

In 1974 free Square dance lessons were offered from a Square club in Frankenmuth, MI where we lived at the time. I was really interested, Neal was not. I asked him to go and got a very firm "No". I kept on coaxing and after a week or more, he agreed to go with me. After he tried it, he decided he might like it and we signed up for lessons.

We joined a club and danced with many clubs that were in the area.

In 1978 we moved to Decatur, Alabama, found many clubs and joined the Prominaires.

Neal always loved to sing and several callers invited him to sing with them and fill in for them. The more he did it, the more he fell in love with it.

After a year of filling in for other callers, he joined Darryl McMillian's caller school in Florida and graduated.

In 1998 he started a Square Dance club in Athens, Alabama. The club was named "The Shirts and Skirts". Soon after that he was asked to call for the Singles and Doubles club in Huntsville, Alabama.

He continued to call for both clubs until his health failed and he had to give up calling altogether.

Neal truly loved Square Dancing and found it to be very rewarding.

We traveled and danced in many states, doing specials and always meeting many nice people. It was the happiest years of our life.

Thank you, Beverly Redwanz (Callers Taw)