

Fay Watts

Interview by Sherry Kennedy

Where are you from?

I was born in Thomaston, Georgia and have three sisters and one brother.



Please, tell me a little about your family.

I was married to my husband, John for 24 years and we had three children together, two daughters and one son. Unfortunately, I lost John to a heart attack. I have been with Jim for 16 years. My extended family includes a total of seven grandchildren. The oldest is Samantha, who is 18 years old, triplet grand daughters Tis, Isa & Jahni, who are 8 years old, and three grand sons named Drew (6 years old), Brett (3 years old), and Eli (almost 2 years old). My four-legged baby is an 11-year-old Maltese.

What are some highlights of your life?

The highlights in my life have been my children and the 20 years that John was in the Army and the family traveled with him.

What are your hobbies or things you enjoy doing while you're not working?

I enjoy reading, traveling, and working in my flower garden.

Are you a collector? If yes, what do you collect?

I collect birdhouses and have butterflies.

Where did you go to college and what was your major?

After I graduated from High School, I married John and he went into the Army. We traveled so much that I was only able to take courses here and there.

Tell me about the positions that you held before becoming a realtor at ERA American Realty, Inc? Tell me about your current position.

I started my career in 1979 when I got into real estate. In 1984, a friend and I bought Wildman Realty. In 1988, we merged our company into ERA Holly Realty. In 1997, I moved to Shalimar and went to work at ERA American Realty, Inc. and am currently employed there as a Realtor® (See www.era-american.com). I am also a Coordinator for Weekenders Clothing (See www.weekenders.com).

When did you join ABWA? Who introduced you to it?

I joined ABWA in 1997 and Shirley Young was my sponsor.

How has ABWA affected your life?

ABWA has helped me expand my real estate business by networking with our membership. Also, I have met so many businesswomen that I would not have had an opportunity to meet. Best of all, I have met so many new friends.

Are you a member of any other business clubs or groups?

I was a member of Playground Kiwana's for almost 5 years. I am currently a member of the Shalimar Baptist Church Women's Ministry.

What would you consider as your greatest challenge?

My greatest challenge is being the person that God wants me to be.

What drives, inspires, and motivates you?

What drives me is my desire to always be a good friend and treat everyone the same.

Finish this statement: "Each week I look forward to..."

Helping others and myself accomplish our goals.

Likes: I like people that are friendly and outgoing.

Dislikes: I dislike dishonest people that think they are better than others.

Who would you consider as your role model?

My role models are my parents. They always taught us (my three sisters, my brother, and I) to always be ourselves and not pretend to be someone else.

Best Asset: My best asset is being friendly and happy.

Favorite Color: Blue

What is the phrase or saying that you live by day to day?

Treat others the way that I want to be treated.



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