

# The DRIFTER

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**IF** you can start the day without caffeine,  
**IF** you can always be cheerful, ignoring aches and pains,  
**IF** you can resist complaining and boring people with your troubles,  
**IF** you can eat the same food every day and be grateful for it,  
**IF** you can understand when your loved ones are too busy to give you any time,  
**IF** you can take criticism and blame without resentment,  
**IF** you can conquer tension without medical help,  
**IF** you can relax without liquor,  
**IF** you can sleep without the aid of drugs,  
.....Then You Are Probably.....  
.....The Family Dog!



# October 2017



# Memorial Scroll

**Name** Jerry McBride  
**Spouse** Carol  
**Chapter** Rogue River Rooster Sams  
**Birth Date** June 2, 1943  
**Death Date** August 21, 2017

**Name** Anne Krupa  
**Spouse** Ron  
**Chapter** Polk About Sams  
**Birth Date**  
**Death Date** September 24, 2017

## New Chapter Members

### Clackamas Campers - 1

Johnie McGuire

### 79ers - 3

Juliann Harris

Loren Fihn

Jim & Laurie O'Brian

## OCTOBER CHAPTER ANNIVERSARIES

Good Sam Beaver Dam No. 1	48 years
Ready Roamers	47 years
Southern Oregon Sams (SO Sams)	40 years
Cascade Sams	39 years
Roseburg Sams	26 years
Rolling Coasters	18 years
Cascade Cruisers	7 years



## Useful Links



[www.goodsamclub.com](http://www.goodsamclub.com)

This link will take you to the Good Sam Club homepage

[www.dogforthedeaf.org](http://www.dogforthedeaf.org)

This is one of Oregon Good Sam's favorite Charities

[www.connectionspublications.com](http://www.connectionspublications.com)

Exceptional magazine featuring Oregon Good Sam RV parks, small towns, local activities and OGS Chapter advertising

[www.oregongoodsam.com](http://www.oregongoodsam.com)

Our Oregon Good Sam Club website.

*"Autumn is a season followed immediately by looking forward to Spring." - Anonymous*

# Meet our Assistant Directors



We will introduce our Assistant Directors, one each month.

## DALE AND DEE VEENENDAAL

Our Assistant Directors for the SW Valley Coasters, a new name for their region. Their chapters are:

Eugene Sojourners, Lighthousers, McKenzie River Drifters and Roseburg Sams.



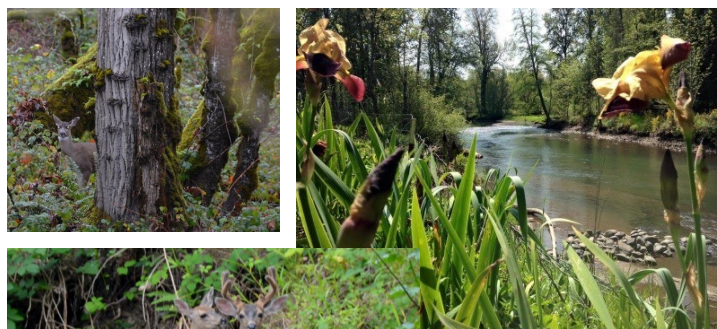
They have two kids, six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.



Dale and Dee met in Portland, OR. Dee is a Portland kid and Dale was born in Modesto, CA. They met while Dale was stationed at the Portland Air Base serving in the U.S. Air Force. They got married on February 15th, 1963.

During their 54 years of marriage they have lived in Portland, Estacada, Springfield and Fall Creek, OR. They moved to Fall Creek about 20 years ago, into a little house on Fall Creek where they enjoy the sights and sounds of the creek which flows right below their deck. Visitors include a variety of birds, deer, raccoon, squirrel, ducks and beaver.

**Sometimes when they chose to travel, the garden doesn't happen.**



They grow flowers and a big garden. They love to fish and ride their sand- buggies.



Dee states, "The United States is full of beautiful man-made places and amazing natural wonders. Being able to see just some of them has been a huge blessing to us. We enjoy camping and traveling with our Good Sam family of friends."

