

BIOGRAPHY Charla Hester

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I graduated from Burges High School in 1963 and the University of Texas-El Paso in 1969.

I married in 1965 and had two beautiful baby boys 18 months apart: Louis Tyler Mollinary and Beau Charles Mollinary. I have three precious grand children, Alexander, Elsa and Zoe Mollinary and a lovely French daughter-in-law, Celine Bry.

I've been a bank teller, a bar tender, and a school teacher. I served the public from behind a counter, a bar, and a desk.

I taught elementary school for the Ysleta ISD in El Paso until I retired in 1998. I relocated to Marble Falls, Texas in 2000.

What a wonderful place to begin the new millennium and my new life. I am free at last to enjoy the sound of silence and to abandon alarm clocks and schedules. As El Paso fades into memory as an old sepia photograph, at last my life in the Hill Country is painted with a rich color palette: blue skies and water with the additional mix of wild flowers. This is the time of my rebirth and reinvention of myself.

I have enjoyed every minute I have been here in my new environment and life. I have joined groups: Adam R Johnson Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, The Highland Lakes Democratic Women, and the Marble Falls Quilt Club, and been accepted by lovely friends and supportive neighbors.

I have had wonderful adventures and experiences with travel to foreign lands and new relationships. I am able to try my hand, and follow my passion, at collecting and selling my antique 'junque'. I fell in love with my Cowboy and had my heart broken when he died. I have felt the complete magic of emotions with the birth of grand babies, love, and love lost.

I enjoy cooking, reading, antiquing, telling stories, reading palms, sewing, gardening, taking trips with friends, and holidays with my boys and their families.

I live alone but am not lonely.... I am independent though not unconnected.... I am strong-minded, opinionated, and, at times, annoying. I guess I haven't changed much.