

Robert and Dalene Comparette Reagan

Robert and Dalene Reagan come from families that have strong historical roots in Kerrville and the surrounding area. Dalene was born in Kerrville and Robert moved here in 1940 where his grandparents lived across the street from the Kerr County courthouse. Both graduated from Tivy High School. Dalene's grandfather, Dale Comparette, a barber, used to cut Mr. A.C. Schreiner's hair and mentioned to him that he had built a telephone switchboard. From this conversation, a partnership was formed and the Kerrville Telephone Company got its start. Dalene recounts stories she heard about telephone lines strung on barbed wire fences and operators who knew everyone and generally, where they were at any given time.

Robert Reagan history includes the Nimitz family—his mother, Dora Nimitz, was a sister of Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, commander of the U.S. Forces in the Pacific during World War II. Chester's family came to live in Kerrville as a young boy. Robert played football at Tivy and Dalene was Drum Major there during her senior year. They both went on to college out of town but recount their early years in Kerrville where they spent time at the TISH Room, Pampells Soda Fountain and the Bluebonnet Drug Store.

Cross References:

Kerrville Telephone Company
Pampell's Soda Fountain
Arcadia Theater
Bluebonnet Drug Store
TISH Room

Mack's Popcorn Stand
Heart of the Hills
Magnolia Oil Company
Mobil Oil Company

Names:

William Nimitz
Admiral Chester Nimitz
Otto Nimitz
Dale Comparette
A.C. Schreiner
Ms. Hattie Garrett
Mrs. Canafax
Ms. Folger
Champ Callahan
Carl Price
Mr. Swan

H. A. Moore
Charlie Johnston
Ned Harrell
Cade Schwethelm
W. C. Weir
Dr. Knapp
Dr. Grett
Dr. Simpson
Raymond Franklin
Kay Franklin