

Lorenzo Cavallo

I was born in June 1951 in Healdsburg, California. I grew up in Alexander Valley on the 30-acre family prune farm along the Russian River. I have two sisters. My dad met my mom in Scotland during WW2 while stationed in London. After the war, he married her and brought her back to California. I grew up working on our ranch, learning to operate tractors, drying prunes, and other chores. I also worked for several farmers in the valley. I attended Alexander Valley Elementary School, Healdsburg Junior High and Healdsburg High School, graduating in 1969. After graduation, I joined the US Air Force and attended boot camp at Lackland AFB in San Antonio, Texas. From boot camp, I was stationed at Castle AFB in Atwater, Ca. I was in transportation and was transferred to Hamilton AFB in Novato, Ca. I was honorably discharged in 1972.

In 1973 I got married and had two sons, raising both boys in Healdsburg. My oldest son is married with two daughters and has his own landscaping business in San Antonio, Texas. My youngest son lives and works in Kentucky.

My work history includes working for the Sonoma County Water Agency, where I worked as an equipment operator. I later worked for PG&E as a backhoe operator until a huge layoff occurred. I then took a job with a private contractor as a backhoe operator until an equipment operator position opened up for Trione Vimark Vineyards. This was my favorite job as I enjoyed working there repairing roads and installing irrigation systems. I got a Class A license so I could move the equipment from place to place and haul grapes to several different wineries during harvest time.

I was divorced when I met and married my current wife. She teaches at Windsor High School and plans to retire after the 2025-26 school year. We've been married for 27 years. We immediately bought a home and moved to Windsor. Our home is now paid off, and we plan on remaining in Windsor. After she retires, we plan to travel around to different states.

Besides traveling, I enjoy working in my garden and around the house. I also enjoy going to SIR and other activities at the Senior Center.