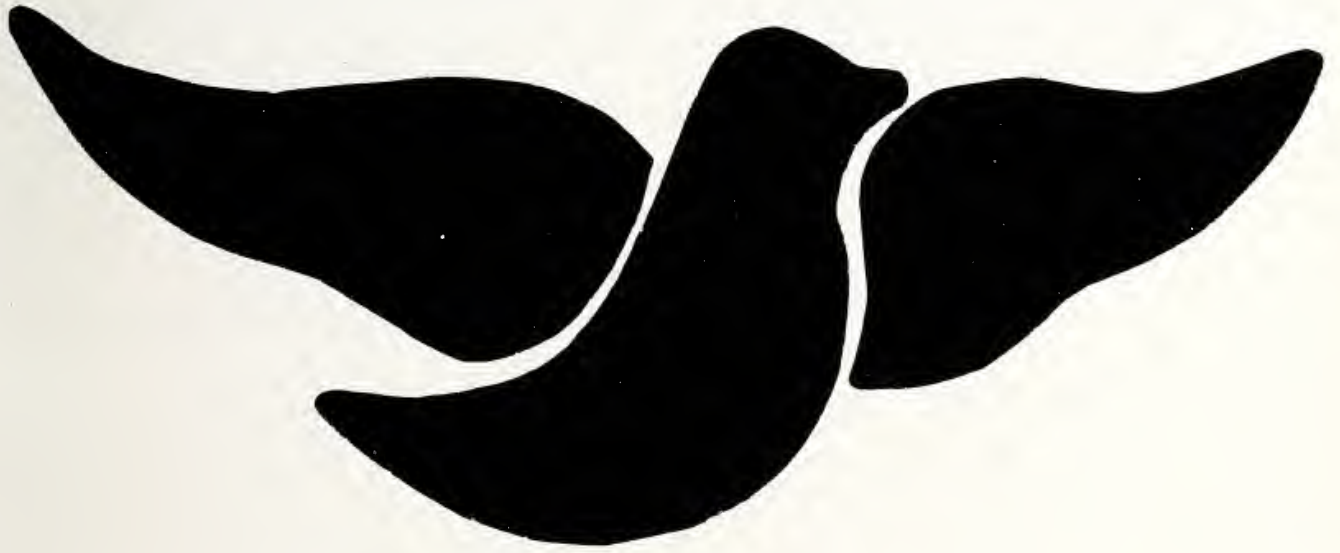












Seniors



You're nobody til somebody loves you
You're nobody til somebody cares
You may be rich, you may possess
The world and all of it's gold
But gold won't bring you happiness
when you're growing old
Our love is the same, you're never gonna change it
Just as sure as the stars in the sky
I said, you're nobody til somebody
really really really loves you
So find yourself somebody to love.





Cor II 12:9

"And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for my strength is made perfect in weakness."

And my darling you have had weakness and trials, you have stumbled and walked many miles. To be a nurse you have always dreamed, even though a many a tear has streamed. You have struggled and reached your highest goal. And many a story has been told, about your seed you planted with love, and reaped the rewards from smiles from above.

Linda Collins, 1988

Through these three years of nursing, I have felt like an imperfect person in a perfect environment, but I have come to realize: "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."
Phillipians 4:13





It is not the patient that bellows "hey little nursie"
It is not the band of black that signifies a nurse
It is not the diploma that reads "Registered Nurse"
It is not the white uniform that colors me a nurse
These are only the extras of being a nurse
It is within my heart that I am a nurse!
Mom, Dad and Stefany, I Love You!

God, Grant me the serenity to accept the things
which I cannot change.
The courage to change the things I can.
But, most of all the wisdom to know the difference.

Mom, Dad, and James, Thank you for your support and
Love. I love you.





I am what I am.

Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.

Proverbs 3:5-6





We all began as separate
And now we are as one
A destiny in nursing
Has truly been some fun.
We've shared each others joys and pains
throughout these last three years
I've come to love each one of you
My eyes are filled with tears.
As we now all go our separate ways
One thing still holds true
The memories we all shared here
Will last through and through.

