

I was born in Missoula and graduated from St. Francis Xavier grade school and Sacred Heart Academy. I attended Chapman College in Orange, CA and graduated from the College of Great Falls.

I married Jim and we lived in Indiana for a year and in California for two years, where I taught third grade. Then we returned to Missoula and I started teaching at Saint Francis Xavier grade school.

Jim and I have two adult children who are the center of our lives. Treasure is married and lives on Maui. She and her husband, Daniel, have a beautiful daughter, Paisley Kaimana. I spend as much of my summer there as possible. Jon is married and lives in Seattle with his wife, Tabitha. He is a self admitted computer nerd and loves his life there.

My mom, siblings and children are products of Missoula Catholic Schools. It's in my blood.

When I'm not teaching, Jim and I like to spend time with our family and friends, travel, hike, canoe, bike, camp and swim. Our favorite places are Flathead Lake and Maui.

I believe it is my job as a teacher to present children with the necessary information in an atmosphere of loving trust.

Being able to bring God into my classroom gives me what I need to help form the whole person. I love teaching young children because they are so eager to explore the wonders of our world and the people in it.