**"Life is good!"**

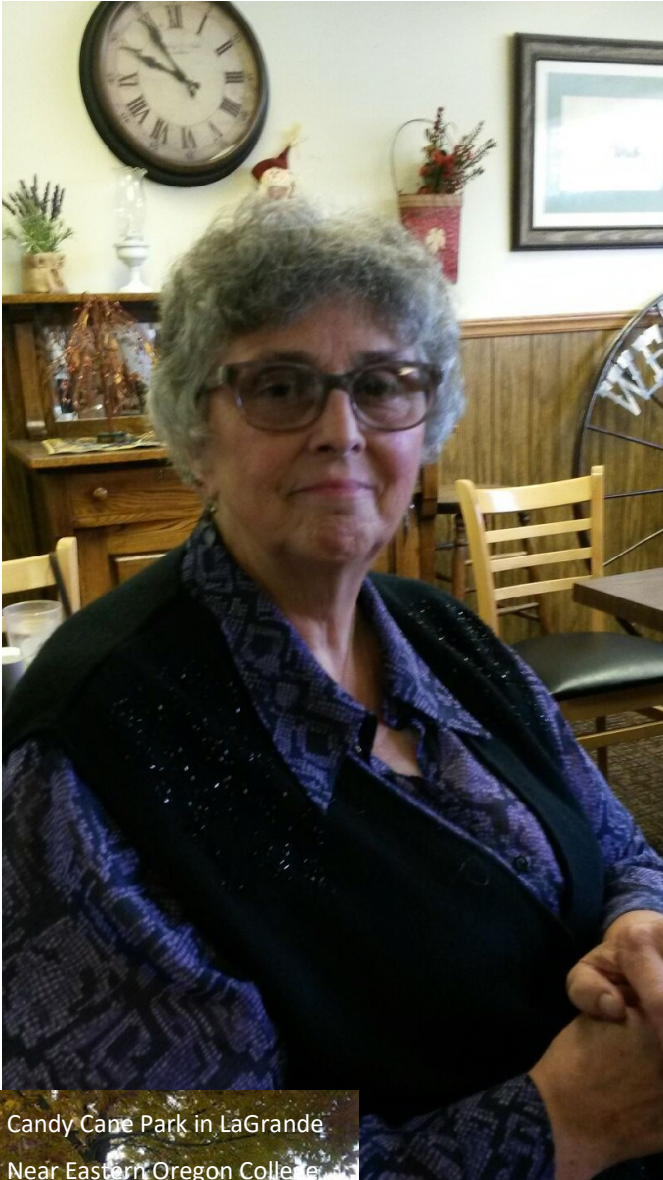


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SECOND ONE THIS MONTH - - KEEP'EM COMING



Candy Cane Park in LaGrande  
Near Eastern Oregon College

Perry Arch Bridge near  
LaGrande—

Two mountain goats live near the bridge. The community is hoping for some little baby goats soon.



## FRAN AND BRUCE ELLIS

They are our new Assistant Directors for Country Cuzzins, our region in the NW corner of Oregon. Their chapters are:

**Blue Mountain Good Sams, Columbia River Sams, Milton-Freewater Apple Blossom Sams, Tri-Mountain Good Sams and Grande Ronde Wheelers.**

Fran was born and raised in the Grande Ronde Valley. It has always been 'home' to her. But she quickly lets us know that they love to travel in their RV.

She graduated from Imbler High School in Imbler and from Blue Mountain College in Pendleton. She and Bruce lived in Port Lavaca, Texas for three years while he was in the Air Force.

Fran retired from being an operating scrub nurse for forty five years, working at the La Grande Hospital.

They have 6 kids, 12 grandkids and another one on the way.

A couple of their favorite RV Parks are Hot Lake RV Park & Springs, La Grande, and the Copper Field RV Park near Halfway.

Fran loves to play cards but quilting is her passion. She is now making two baby quilts, getting ready for that new grandson.

Springtime in the Blues is an early April campout and Country Cuzzins will be held May 17-20, 2018 at the Milton-Freewater Posse Fairgrounds.