"You can not save the world. You can only
make a little piece of it a little better."

T. W. F.

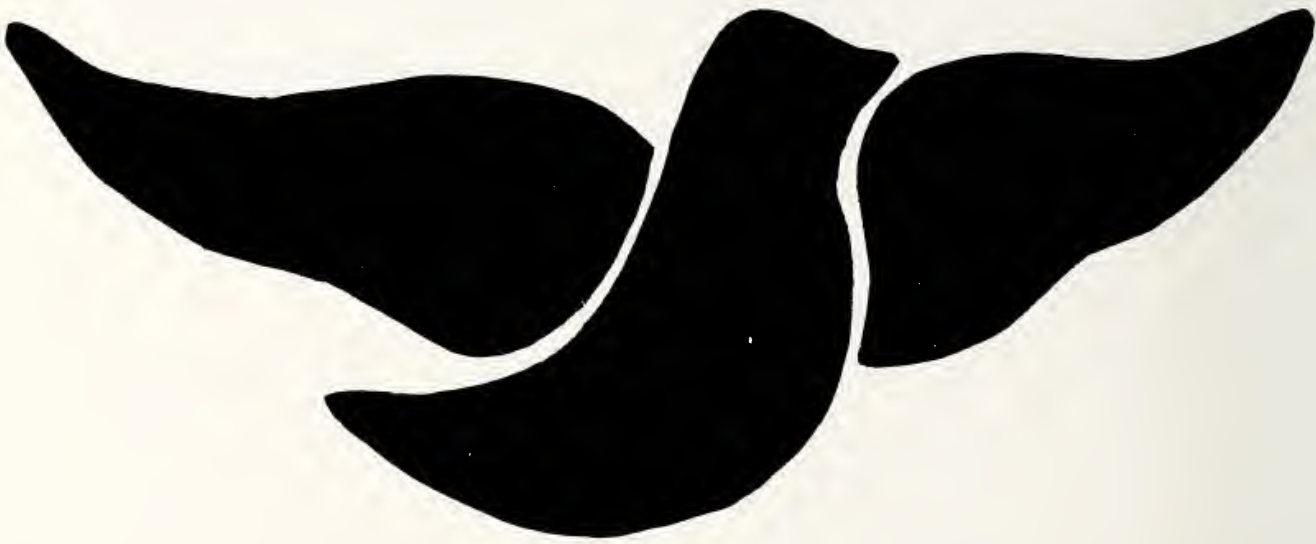




A friend is someone who is concerned with everything you do.
A friend is someone to call upon during good and bad times.
A friend is someone who understands whatever you do.
A friend is someone who tells you the truth about yourself.
A friend is someone who knows what you are going through at all times.
A friend is someone who does not compete with you.
A friend is someone who is genuinely happy for you when things go well.
A friend is someone who tries to cheer you up when things don't go well.
A friend is an extension of yourself without which you are not complete.

—Susan Polis Schutz





Juniors



Jane Beech

Stephanie DeFore

Anne Eckel



Melinda Finger

Leigh Ann Funderburk

Ellen Goodnight



Merideth Marshall

Christie O'Kelley

Diane Wiesehorn

Not Pictured:
Candy Brown
Leah Casteen



Freshman



Sharon Artis
Carol Ashe



Cindy Beall
Melissa Bryum



Patty Cooke
Annette Elms



Tracey Hamilton
Grady Haley
David Hudson
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Maria Jones



