

# Little Suzie Dorton Turns 40

Okay, I said it, I am going to turn 40 in December. (Dorton is my maiden name)

Well, there is a whole list of things I want to do before 40 hits. One item is to go through all of my old photos and memorabilia. I started this endeavor today.

I encourage you too to take this delightful journey through old journals (with self-authored poems no less), photographs of big-haired people and cards from people you don't remember (who is Kim and why did she "owe her life" to me?)

Anyways, of course I will be dragging all of you through my past unashamedly. So if you knew me during this time and I have a photograph of you, be prepared to say, "What was I thinking?" as you come face to face with the "you" I knew in the eighties.

To set the stage, this is a picture of me (and my hair and nails) in 1986.



Below is my first little gold nugget. It is a flyer from a Christian Rock Concert at Knott's Berry Farm circa 1986. I was very into this "scene" when I was 17. Most of my friends I have today survived from this period of my life.



(click on the picture to enlarge)

My best friend, The Goot, is married to the drummer of "Wild Blue Yonder." Here is a picture I took of Joey that very night.



I also took the picture on the flyer of "The Lifesavers." Below is another picture from the same "photo shoot" in my parent's garage.



Brian Doidge, Kevin Annis and Mike Knott

And here is the card that Brian sent me, along with some flowers (not pictured. I can't save EVERYTHING), thanking me for taking the pictures. He was my boyfriend at the time. It was clearly in the beginning of our relationship.



I haven't seen him in over 20 years, but I am quite certain he wouldn't want me to post that. (Now you can all make a mental note to never, ever, express a sentiment to me that can be reproduced.)

To close off this post, one of my favorite bands from High School, Simple Minds.....