

Member Spotlight

Richard & Dorinda Maier



Our motorcycling adventures as a couple began in February of 1977 when we purchased our first bike, a 1977 Honda CB360T. We were stationed in El Paso, Texas, at that time, and we enjoyed many days of riding throughout west Texas and New Mexico.

After El Paso, we were assigned to Fort Hood, and moved to Belton, where we decided that we wanted a bigger bike, so we traded up to a Honda 550. We logged a lot of miles around Texas on that machine, and eventually took it with us to Germany.

We sold that bike before coming back to the states in 1982, and in 1984 we took our first

step up to a touring bike, a 1984 Yamaha Venture. That Yamaha took us over the highways and byways of SW Oklahoma and eventually back to El Paso for another tour of duty at Ft. Bliss.

After a couple of near miss adventures with inattentive drivers, we got out of the motorcycle business until 2006, when we purchased our current Goldwing. We spent a lot of weekends wishing that we had someone else to go riding with – and then we discovered GWRRA and Chapter O. We joined Chapter O in January 2008, and really enjoy attending the meetings and as many of the rallies as our work schedule will allow.

Dorinda is a Legal Assistant with ERCOT in Taylor, and Rick is Vice President of Operations for Independent Propane Company.

We have two children, one daughter in Kentucky and one daughter in Aviano, Italy. We have two grandchildren in each location as well.

Our lives are kept busy at home by our two dogs – Smokey and Samson, a chow-n shepherd mix and an AKC Saint Bernard.

We look forward to logging many miles with, and enjoying the company of our friends in Chapter O.