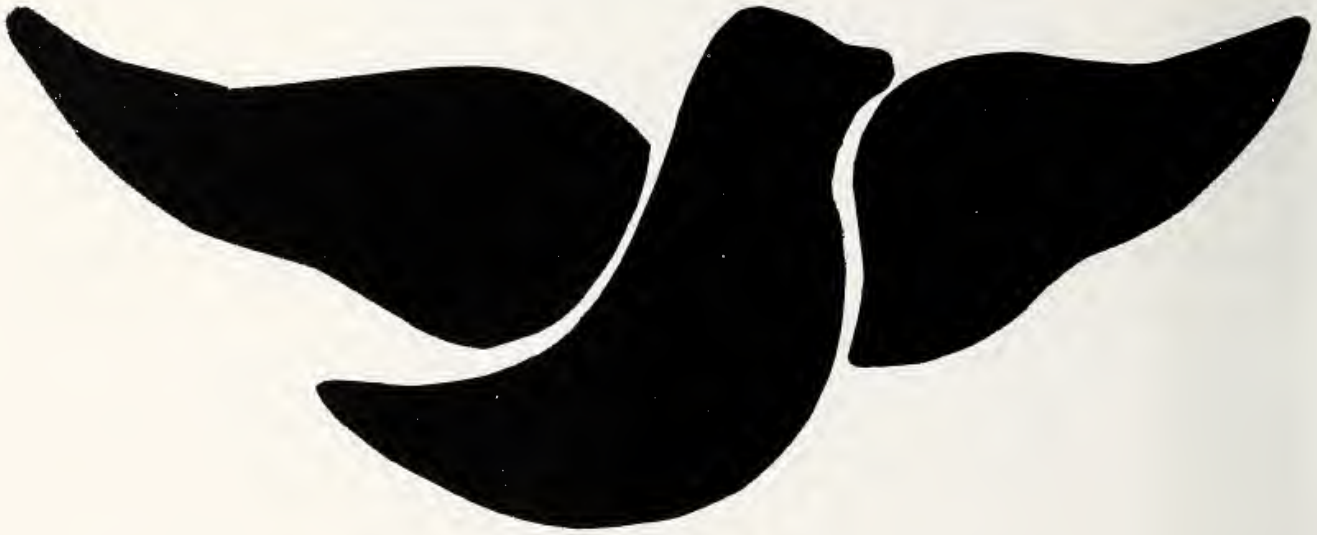
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Betty Miljonavich
Kelly Nelson
Dawn Owings



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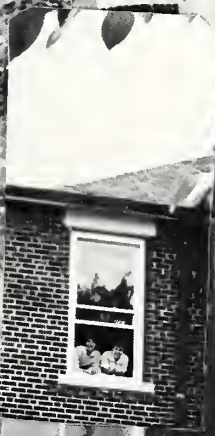
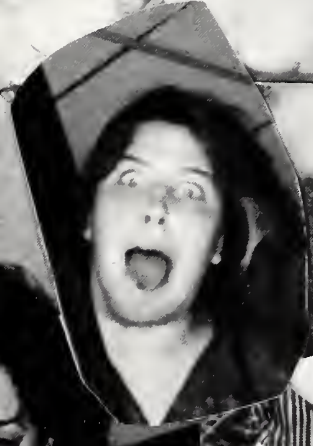


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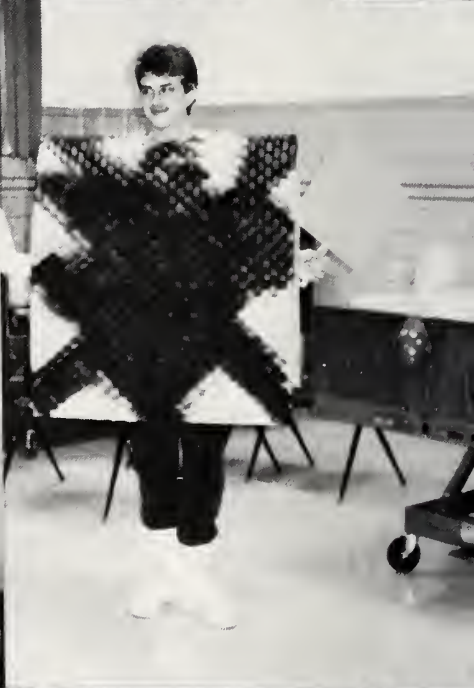


