

Marian Lisette Feldstein Kaplowitz (Currently known as Lisette Kaplowitz)

I have two sons—one living in MA (working as a system's analyst and the other living in PA, working as a theatrical sound designer (and the proud recipient of a Tony Award!), and one 10 year old grandson.

I am remarried and was lucky enough to have gained 6 more grandchildren, all who live locally.

My first home was in Jamaica, NY before moving to Great Neck in 3rd grade (eventually going to the Kensington Elementary School through 6th grade).

I was a member of the first graduating class of Great Neck South Senior High School, and the Vice President of our class.

Our class present was an outside school clock (that I hope is still there and working).

After going to the University of Buffalo for 2 years, I transferred to Hofstra University graduating with a BS in Education and stayed in the field of Education from 1963-2007.

I taught in a variety of capacities:

As an elementary grade teacher in:

- * Commack, NY (1963-1964)**
- * the Department of Defense system in eastern France (1964-1965)**
- * then back to Commack, NY (1965-1966)**

Moving to Cambridge, MA, I earned Masters in Education at Boston University (1967)

*** then became then became a Reading Specialist in Swampscott, MA (1967-1968)**

I had my first son in Washington, DC. (1969) and my second son in New Brunswick, NJ (1973)

*** I volunteered for a school in Bowie, MD. and then moved to Syosset, NY (1969-1970)**

*** I worked as a paraprofessional in North Brunswick, NJ (1973-1974)**

From 1963 to today, I have lived in Massachusetts, working as:

*** an instructor at Northern Essex Community College, Haverhill MA (1974-1981)**

*** Board Member of the Massachusetts Field Center for Teaching and Learning appointed by Michael Dukakis (1984-present)**

*** in the Haverhill Public Schools, as the Coordinator of Language Arts and reading K-12 (1981-1987)**

*** then as a Principal of the Douglas Elementary School in, Acton for 16 years, retiring in 2004**

During that time, I also earned my Doctorate at Boston University, focusing on Learning and Language Disabilities (1976-1981)

My post doctoral work included coursework at Suffolk University, Harvard University, University of Mass in Amherst, State Department Leadership Academy, and Tufts University

*** I taught a course online focusing on the teaching of students with special needs,**

*** Finally, I mentored three 3-year cohorts of graduate students who were earning their Doctoral degrees in school administration at Boston College**

Since my retirement in 2004 I have:

Traveled to Florence, Italy to take a course in water color painting . . . and have been taking art lessons and painting ever since

Serve as a “Legacy Partner” for a Holocaust Survivor from Greece telling her life story to a range of venues (churches, synagogos, schools, & colleges)

Traveled to many parts of the world...and plan to continue until I can no longer carry my own luggage!

