

I am Niko and Andre Albert's mom and I attended Roosevelt when I was just a little girl also. I was excited to have my boys go to the same elementary. I remember thinking how big everything seemed when I was going to school, the lunchroom, the library etc. Going back now, it does not seem so big any longer. I remember walking to school (because we only lived about 3 blocks away) and it seemed like such a long walk back then.

I actually attended the old Roosevelt school until the 4th grade and then the new (existing) school was built. It was such an exciting time to watch the new school being built, but sad when the old school was torn down. The old school was where the big glass field is now.

The principal at the time was Mr. Wilkins. I have very special memories of all my teachers at Roosevelt: Mrs. Polson, Mrs. Wall, Mrs. Pugh, Mrs. Jenkins, Miss Bankhead, Mrs. Anderson and Mrs. Larsen.

I think the one teacher that stands out mostly is Mrs. Anderson, my 5th grade teacher. I remember her teaching us the capital cities for each of our states. She would use associations to help us remember the state capitals. For example, she taught us that the capital city of North Dakota is Bismarck. And how she made us remember is she told us that Bismarck (bizmark) is a name of a doughnut and because North Dakota starts with the letters N and D, so told us to think of No Deal. In other words, because she was on a diet, she would say "No Deal" to a bizmark doughnut. I still remember that one.

Elementary was such a fun and unique experience and I cherish those times and memories. I hope all the students there remember that their elementary school years are so special and should be cherished.

Dealing with the current staff at Roosevelt, I can tell that the principal, teachers and staff care so much about the children. We as parents, so appreciate them!

Happy 100th Anniversary Roosevelt!