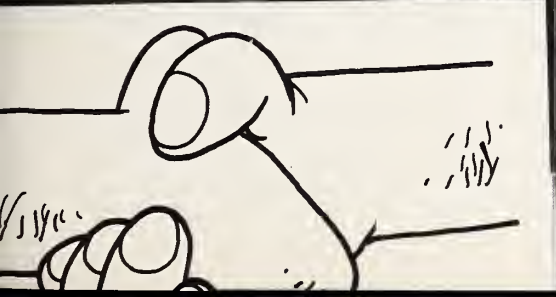
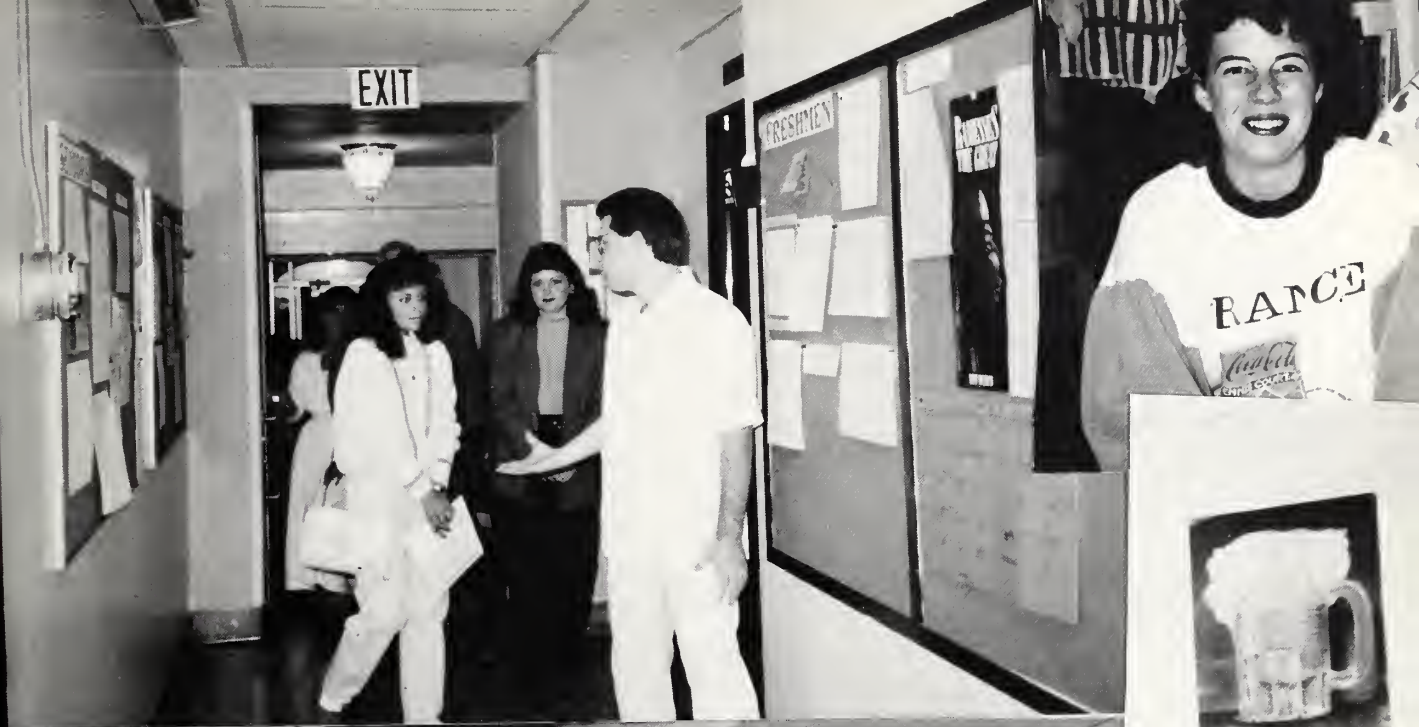














“Editor’s Page”

Here lies the blessed remains of Editor in Chief, Janet Johnson, from which the loyalties of her spirit and the depths of her being brought about this hallowed collection of collegiate memories. In her most humble sincerity she wishes to give thanks.

