

## Gary Brannigan

### *My Post-Grad Journey:*

Following graduation, with my Psychology degree and all I learned from two mentors at Fairfield (Dr. Ron Salafia and Dr. Alex Tolor), my wife (Linda) and I headed to the University of Delaware to begin my doctoral studies in psychology. My strong research background (especially my work as a research assistant to Alex) served me well. I completed the requirements (including my clinical psychology internship at the Devereux Foundation) in 4 years. In 1973, we moved to New York for my position as Assistant Professor of Psychology at the State University of New York - Plattsburgh. The combination of research and clinical training allowed me to go beyond teaching throughout my 45 years at Plattsburgh. I published over 100 professional articles and 16 books, and received the State University of New York Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Scholarship in 2006. I retired as Professor Emeritus of Psychology in 2018. Linda and I celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary in September, 2018, with our two sons and their families (including 3 grandchildren). We enjoy living in a small, college town on Lake Champlain, close to Canada and Vermont. And, I am still writing and nearing completion of an updated version of an Amazon e-book for parents of children with disabilities.

### *What is your favorite Fairfield University memory?*

My fondest memory was Senior Week because I got to share my final Fairfield experiences with my parents and wife. Most importantly, it was my chance to show my gratitude for their love and support.