

Appendix A: Timeline for Earl Martin and Helen Jo Osborne Shaeffer

- 1903 September 24th: Birth of Earl Martin Shaeffer at Farnham, Lincoln, Nebraska
- 1906 July 7th: Birth of Helen Josephine Osborne at Denver, Colorado
- 1913 February 17th: Death of Dallas J. Osborne at Denver, Colorado
- 1921 Earl was hired by Mountain States Telephone & Telegraph Co., Denver
- 1923 December 9th: Death of Martin William Shaeffer at Pueblo, Colorado
- 1924 June 6th: Jo graduated from high school in Denver, Colorado
- 1925 January 1st: Marriage of Earl Martin Shaeffer to Helen Jo Osborne, Denver
- 1926 Earl and Jo moved to Grand Junction, Colorado
- 1928 February 7th: Birth of Bobbie Jo Shaeffer at Grand Junction, Colorado
- 1931 August 13th: Birth of Earl Martin Shaeffer, Jr. at Grand Junction, Colorado
- 1939 Jo began presenting book reviews for audiences
- 1943 April: The Shaeffer family moved to Cripple Creek, Colorado
- 1946 October: Earl became telephone company manager of Palisade, Colorado
- 1945 September: Bobbie Jo enrolled at Hiram College, Hiram, Ohio
- 1947 September 7th: Bobbie Jo married William P. Irwin, Jr.
- 1948 September: Jo enrolled at Mesa Junior College, Grand Junction, Colorado
- 1950 April 20, 21st: Jo appeared in leading role of “All My Sons,” Mesa College.
- 1950 June 9th: Jo was awarded Associate Degree from Mesa College
- 1950 September: Marty enrolled at Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah
- 1950 September: Jo began teaching at Pear Park Elementary School, Grand Junction
- 1951 July 14th: Marty enlisted in the United States Navy
- 1952 Earl and Jo built a new home on their orchard in Palisade, Colorado
- 1953 Sept. 20th: Birth of first grandchild – Rebecca Jo Irwin, San Francisco, California
- 1953 Jo took University of Colorado, Boulder extension classes
- 1953 Summer: Jo enrolled at Colorado State College of Education at Greeley
- 1954 August 19th: Jo awarded B A degree from Colorado State College, Greeley
- 1954 September: Jo became principal/teacher of Pear Park elementary school
- 1955 February 1st: Birth of second grandchild – Wm. P. Irwin III, “Bo”
- 1955 July 8th: Marty received honorable discharge from the navy
- 1955 September: Marty returned to his studies at Brigham Young University
- 1957 August 20th: Marty married Ellen Claire Weaver at Los Angeles, California
- 1958 May: Marty graduated from Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah
- 1958 Summer: Bobbie Jo & Jo study together for advanced degrees at U of C, Boulder
- 1958 Fall: Jo became principal at Broadway School, Grand Junction, Colorado
- 1959 Jo is initiated into Chapter DY of P.E.O., a philanthropic educational organization
- 1959 July 22nd: Third grandchild was born – Elizabeth Jo Irwin
- 1959 December 11th: Fourth grandchild was born – Earl Martin Shaeffer III
- 1960 August: Jo and Bobbie Jo are each awarded Master’s Degrees, U of C, Boulder
- 1961 August 5th: Death of May Ellen Suttle Shaeffer in Denver, Colorado
- 1962 March 31st: Fifth grandchild was born – Jo Ellen Shaeffer
- 1963 Jo became principal of two Grand Junction schools: Appleton and Pomona
- 1964 Jo became principal of three schools: Appleton, Lincoln Park and Pomona
- 1966 January 14th: Sixth grandchild was born – John Duncan Shaeffer
- 1966 October 28th: Jo received Outstanding Alumni Award, Colorado State College