KMA

A Message from her loved ones:

Dearest Janet,

Congratulations! Three years of dedication and hard work are almost behind you. You are about to realize a very special dream come true. We have watched you grow into a loving and responsible young woman. Mere words could never tell you how proud we are of you or how much we love you. So, Janet, as this chapter closes and you begin the next; remember to us you will always be “God’s Gracious Gift”

Love, Mom and Dad

P.S. Way to go Sis! love, James

I, Tammy Collins of almost sound mind and full body, leave the following: All of my recipes for food, peace and love to Merideth Marshall, my bright and cute little sister. To second floor people I leave some soft Mr. Sholes, To Mrs. Holiday I leave an ounce of wisdom, a pound of courage, and a magic wand. To the Juniors I leave what little brain cells I have left. That's all that I can think of. To all the instructors, thanks for everything that you all have given me. As I leave the Halls of Mercy remembering all the laughter, tears, the smiles and the worries. May God bless and keep you.

I, Tammy Harrison being of destroyed brain cells and total (I do mean TOTAL) loss of muscle tone do hereby will to Tina, my illustrious suite at the "Mercy Hotel of Hell." To 'Brina, I will good luck and a pack of cigarettes, to smell her way through the next two years. To Lisa, Julie, and Sharon, thank you for your love, support and friendship, you mean the world to me. Mrs. Nelson, I love you, you're the greatest. Finally to all of the graduating class— good luck (not that you need it) and remember that reality is only what you make it, so make it the best! P.S. Nancy, let's not commit anymore capital crimes, OK?

I, Janet Johnson being of hypoactive mind, with limited brain cells, and wiped out body, do hereby leave the following: To all my fellow grads, all my love—you guys are my family. To Lisa, we started out as friends in the freshmen year, can you believe we are still talking? You better keep in touch. I love ya. To Sharona, thank you for the prayers, the don't quit now lecture, you are very special—Love ya. To Tammy H., you stay out of trouble. I will miss you. To Jane, Diane, Meredith, and Ellen, you are free from "QUEENIE". Thank you Mrs. Nelson, you are very special, all those times I needed to laugh you came through for me. Last but not least, to Nancy, you are the sister I never had. What ever we do, where ever we go, no matter how many times we lose touch, and no matter how many miles that keep us apart our friendship will always keep me going.

I, Nancy Squash McIntosh being of flaccid mind and spastic body hereby will peace and love to all and a special Good Luck to Jane, Ellen, Diane, and Sabrina. Keep that Spirit.

I, Mary Beth Poplin being of necrotic mind, elated spirit and married body do hereby bequeath my last will and testament: To my parents I leave my undying gratitude and love for their support and encouragement throughout nurses training and life. Sorry Dad buy my Raisins to Steve. To Kate, a part of me will always be with you wherever you go. Thanks friend for the great memories. To Janet, my bubbling morning cheer. To Tammy C., my phone number for support calls of desperation anytime you need and 100 lbs. of candy. To Mrs. Campbell thanks for an alternate to psych nursing. To Andi, I leave my tolerance for others odd personalities and techniques to deal with them. To Mrs. Nelson, my nurses cap to hang with yours. To Julie, blessings for a happy marriage with Sam. To Lisa, support that 12 years is a great number. Nancy, your a great person, relax and enjoy life. And most of all to my husband Steve, My love forever, all the money I make, and future children as well as me belong to you till death do us part. I Love You. Good-bye Mercy and may we all pass the boards!

I, Lisa Vanhoy being of questionable mentality and exhausted body do hereby bequeath the following: To my wonderful suitemate Patty, I leave the black bear picture, the pink toilet, and tons of dirty dishes (mostly mine) along with lots of luck and prayers for her coming years at Mercy. To my little sister Leah, I leave long talks, candy apples, thanks for her ears and lots of love, I miss ya! Thanks to Mrs. Moore for her nonjudgemental attitude and all the "juicy info." Mrs. Nelson, you're the greatest! I'll miss you. To Sharon, I leave potato chips and *LONG* nights with notes. Thanks for your quiet advice and for being my friend unconditionally. To Julie, I leave kittens and the Limited with unlimited plastic. To Tammy C., I leave pills for soap addiction and the book, *How To Talk Southern*. To Nancy, I leave cool music and peace. Janet, I can't believe we've made it. I'll miss you terribly, so you'd better send bunches of post cards. P.S. no more RA Duty!! To Mary Beth, I leave best wishes for much happiness with Steve and her babies. To Kate, I leave the ability to make up her mind once and for all and the keys to Silver Hills (if you decide to go North). To Andi, much love and thanks for your friendship and guidance. To Michelle, I leave Pepsi and hot dogs at 0800. To "The Girls" on second floor, I leave a new RA and best wishes for their future careers. Finally, I leave Mercy with a huge sigh of relief and thanks to God for the friendships I've made.