We want to thank Dave & LaZetta Krause for doing such a great job as Assistant Directors for many years. Now they will have

more time for traveling, family and lots of special projects that have been calling their names.

**THANK YOU DAVE  
AND LAZETTA!!**



## CHAPTERS ON THE GO



On their September campout, the Rogue River Roosters traveled to Woahink RV Park in Florence. They had a great time taking the Dune Buggy ride and enjoying the socializing of all their members.

Ready Roamers gathered at the Wells Farm on Saturday, October 2, 2017 to sort the pop can tabs collected at the 2017 Rally in Roseburg. The money received is donated to the Kidney Dialysis Center in Albany to help patients with the costs of traveling for treatment three times a week. Over 500 pounds were collected this year.



McKenzie River Drifters and Roseburg Sams eating together during their last campout in Elkton. They had an old-fashioned box social auction.



SEND IN YOUR FAVORITE CHAPTER CAMPOUT PHOTOS WITH A SHORT DESCRIPTION. LETS FILL THE PAGE.

**As a member of the Good Sam Club, I pledge to give aide to others in need, respect nature and the environment, give back to the community and those less fortunate, treat others with dignity and respect, wear a smile (like Good Sam & Good Samantha's) and promote the pledge of The Good Sam Club to others.**

THE GOOD SAM CLUB PLEDGE

### OGS REGIONAL RALLIES:

Pow Wow

Westerners Round-Up

Country Cuzzins Rendezvous

(a new one in Southern OR is in the works)



I'm a few days late in getting this October Drifter out. I can't believe the stuff Larry and I have accomplished in the last week: painted the house, changed out an upstairs window, stripped the front door (going to paint it red), uncovered the tops of three septic tanks, cleaned up the garden, did the tab sort in our barn, etc. Then we visited with the Cascade Cruizers. They are a great bunch of people!



Sorting the tabs in our barn



Learning how to play TEN with the Cascade Cruizers at their favorite campground called the Eisele Family Farm No, if you don't belong to the family or the Cruizers, you can't camp there. I asked.



Now I can get back to things at hand. You will find some special items in this Drifter that I feel are important for you to know. Changes keep happening, decisions are being made and plans are coming together for 2018. Please take a 'look see'.

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Updated list of OGS Leadership that fits into Organizational Format - on page 8

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List of OGS Regions with their AD and Chapters - on page 9

Notes of the Chat Time I had with the OGS Staff and Assistant Directors on September 23rd - on page 10

I have shared with most of you about the magazine, Oregon NW Community Connections in which we have had the privilege of having OGS news published. The publisher, Steve Rowland, plans to send enough copies of the winter issue of that magazine to each OGS Chapter so you can pass them out to your members. They should arrive in your mailbox around the first of November. Just wanted you to know.

A lot of our members are getting ready to go south where warmer temperatures are beckoning; some are already gone. Our wishes and prayers go with them as they travel the highways and airways south.

Want to talk? Just call, message or email me. I will always have time for you.

Karen



**STAFF, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR & REGION NAME CHANGES IN 2017 AS OF 09-30-17:**

So far in 2017, we have had the following changes in our OGS State Staff, Assistant Directors & Regions:

