

## San José State University Emeritus Faculty Association Biography

**Name:** Karl J. Mueller

**Department:** Psychology

**Academic Rank:** Professor

**Year Retired:** 1989

**City of Residence:** Los Gatos, CA

**Facebook Page or Website URL:**

**Birthplace:** Columbus, NE

**Birth Year:** 1925

**Marital Status:** Married    **Spouse or Partner's Name:** Mimi

**Children's Names:** Charles, Ann, Kirk

**No. of Grandchildren:** 7

**No. of Great Grandchildren:** 4/9

<b>Colleges or Universities Attended:</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Degree</b>
University of Nebraska	1949	AB
University of Nebraska	1951	MA
University of Nebraska	1955	PhD

<b>Teaching Experience:</b>	<b>From</b>	<b>To</b>
York High School, York NE	1951	1953
University of Nebraska	1953	1955
SJSU	1955	1989+
Pacific Graduate School of Psychology, Palo Alto, CA	1975	1988

### **Administrative, Business, or Professional Experience (other than teaching):**

Medical Corps of U.S. Army, 103rd General Hospital, Ludgershall, England, June 1944-July 1945.

Laboratory Technician, Hematology, Foster General Hospital, Jackson, Mississippi, Aug. 1945-Nov. 1945,

Neuropsychiatric Ward, Insulin Shock Therapy, Kennedy General Hospital, Memphis Tennessee, Nov. 1945-June 1946.

Worked part-time for several elementary school districts as School Psychologist, 1957-88.

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### **Selected Publications:**

Chaired over 90 thesis committees at SJSU

### **Personal Commentary:**

Chaired Art Show for Ming Quong Strawberry Festival, Los Gatos, 12 years.

Member of Ming Quong Board, 6 years; President, 2 years.

Board Member, Graduate School of Psychology, Palo Alto, 2 years; Chaired 25 doctoral dissertation committees; Chaired Curriculum Committee, 6-7 years..

Elder in Presbyterian Church of Los Gatos.

Currently Chair of Personnel Committee, San Jose Presbytery (6 years).

Chaired committee seeking both interim and permanent Associate Executive of San Jose Presbytery.

Member of Preparation for the Ministry Committee, San Jose Presbytery (6 years).

We completed seven trips to Europe, i.e., the Continent three times, twice to the U.K., once to the Mediterranean, and Northern Europe which included: Denmark, Sweden, Finland, Russia, Belarus, Poland, Germany, and the Netherlands ... 21 days of touring. We have also visited New Zealand, a wonderful vacation spot.

Our favorite countries are Switzerland and England, though we have enjoyed all our travels. We found Russia and Belarus somewhat less than sparkling or clean, it might be said. However, inside the palaces, cathedrals, and museums everything was very attractive and even mind-boggling so far as classical art, statuary, etc. are concerned. Society is very interesting; it appears that there are "haves" and "have nots," mainly the latter. The so-called New Russians are claimed to be very well off financially.

Large, beautiful monuments honoring the soldiers of the Second World War and the people as well are very dramatic, well designed, and quite numerous. One example is the complex commemorating the 900-Day Siege of Leningrad, now St. Petersburg again. We found this monument to be extremely emotion-provoking and especially symbolic; e.g., 900 shell casings used as candle bases line the interior of this large edifice, and the statuary outside depicts a variety of kinds of people who fought and those who were saved.

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