I, Sharon do hereby bequeath my french-braiding skills to Stephanie Defore. Also I leave to her my half-wit which was present half of the time. I give thanks to all my fellow classmates for the friendship we have shared through the good times and the bad. To all the teachers, I would like to extend my warmest appreciation for preparing me for my future as an RN.

I, Michelle Wise being of senile mind and deformed body related to nursing school do hereby bequeath to Kristy O'Kelly, my little sis' all the headaches, tests and fortunately excitement of being a senior. To Tammy Collins, thanks for the past three years for putting up with me through everything that happened our junior year and mostly just for being a friend and being there my senior year. These past three years have been the greatest (for the most part) of my life and I know they will continue. To the entire senior class, appreciation for allowing me to try my hardest to drive you all to Mecklenburg Mental Health Center. To Mrs. Holliday a cot for any student who spent as much time in your office as I have and my thanks for all the time you spent listening to me sometimes even making me get a little angry sometimes. To Mrs. Nelson thanks for all the pep talks during pediatrics and your opinions that really made me think. To Mrs. Campbell thanks for putting up with me saying something everytime I saw you. To Mrs. Mangrum, thanks for all you've taught me about clinical as well as myself and for the high expectations you had of me. To Sharon, my famous saying "Why should I clean my room, I know where everything is." To the upcoming juniors and seniors, my famous saying "Neat people never make the exciting discoveries I do." Lastly, finally, and the end, I want to thank this school for bringing me closer to those in my class. I have friends I'll never forget and relationships I couldn't do without.

Patrons

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Drs. Lassiter and Finger

Mark R. Swanson, MD

Gaskin Eye Clinic

Giblin, Laird, & Tucker

Tammy,

Your father and I are so very proud of you! The long hours and hard work that you put forth have finally paid off. Ever since you were little I knew that great things would come from you. We love you very much and are looking toward that great future for you.

Love Mom, Dad, and Stephanie

To Mary Beth

You've always been our little "Pud", a daughter so desired. You've traveled through some hard times, but of you we've never tired. Our God has kept His hand on you and led you through each storm. He placed within your heart a dream . . . A nurse's goal was Born! And then along the road came Steve and added to the story. What a lovely bride you were — A tribute to God's glory! Yet still the dream lived on for you, for better or worse; and so today, you stand complete, a precious MERCY NURSE! Your Mom and Dad rejoice with you, you've worked so hard, tis true; and we're SO PROUD that God and you have made your dreams come true! Congratulation! "Well done, good and faithful" daughter!

Our Love and Respect always,

Mom and Dad

Kate,

Congratulations to a
Super Sibling
with love from

**Meg and Dave
Maria and Peter
Darla**

Kate,

Congratulations for carrying
on a tradition of caring. We
are very proud of you.

Love,

Mom and Dad

Michelle Wise

From nursery school, as our little girl
To nursing school, grew our priceless pearl
Thru times both good and bad
You've made us proud
To be your **Mom and Dad**
with these lines we say it Loud

CONGRATULATIONS MICHELLE!

Here's to a beautiful future.

Love always,
Nana and Papa

Congratulations, Nancy on your success and personal growth. We're so proud of you, and we love you!

**Mom and Dad
Mary and Donald**

To my loving wife, Mary Beth:

These past three years have been filled with the best days of my life. You came to this city to find an education which in turn found you a husband. Few people knew of the study time, the long clinical days, dedication, and the kind heart it took to be a nurse. Still, with all this, you worked part time, took care of our home, and was able to spend much time with me. What amazed me most, is that you never complained, and a day never passed in which you didn't smile. You're a loving, caring wife, my dearest friend, and a blessing to my life. I am very proud of you! Congratulations, you have achieved a great personal goal and did it very well. I love you dearly!

