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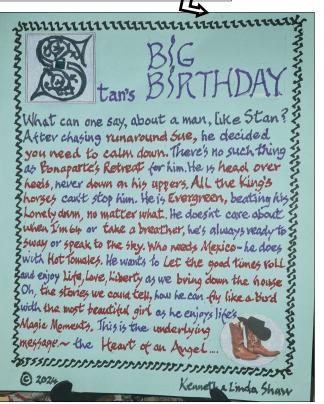


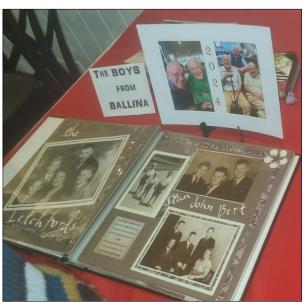
This huge card was designed and written by Kenneth and Linda Shaw. Most of you signed it and wrote greetings. ..but.. You might not have read the dance story on the front. So here it is!











THE NEW BEGINNER

Feeling all alone on a crowded floor, Though they welcomed me as I walked in the door. A thousand thoughts run through my head. Why am I here? I could have stayed in bed.

In muffled distance I hear the instructor's mic. Beside me an older man, in quiet confident tone Says 'you'll be ok, don't think of going home.' Slowly turning, I see smiling eyes, friendly face. I'd heard he helps those feeling out of place.

He points to his wife at the back of the hall. He jokes 'I'd tell you her name if I could only recall'. His wife of 60 years plus, responds with smile, 'He's a real joy, isn't he? Such a treasure' . she quips as she addresses the floor, with pleasure.

The music is on; my friend starts dancing He smiles and motions, occasionally glancing. The music goes on, I try hard as I'm stepping We've finished the dance and everyone's clapping I'm happy! I'm dancing!

An hour flew by and class is over already! He said.. "you'll be ok, just take it steady". An experienced dancer, master, judge, competitor. Respect for a lifetime of memories, again I glance, I wish that I had seen him dance!

By Dí Andrews, 2024

Happy 90th Stan!





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