Linda Smith resigned as State Secretary

Sam Dominy was appointed as State Recording Secretary

Don Nedrow was appointed as State Historian

Joyce Burt was appointed as State Purchasing Agent

Dave and LaZetta Krause resigned as Assistant Directors of the Country Cuzzins

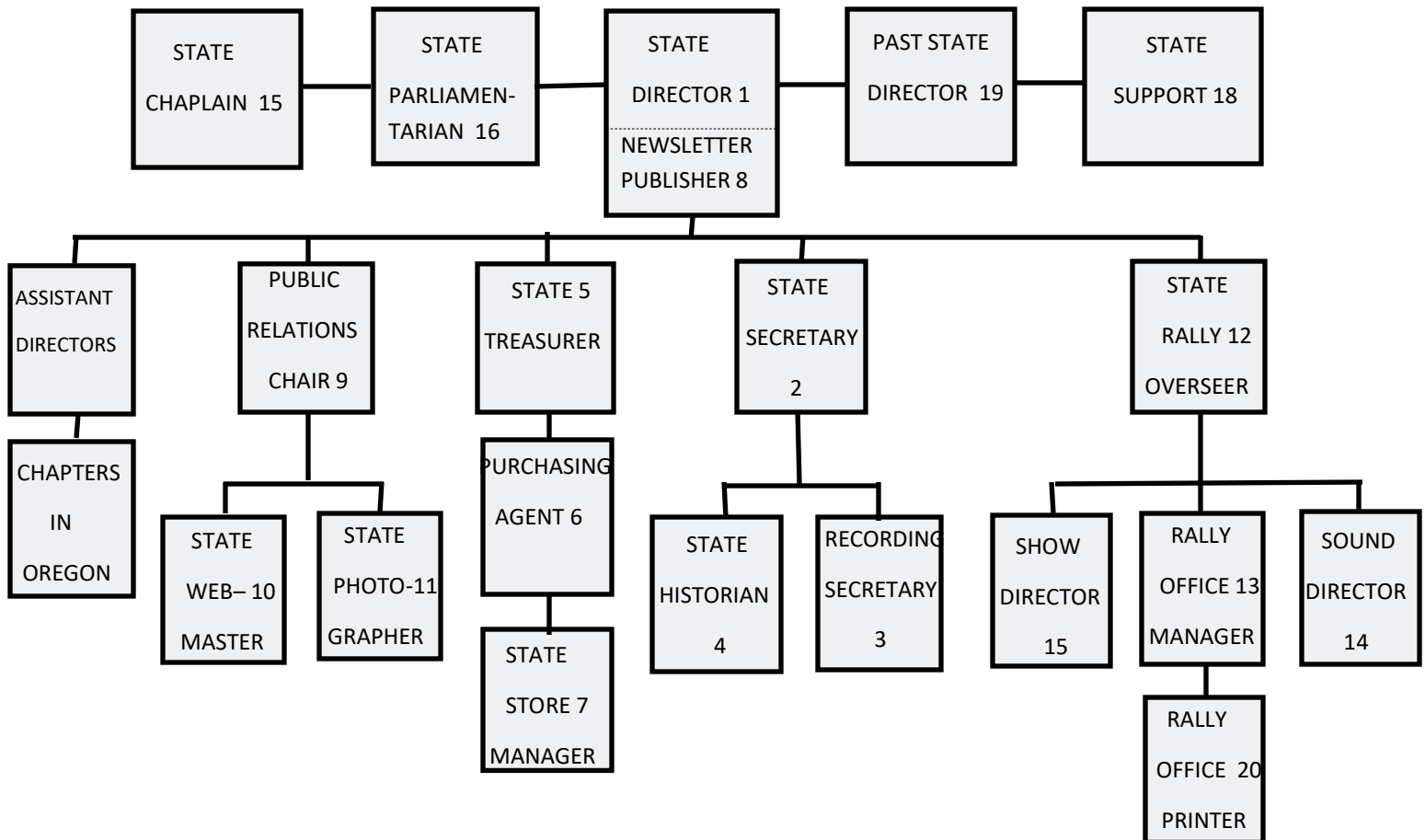
Fran and Bruce Ellis were appointed as Assistant Directors of the Country Cuzzins

Alice Ferrell was appointed as State Secretary

Change of name for region to 'SW Valley Coasters' from Mid-Valley Sams

Ready Roamers moved into the 'Capital Gang' out of Mid-Valley Sams

**ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERSHIP FORMAT**



Names to fit each of these jobs are on the next page. There is one without a name connected to it: State Rally Overseer. If you know of someone who could fill the empty box, please let me know.