- 1966 Jo was listed in Who's Who in Colorado, 1966-67
- 1967 September: Jo transferred as principal to Broadway and Redlands schools
- 1967 Jo received Life Membership in the Parent Teacher Association
- 1968 Jo was listed in Who's Who of American Women
- 1968 Jo was listed in Personalities of the West and Midwest.
- 1968 Earl retired from Mountain States Telephone & Telegraph Co.
- 1968 Earl was inducted into the Telephone Pioneers of America
- 1968 Jo requested a year's leave of absence from Mesa County schools.
- 1968 thru 1969: Jo taught at Western State College, Gunnison, Colorado
- 1969 Jo was listed in the Dictionary of International Biography, 1969-70
- 1969 Summer: Jo presented her resignation to the Mesa County Valley School Dist. Number 51, Grand Junction, Colorado
- 1969 Fall: Jo began teaching at Fresno State College (now California State Univ. Fresno)
- 1970 August 28th: Seventh and last grandchild was born – Daniel Weaver Shaeffer
- 1971 May 15: Jo and Bea Bradley did a workshop in Dillard, Oregon
- 1971 Sept 7th: Jo and Bea Bradley conducted workshop for Mt. Diablo schools, Pittsburg, California
- 1972 April 24th: Death of Pearl Miller Osborne, Denver, Colorado
- 1972 Jo taught two classes at the summer session at Fresno State College
- 1972 Dec. Jo received a request to transfer her Delta Kappa Gamma membership to the Grand Junction chapter (International honor society for women educators)
- 1973 Jo's first semester to supervise student teachers as well as being a full-time lecturer, Fresno State College (now California State University Fresno)
- 1973 August: Jo taught two courses at California State University, Fresno and Visalia
- 1973 September: Earl and Jo moved to their new home in Clovis, New Mexico
- 1974 Spring: Jo taught remedial reading for Eastern NM University, Cannon Air Force Base campus
- 1974 Jo retired from Fresno State College after teaching summer session
- 1975 January 1st: Jo and Earl celebrated 50 years of marriage, their Golden Wedding
- 1975 November: Jo and Earl accompanied Marty and family on a Caribbean cruise
- 1977 December 6th: Earl passed away quietly at home
- 1978 February 18th: Marriage of Rebecca Irwin to Kevin H. Slade (div.)
- 1981 March 11th: Birth of first great-grandchild, Colin Slade
- 1981 August 8th: Marriage of Jo Ellen Shaeffer to Kevin G. Olsen (div.)
- 1982 July 14th: Birth of great-grandson, Ryan Glenn Olsen
- 1984 November 15th: Birth of great-grandson, Austen Slade
- 1986 April 1st: Birth of great-grandson, Kory Shaeffer Olsen
- 1986 July 7th: Jo celebrated her 80th birthday at a gala 3-day party at Pagosa Springs
- 1987 April 4th: Marriage of Bo Irwin to Jeannine Mobley
- 1987 December 4th: Marriage of E. Martin Shaeffer III to Elizabeth Erin Tansey
- 1988 March 2nd: Death of great-grandson, Colin Slade, age 6
- 1989 January 16th: Birth of great-grandson, James Earl Shaeffer
- 1990 October 5th: Birth of great-grandson, Ian Michael Shaeffer
- 1992 April 24th: Marriage of Daniel Weaver Shaeffer to Angela Marie Adair
- 1992 July 17th: Marriage of John Duncan Shaeffer to Kristin Alldredge
- 1993 March 31st: Marriage of Jo Ellen Shaeffer to Steven B. Killpack

- 1993 August 2nd: Birth of great-granddaughter, Kay Shaeffer
1993 September 25th: Marriage of Beth Irwin to Robert Lee Martin
1994 January 7th: Birth of great-grandson, Jacob Martin Shaeffer
1995 April 26th: Birth of great-granddaughter, Courtney Adair Shaeffer
1995 June 4th: Birth of great-grandson, John Duncan Shaeffer, Jr.
1996 July 7th: Jo celebrated her 90th birthday at a reception in Clovis
1997 June 5th: Birth of great-grandson, Martin Daniel Shaeffer
1997 September 13th: Jo fell, breaking her kneecap and shoulder
1998 August 3rd: Birth of great-grandson, Clark Dallas Shaeffer
2000 January 1st: Jo celebrated a new year, a new century, a new millennium as well as marking 75 years since her wedding.
2000 May 25th: Jo passed away quietly at home, aged 93, a widow 22 years
2001 March 17th: Birth of great-grandson, Christopher Jensen Shaeffer
2001 April 18th: Birth of great-grandson, Adam Miles Shaeffer
2003 August 17th: Death of grand-daughter-in-law, Jeannine M. Irwin
2005 January 12th: Birth of great-grandson, Nicholas Weaver Shaeffer
2005 December 25th: Birth of great-grandson, Heber Curtis Shaeffer

* * *

