

# Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

Thanks to Joe and Candy McCreary for a wonderful surprise birthday and anniversary adventure.

Our plans were to drive to Kinder, Louisiana, and stay two days and two nights at the Grand Casino Coushatta Hotel. Instead, we enjoyed a flight to Gulfport/Biloxi, Mississippi, where we stayed for two days and two nights at the Beau Rivage Hotel and Casino. What a treat!

This was Jimmie's first plane trip. He did great! We also enjoyed sightseeing... all the lovely homes on the coast, antique cars and other casinos in the area.

We even enjoyed Candy's walk on the beach.

When we left our house, it was one surprise after another... like the candle in the pie, pictures with the waitress and the balloons for my 21st birthday! Ha! Ha!

Candy said that was the first time that she knew me to be speechless. They even arranged for our daughter, Annette, and our grandchildren, Hillary and Rusty, to join us for dinner! Surprise! Surprise!

We all had a wonderful time. Hillary wanted to know if we were going to live there... not a bad idea.

Joe and Candy, we just wanted y'all to know how much we appreciated your kindness and friendship. We are truly blessed to have such special friends. Words cannot express what we feel in our hearts. We'll treasure these memories forever!

**You're the best! Thanks, again!**

Also, a big thank you to Dan & Sue Canaris and also to Allene (Granny) Canaris for allowing me time off from work. Granny and Sue are always willing to work for me when I need off. Dan and Sue are always doing special favors for us like the gambling money and the barbecue tickets on Sunday.  
How thoughtful of them!

And last, but certainly not least, a special thanks to our children, Rhonda, Jimmie Jr. and Annette and Russell Herman, and our grandchildren, Hillary and Rusty Herman, for making it possible. They gave us spending money and we invested it quite well, I might add.  
What A Delightful Trip!! Of course, everyone knew about the surprise but us.

**We are very lucky and truly blessed to have such special friends and family. May God Bless You!**

*Jimmie & Helen Hotz*