

On May 11, 2016, at 12:03 PM, Meghan Eckner <noreply@classcreator.net> wrote:

**St. Peter's Prep
CLASS of 1962**

From: meghan eckner

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HI there-- I think my father, John Eckner, was a member of this class. He loved his time at St. Peter's Prep and I would love to find out if anyone here knew him.

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On Wed, May 11, 2016 at 2:26 PM, Gene Boyle III <geneboyle3@gmail.com> wrote:

Hi Meghan,

Delighted to see that you've found our '62 website!

I started this website after our 50th Reunion 4 years ago to help to keep all of us '62 guys around the country together. I've attached your Dad's Senior picture and yearbook entry. As you'll see, in addition to our addresses we all added fun facts about ourselves.

While I was never in any of your Dad's classes at Prep, I know dozens of guys who were and who will be very interested in hearing about your Dad. Sadly we didn't have any contact info for him, but we're eagerly hoping that you can fill us in on his career and life after Prep!

Thanks again for taking the initiative to contact me and I look forward to hearing about your Dad and passing that info along to his buddies back in 1958 to 1962!

Best,

Gene

Meghan Eckner <meghan.eckner@gmail.com> Today at 3:01 PM
To: Gene Boyle <geneboyle3@gmail.com>
Re: John Eckner

Gene,

Wow! This is really wonderful-- thank you so much for sending. I can't wait to share this with my sister.

I am so sorry to be the bearer of bad news for your class updates. My dad passed away in January 2015 after a hard-fought battle with esophageal cancer. Much of his story can be found here: <http://www.dolanfuneral.com/2015/01/john-willard-eckner/>.

His class clown spirit (he told us a couple of stories, but I'm sure there are more!) has been passed down to my wisecracking son, who also looks a lot like his grandfather!

It is too bad that he lost contact with his class, because I know how delighted he would have been to walk down memory lane with all of you once more! He talked about his time at St. Peter's often (we grew up with a framed painting of the school in our hallway), and it is really great to see that you are preserving all of this for everyone.

If anyone remembers John then we would of course love to hear from them, and please feel free to distribute my email address.

Thank you again,

Meghan