

**NISKAYUNA HIGH SCHOOL**  
*Class of 1964 Notable Alumni*



240 Graduates  
9 National Merit Semifinalists  
14 Ivy League Undergraduate Degrees  
6 Ivy League Graduate Degrees  
5 Members of the Niskayuna Hall of Fame

**5 Members in the Niskayuna High School Hall of Fame**

John J. Gatta  
Vernon F. Hovey  
James Howe  
Sandra Sennett Tully  
E. Richard Yulman

**Marija Byrant (Vaivads)** **Class of 1964**  
Writer for Creative Partners, Norwalk, Connecticut

**John J. Gatta** **Class of 1964**  
BA from Notre Dame and PhD from Cornell  
Fulbright Scholar  
Dean of Sewanee University of the South  
Niskayuna High School Hall of Fame (1989)

**Lt. Vernon F. Hovey III** **Class of 1964**  
1st Lieutenant - United States Army - 101st Airborne Division  
Shot down over Thua Thien, South Vietnam  
Name is listed in Panel 9W, Row 14 of the Vietnam Memorial  
Niskayuna High School Hall of Fame (1990)

**James Howe**

**Class of 1964**

Author - Over 80 Children's Literature Books  
Niskayuna High School Hall of Fame (1986)

**Ross Marrs**

**Class of 1964**

PhD from the University of Washington and BA from Cornell  
Physicist at the Lawrence Livermore National Lab in Livermore, California

**Louis LeGrande Serras**

**Class of 1964**

BS from the University of Miami  
President of the Real Seafood Company

**John Schutt**

**Class of 1964**

Vice-President of Ball Healthcare, Mobile, Alabama

**Sandra Sennett Tully**

**Class of 1964**

Humanitarian and a United Nations Program Director in Thailand  
Niskayuna High School Hall of Fame (1985)

**E. Richard Yulman**

**Class of 1964**

Educator and Former CEO of Serta Corporation, Tulane University Board  
Majority Donor for Yulman Stadium at Tulane University  
Niskayuna High School Hall of Fame (1988)

## Class of 1964

### 14 Ivy League Undergraduate Degrees

1 Princeton  
2 Brown  
2 Dartmouth  
9 Cornell

(Also 1 MIT and 3 Northwestern and 1 Michigan)

### 6 Ivy League Graduate Degrees

1 PhD from Harvard, 1 PhD from Wharton (Penn), 1 Masters from Brown, 2 Cornell PhD's,  
1 MD from Penn

(Also - 1 PhD from Cal-Berkeley; 1 PhD from Vermont; 1 EdD from University of Pacific)

### 9 National Merit Semi-Finalists

Barbara Dreier	Radcliffe College
Peter Groot	Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Susan Hagadorn	University of Michigan
Richard Mains	Brown University and a PhD from Harvard
Ross E. Marrs	BA from Cornell and PhD from Washington
Thomas R. Miller	Chemist at Knolls Atomic
Anita Terrentine	
Lois Van Hoessen	Smith College
David A. Yeater	Cornell University and MBA and PhD from Cornell

8 Entered Military Service  
(1 Air Force Academy Graduate)

### 1 Fulbright Scholar

John J. Gatta

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