

Albert Robin "Al" Pender, son of Maurice (1896-1948) and Gertrude (Raidt) (1909-1976) Pender, was born 3 August 1939, Hastings, Barry County, Michigan. Al was a graduate of

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Michigan State University where he attained BA and MA degrees. He taught, typing and

general business courses at Okemos High School in 1962-1963 and also was the school's athletic director.

Al married Nola Jean Blunk 28 August 1965, Lansing, Ingham County.



Nola was a graduate of MSU in 1965 and then obtained a Master's degree in 1965. The couple



ATTEND OLIVET WORKSHOP—About 50 teachers from various parts of Michigan attended the two-week workshop on economic education held on the Olivet College campus. Residents of the Lansing area who participated in the 15th annual program were: (Front row) John Wellington, Miss Linda Graham, Albert Pender; (rear, standing) Stephen Gold, Paul Thompson and Mrs. Florence Lostuzzi. Miss Graham and Gold are graduate students at Michigan State University; Thompson, an instructor in economics at MSU; Wellington is Holt High School principal. Pender is education coordinator at Okemos, and Mrs. Lostuzzi teaches seventh grade social studies at East Lansing Junior High School.

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RECEPTION HONORS NEWLYWEDS

Vows Exchanged Saturday

A buffet reception in the Lansing Room of the Jack Tar Hotel followed the Saturday evening marriage of Miss Nola Jean Blunk and Albert R. Pender at South Baptist Church.

The bride, a graduate of Michigan State University and a member of Phi Kappa Phi honorary, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Blunk of 315 Strathmore Road.

Ill., Fay Clardy Jr. of Frankfort, Ind., and Larry Betts of Warren. Carl Mueller, brother of the flowergirl, was ring-bearer.

Mr. Pender, the son of Mrs. Gertrude Pender of Hastings, received his B.A. and M.A. degrees from MSU.

Ushers were Raymond Bruin and Walter Olsson of Grand Rapids, cousins of the bridegroom.

The former Miss Blunk chose a wedding gown of silk-faced peau de soie styled with appliques of reembrodered Alencon lace at the empire midriff, an A-line skirt and cathedral train. She carried a linen and lace handkerchief belonging to her grandmother and a cascade of orchids.

Following a Canadian honeymoon, the newlyweds will make their home in North Dakota where Mr. Pender will continue work on his Ph.D. in business education at the University of North Dakota. The new Mrs. Pender will teach in the College of Nursing at the University.

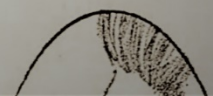
Mrs. David Kocher of Michigan City, Ind., was matron of honor, bridesmaids were Mrs. Roger Hannay of Westerlo, N.Y., Mrs. Jon Kline of Dearborn and Mrs. Frank Luter of Detroit. Miss Catherine Mueller of Dansville was flowergirl. The attendants wore floor-length semi-sheaths of peacock blue moire taffeta and carried cascades of white gamelias with silver lace fans.

Duane Ross of Durand was best man. Groomsmen were Kenneth Arpin of Rock Island,



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moved to North Dakota where Al attended the University of North Dakota and completed a PhD in business education.

By 1975 Al and Nola were living in Illinois. Dr. Al Pender was an Associate Professor of education and acting chairman of the athletic board at Northern Illinois University, DeKalb County, Illinois. His later title was as an Associate Professor of business and economics.

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Nola, born 16 August 1941, also went on to attain her PhD from Northwestern University, Cook County, Illinois. Her illustrious career has had the collaboration of her husband. She is a professor emerita of nursing at the University of Michigan. She also created the Health Promotion Model.

During her doctoral studies, Dr. Nola Pender became interested in health promotion. She said that she was influenced by a doctoral advisor named James Hall, who studied how people's thoughts shape their motivations

and behaviors. In 1982, Dr. Pender published her Health Promotion Model. She has also written a textbook, *Health Promotion in Nursing Practice*. At least seven editions of the book have been published.

Dr. Nola Pender was named a Living Legend of the American Academy of Nursing in 2012. The award has only been given to a few dozen nurses who have made exceptional contributions to the profession. She was president of the academy from 1991 to 1993.

Nola and Al had 2 children. As of 2018 Dr. Albert and Dr. Nola Pender were living in Illinois.