

Joan Marron-LaRue was raised a Western Oklahoma farm girl. She attended the University of Oklahoma, home of the powerful football team and their marching band, "Pride of Oklahoma". There, as a member of the band and enrolled in the Fashion and Arts department, she had her first taste of national travel, excitement and other adventures.

Joan was selected as O.U.'s "Outstanding Freshman Girl" of 1952. She credits her wonderful life to her farm and small-town upbringing. Likewise, she credits excellent parental and teacher influences.

Upon graduation (and without proper teaching credentials), she taught at the University of Oklahoma. The Oklahoma City Museum of Art and numerous private and regional workshops. Art has proven to be a fabulous passport to exploring the worlds and painting "en plein air."

Twenty-five years ago, Joan and her high school and college boyfriend, Bob LaRue were married and currently are living happily ever after in Tucson, Arizona.