Brenda (Russel) Robinson - my Northview 2014 report

After matriculating spent one year at secretarial school in Johannesburg and then worked for accountants for a year.

Left for Australia and visited New Zealand, worked in Toronto. Also visited the USA, Europe and UK and returned to South Africa. after 4 years travelling – back living in Highlands North!!!

Worked for Architects

Married David Robinson in 1972. (David is originally a Zimbo !!) and had 2 sons, Andrew and John – and we now have 5 Grandchildren

Lived in Bryanston (Jo'burg) for many years



Brenda and husband, David, in Australia 2011

Returned to work - Fourways High School in 1987 (the year before the school officially opened) and I could write a book about life as Headmaster's Secretary !!!)

David was in the corporate world in Jo'burg. In 1997 his brother took ill in Zimbabwe and asked him to take early retirement in order to assist him on the farm. Sadly his brother passed away suddenly and I then became a farmer's wife (can you imagine that? – I was scared of moths when we arrived !!).

We had a wonderful few years, David was very successful on the farm, a very big operation with mainly dairy and beef cattle. Unfortunately, the so called "war vets" invaded the farm in 2000 and it became a very difficult and dangerous time. In March 2002 we had a very bad incident and were forced off the farm without any compensation. We travelled back to South Africa (having no roof over our heads!!) and our family were great support. In 2003 we retired to Scottburgh in KZN and have been here ever since.

We play golf and enjoy walking on the beach and fortunately, we both keep in very good health.

Brenda