



David French – Class of 1960

My most vivid Southeast memory was playing basketball 1959-1960 and Coach Roitman allowing me to be on the team.

Memories During High School

I don't remember anything happening in KC or the nation that impacted my life at SE. The introduction of black students to Southeast, but we were all students at SE. Preston Washington was a teammate on the basketball team going through what we all were going through under Coach Roitman, trying to make the team.

Really, not until the mid-sixties in college did world events and national events make an impression.

I lived at 6007 Park in the 8th grade and 2232 E. 68th Terrace 8th – 12th grades. My siblings who attended Southeast were: Donald French '56, Sandra Ruhl French '55 and my sister-in-law Pat Hovis-French '56

My most memorable classes and teachers were Mr. Chamblee and Mr. J. Cross for P.E. I remember their fairness to me when I needed discipline. Mr. C. Harman taught drafting. He expected excellence which I didn't get, but it helped me later.

Beyond Southeast

After high school I tried to get a degree in education. I spent two years in the Army and went back to school to get my BSE and MSE on the GI Bill. I have been an elementary school teacher for 5th grade.