Steven



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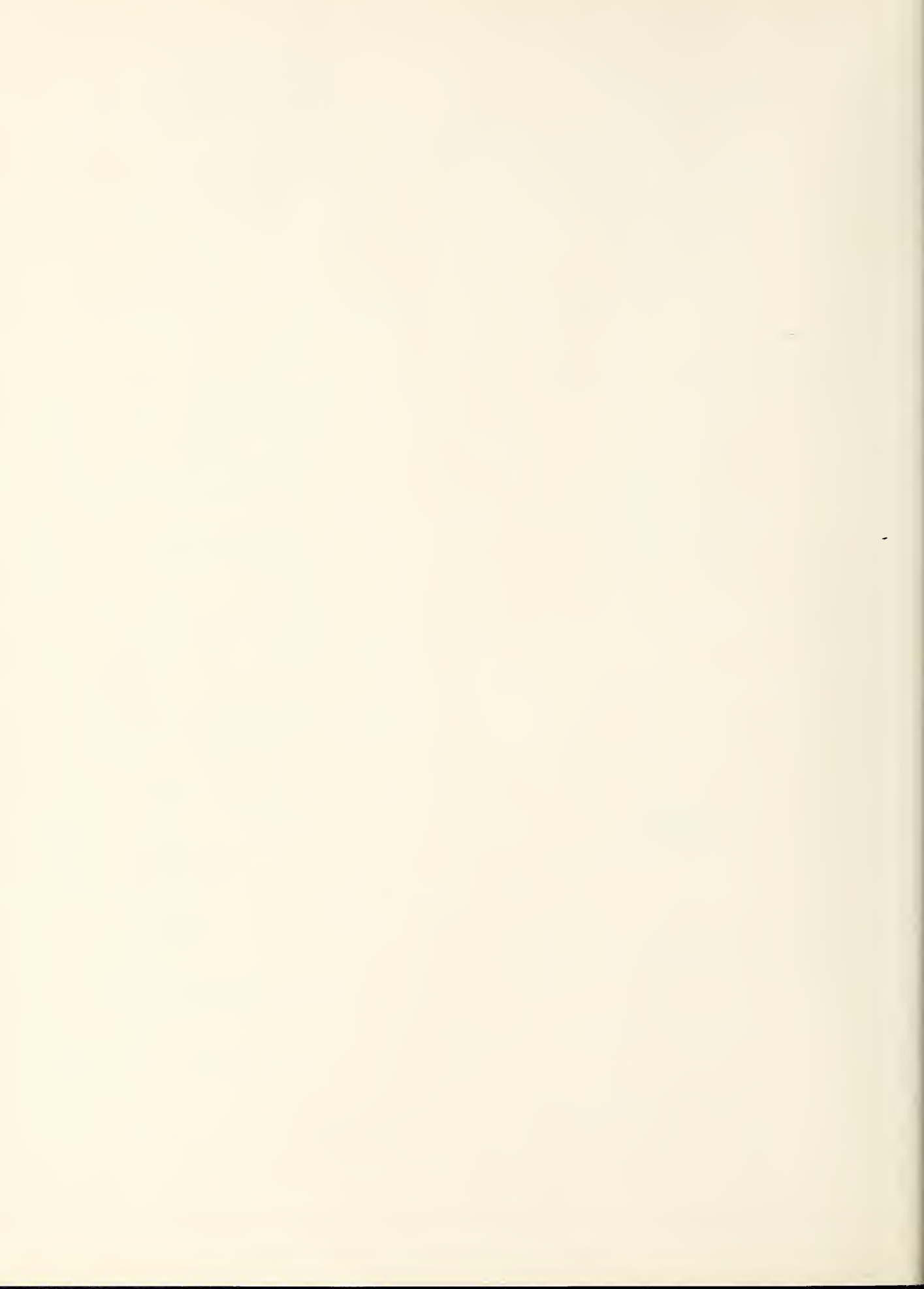
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