**NAMES OF OGS STATE STAFF THAT FIT INTO THE ORGANIZATIONAL FORMAT**

<b>STAFF TITLE</b>	<b>STAFF NAME</b>	<b>PHONE</b>	<b>CELL</b>	<b>EMAIL ADDRESS</b>	<b>#</b>
State Director	Karen and Larry Wells	541-327-2469	503-910-2329	oregongoodsamfamily@gmail.com	1
State Secretary	Alice Ferrell	541-591-0298		alice_ferrell@charter.net	2
State Recording Secretary	Sam Dominy (Marcia)	541-206-9550		samdominy@msn.com	3
State Historian	Don Nedrow (Carol)		503-702-5293	donnedrow@gmail.com	4
State Treasurer	Joyce Burt (Clyde)	541-892-3988		wecruzin@gmail.com	5
State Purchasing Agent	Joyce Burt (Clyde)	541-892-3988		wecruzin@gmail.com	6
State Store Manager	Alice Ferrell	541-591-0298		alice_ferrell@charter.net	7
State Newsletter Editor/ Publisher	Karen Wells (Larry)	541-327-2469	503-910-2329	oregongoodsamfamily@gmail.com	8
State Publicity Chair	Roger Lee (Linda)		503-646-7882	razrlee@gmail.com	9
State Webmaster	Gene Hancock		503-338-0700	ghancock@gmail.com	10
State Photographer	Dee Veenendaal (Dale)	541-746-8995	541-913-6994 de	daal@hotmail.com	11
State Rally Overseer	?	?	?	?	12
State Rally Office Manager	Marion Gilkey (Tom)	503-393-5337	928-920-2729	tomarion@juno.com	13
State Sound Director	Larry Parman (Terry)	503-663-5888	503-803-7565 L	fpilarry@aol.com	14
State Chaplain & Show Director	Terry Parman (Larry)	503-663-5888	503-880-4296 T	terlar02@aol.com	15
State Parliamentarian	Larry Wells (Karen)	541-327-2469		wellsfarm1@gmail.com	16
State Rally Registrar	Sally Hancock		503-338-0757	salhancock76@gmail.com	
State Support Staff	Mary Swanson (Wayne)		503-510-4334	Ssanson.mes16500@gmail.com	18
Past State Director	Larry Minor		503-502-6509	bcrikmin@gmail.com	19
State Rally Printer	Carla Nicholson	503-590-8232		seajay.ret@comcast.net	20

**GATHERING HOSTS FOR 2018-19**

2018 Spring Gathering	Connie & Howard Morrill	Apr 29-May 1, 2018
2018 Fall Gathering	Tom & Robyn Hansen	Aug. 5-7, 2018
2019 Spring Gathering	Pam & Wally Kundert	Apr 28-30, 2019
2019 Fall Gathering	Fran & Bruce Ellis	Aug 4-6, 2019



## REGIONS IN OREGON with their corresponding Assistant Directors and Chapters:

<b>Capital Gang</b>	Pam & Wally Kundert..... kundertpj@aol.com	503-930-2501
	Hobo Sams, Polk About Sams, Ready Roamers, River City Sams, Trail Dusters, Weekend Sams (centered in middle Willamette Valley)	
<b>Central Oregon</b>	Tom & Robyn Hansen..... arcticfoxtom@gmail.com	541-336-1726
	Jumpin Juniper Sams of Central Oregon, Rim Rock Recs (centered Central Oregon)	
<b>Country Cuzzins</b>	Fran & Bruce Ellis..... rockinge@oregonwireless.net	541-910-9831
	Blue Mountain Good Sams, Columbia River Sams, Milton-Freewater Apple Blossom Sams, Tri-Mountain Good Sams, Grande Ronde Wheelers (centered in NE Oregon)	
<b>Southern Oregon</b>	Joyce & Clyde Burt..... wecruzin@gmail.com	541-892-3988
	Good Sam Klamath Kampers, Rogue River Roosters, Southern Oregon Sams aka SO Sams (centered in Southern Oregon)	
<b>SW Valley Coasters</b>	Dee & Dale Veenendaal..... doloresveenendaal@hotmail.com	541-744-8995
	Eugene Sojourners, Lighthouseers, McKenzie River Drifters, Roseburg Sams (centered in southern Willamette Valley and Central Coast)	
<b>Westerners</b>	Bob & Judy Simons..... broknot@msn.com	503-366-2722
	Bridgetown Campers, Good Sam Trav'l Nuts, Rollin Roamers, Rolling Coasters, Spruce Runners, Westside Wanderers (centered in NW Oregon and SW Portland)	
<b>WyEast Pioneers</b>	Connie & Howard Morrill..... hcmorrill@yahoo.com	503-913-2671
	Cascade Cruisers, Cascade Sams, Clackamas Campers, Good Sam Beaver Dam No. 1, Layover Sams, Portland Single Sams, 79ers (centered in middle Columbia Gorge, SE Portland, northern Willamette Valley)	
<b>Fam Sam Chapters</b>	(pending)..... Buckaroo Tumbleweed Sams	
	(covers the whole state of Oregon, beginning in Pendleton)	

