

## Class of 1968



### Memories

- The dreaded BLUE book at exam time, especially in freshman chemistry.
- Making sauerkraut in bio-chem lab.
- IM injections to classmates in the Powell Hall Nursing Arts Lab really stands out-or sticks out!
- The absolutely black sky and cloud burst of rain on the evening of our commencement on June 8, 1968, which limited our ceremony in Memorial Stadium to marching in, looking at the clouds, and President Malcom Moos declaring us ALL graduated in one big swoop of his arm, then ordering us all to run for cover!! The ceremony took all of 10 minutes! No time for pictures, tears, or goodbyes...it was just over! Thank heaven our own pinning ceremony had taken place at an earlier date.
- Reading endless hours in Diehl Hall/Library.
- Long discussions of nursing philosophy and discussions questioning if nursing was a profession!
- During our junior or senior year, the School of Nursing came under accreditation scrutiny for its "radical" curriculum. One of the 1968 students was asked to meet with a group of accreditors, all of whom wore white gloves. The student's prepared comments were supposed to state "The needs of Nursing." Being a bit nervous, her words instead came out, "The Nerds of Nursing."
- On a more somber note our class, for the most part, were seniors in high school when President John Kennedy was assassinated in November of 1963 and then experienced the disbelief during our senior year in college of the assassinations of Martin Luther King on April 4th, 1968 and two months later-just two days before our graduation-the assassination of Robert F. Kennedy who was running for president. They were uncertain times.