

DEDICATION

In 2001 I wrote the Elrod genealogy book and dedicated it to my dad, Vance Frederick Elrod. Now, eleven years later it is time to publish this book and dedicate it to Dola and Earl Edington, the parents of my husband Don and the whole reason for telling the story of the Edingtons. Who knew that forty-three years ago this name change from Elrod to Edington would create the urge to write the book..

I am so very blessed to have Dola and Earl in my life. Though, for many years they lived in Indiana and we lived in Wyoming we treasured the moments we would travel and meet. They visited Wyoming often and

we would make the two day drive to Sardinia, Indiana with kids in the back seat (with no car seats) so they could see their grandparents and meet the Hoosier relatives. Dola and Earl came to Logan, Utah in 1974 and cared for Jim and Kristin while we traveled to the World's Fair in Spokane, Washington. Later, after the kids were raised, we would meet them and travel together. They started us on our Capitol Collection when we met in Pella, lowa for the tulip festival and then a visit to the capitol building in Des Moines, Iowa. Since, we have traveled to all 50 capitol buildings. My in-laws were always the most respectful of our family and carefully spoiled the grandkids. How could a Wyoming gal get so lucky when they passed out in-laws? In 2008 we created endowments at our community college for both Dola and Earl to honor them with perpetual scholarships.

