On Thu, Feb 9, 2017 at 2:10 AM, Kathy Staples

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Having lived away from my extended family most of my life I have never really gotten to know the Edbergs' or their history.

Uncle Roy and Aunt Lois shared their labor of love "the Edberg Family Tree", many years ago.

I have enjoyed pouring over the names and connections and am grateful for all their hard work.

It was about 10 years ago that I connected with Birgit in a more personal way. And after mom passed away, Birgit was there, willing to help fill the void it left.

It was so nice to get to know her. Birgit loved to share family history and stories.

When I was able to visit Birgit in Arizona I must admit, I thought she was a little nuts.

Writing dates and names on almost every nick nack or art work in her apartment.

Now I understand and am beginning to do it too. She would share so many memories and stories inspired by those items.

I learned a lot about the Edberg family this way.

I could picture little Birgit and Nana travelling to America to meet Grandpa Arvid in a new country.

Through paintings and needlepoints, gifts of Birgit's aunts and friends, the names on the family tree now had meaning, personalities, and feeling of love shared between them.

I loved hearing about Nana and Grandpa and how they built their new lives here, the struggles they went through.

The recounting of some of the many trips with Uncle Lee and square dancing escapades.

Thank you Aunt Birgit.

Birgit was a wonderful lady, she lived a good and faithful life, I am glad she is at peace.