

About Us

Our GWRRA Life History

We joined GWRRA in 2001 with GA Chapter A, McDonough, GA. We served as Chapter A's Assistant Chapter Directors, Chapter Directors from 2001 - 2004 and Chapter Couple of the Year in 2003. In 2004 we joined the GA District Team as 2004 District Couple of the Year and GA District Motorist Awareness Division (MAD) Coordinators, back when Motorist Awareness first got started in GWRRA and it was its own separate Division before being renamed Motorist Awareness Program and being placed under the operational control of Rider Education. In 2017, the Motorist Awareness Program broke out as its own GWRRA "Program", equal with Rider Education, Membership Enhancement and GWRRA University, under the leadership of Mike & Barri Critzman.

Also, from 2004 – 2008 Karla was the GA District Membership Enhancement Coordinator (MEC) and I was voluntold to be an Assistant District Director for Georgia.

From 2008 – 2013 we were asked to join the Region A Team as the Region A MECs. During this same time period, 2008 – 2013, we were asked, and accepted, positions as GWRRA Membership Enhancement Assistant International Directors for the Chapter of the Year Program which was only in its second year of existence.

Well, as most folks do in this great GWRRA organization, we were asked to move into a leadership position of even more importance. We became the GWRRA International Directors for the Membership Enhancement Program. We did for a few short years, 2013 – 2015, until we decided that we needed to enjoy the riding more and the politics less.

During the entire 14-year period listed above we stayed very close and active with our home Chapter, GA Chapter A. We stayed retired for a couple of weeks before we took on new positions in Chapter A again. Karla is still serving as Chapter A's MEC again and I am their MAP Coordinator.

Bob rides a 2002 Metallic Silver Gold Wing that has a 2012 California Side Car Yellow Trike kit on it. I currently have 140,000 miles on this bike.

Karla rides a 2007 Pearl White Gold Wing with a California Side Car Trike Kit and a whole lot of Wing Bling on it. Karla started riding on a small cruiser and quickly worked her way up to a Honda VTX 1300, which she rode for many miles. She finally decided it was time to move up to a life of luxury and bought her Gold Wing. She currently has 80,000 miles on it.

We love riding our Gold Wings. A couple of our most recent rides were to Wing Ding 38 in Billings, MT in 2016 when we rode from there to all of the U.S. Northwestern states. In 2017 we marked the "40 To Phoenix" off our bucket list and continued that ride all the way to California and all the Southwestern states.

We are currently planning a ride to the Northeastern United States in the Spring of 2019 which will get "riding our motorcycles in all of the lower 48 states" marked off our bucket lists.

We have been to all but 2 Wing Dings since we have joined GWRRA and rode to all of those except 1.

Our Personal Lives

Karla & I were married in January 1969 so our 50th anniversary will be on January 21, 2019.

We have four children, ten grandchildren and our first great grandson is due in September 2018. We are blessed that all our children and grandchildren live nearby so we are able to see all of them often.

Bob retired from the U.S. Army in 1990, worked for the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs for 20 years and retired from the VA in 2012

We currently live in Griffin, GA and try to balance our lives between our children, our GWRRA family and our retirement community.