Member Profile

Sue (Morten) ’57 and Jack Rogers ’57

Sue and Jack Rogers are proud to be a Miami Merger for 48 years. Their commitment to Miami includes Sue’s work as the chair of the regional gifts committee for the Miami University Campaign For Love and Honor. She has also served on the School of Education and Allied Professions Advisory Council and as the president of the Alumni Association. Jack, who is the retired CEO and Chairman of UPS, was a member and chair of the university’s Business Advisory Council. They are the parents of four children and grandparents to 12. While home is in New Jersey and Florida, they come back to campus to use their season football tickets and to visit with other alumni.

WHAT MEMORIES DO YOU HAVE OF MIAMI AND LIFE IN OXFORD?

Sue: My foremost memory is my life among my sorority sisters – the Chi Omegas. Another memory is being an announcer on the radio station. I got to do the Platter Chatter show and play 78s while talking about news on campus. I became interested in doing radio because of the five semesters I spent taking theatre classes from Dr. Homer Abegglen.

Jack: I was born in a little house on Chestnut Street and attended McGuffey School for eight years. We moved to 23 S. Main St. where my widowed mother rented rooms to Miami students. My friends and I went to all the football and basketball games. Sometimes we’d try to save a buck by sneaking under the fence at old Miami Field. We’d usually get caught.

WHAT DID YOU LEARN OUTSIDE OF CLASS?

Jack: I learned how to get along with people, how to treat people. I was a Delta Upsilon and that really shaped me up. I grew up in a lot of ways.

HOW DID YOUR MIAMI MERGER BEGIN?

Sue: We met on spring break in Ft. Lauderdale at a place called Omar’s Tent. My friends and I joined the table where Jack was sitting with his fraternity brothers. It was really a miracle that we found each other.

WHY IS STAYING INVOLVED AS A DUES-PAYING MEMBER IMPORTANT TO YOU?

Sue: There’s a continuous history of alumni involvement at Miami. Being a part of it is exciting and important. Miami is an excellent university and I want it to be that way for other students.

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