### Chat Notes

Held at Mary & Wayne Swansons' home  
16500 Brown Road, Dallas, OR 97338  
September 20, 2017  
10:00 am – 3:00 pm

Director, Karen Wells, said that we were gathering to chat about Oregon Good Sam. This meeting was not a business meeting and there would be no votes taken.

The 16 people in attendance introduced themselves and talked about what was going on in their lives and in their chapters.

Karen handed out the following materials for discussion:

- Oregon Good Sam Constitution & Bylaws
  - Used for reference
- New Assistant Director's Manual
- Assistant Directors(AD)/Chapter Distribution List: (shown in 2017 October Drifter)
- Organizational Breakdown for OGS (shown in 2017 October Drifter)
- Hosts for Spring & Fall Gatherings (shown in 2017 October Drifter)
- Staff and AD master list (shown in 2017 October Drifter)
- OGS Standing Rules
  - Used for reference
- Directions on how to start a new OGS chapter
- OGS Finance Reports were given by Treasurer, Joyce Burt
  - OGS Profit Loss Statement (Jan. 1 thru Aug. 31, 2017)
  - OGS Checking/Savings balances
  - Rally/Samboree Budget showing current actual balances
- Rally Duties list (shown in 2017 October Drifter)
- Dogs for the Deaf Prospectus on Naming Opportunities for Second Training Facility

Karen then reviewed the new Assistant Directors Manual. Points of discussion included:

- Communicating closely with their chapters within each region
- Reporting chapter activities during Rally
- Encouraging their chapters to meet deadlines timely

The 2018 Rally will be held on June 19 to 23, 2018. If the Ballot to change the week is approved, that change will not take effect until 2019. The results of the mail-in-ballot will be sent to all Presidents, Staff and Assistant Directors on Thursday, October 5<sup>th</sup>.

Concerns about the Rally were discussed.

- Douglas County makes their money from the parking at the Rally. This past year some parked away from the fairgrounds. If this continues, we may need to charge more for parking.
- We are planning to reduce the number of seminars to two a day.
- The Wrap Party turned Dinner was a real success but we ran out of food. Next year we suggest having the cost of the Catered Dinner raised to include the Wrap-Up Dinner.
- We need to have \$300 per day income for the diner but this year we did not. They waived the charge this year. Next year, we will have a few new choices for the menu.
- We planned on 250 individual registrations for last year's budget but we only had 235. We kept the budget tight and still came out with a balance of \$1,168.78 in the black. If we want to have more golf carts this year, we will need more attendees.
- We will need to raise the rates for 2019 to reflect any increases from the fairgrounds.
- In 2018 we will have a smaller stage for the show that might change some of our cost for lighting, sound, etc. We will not be using Douglas Hall.
- We need to change the registration application for the Rally to accommodate those who need to park closer or need electricity for special needs. Many feel that those arrangements need to be made in advance of the Rally. Note: the RV Park was not full this year and they have full hookups. That is one of the reasons we need more golf cart transportation.

Submitted and signed September 26, 2017

*Samuel Dominy*  
Recording Secretary

List of those in attendance:

Alice Ferrell, Klamath Falls  
Joyce & Clyde Burt, Klamath Falls  
Sam Dominy, Eugene  
Tom & Marion Gilkey, Salem

Don & Carol Nedrow, Warren  
Mary & Wayne Swanson, Dallas  
Larry & Terry Parman, Gresham  
Larry & Karen Wells, Jefferson

Pam & Wally Kundert, Sisters



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