

## MEMBER PROFILE: BRUCE & VERONICA POWELSON

Bruce and Veronica met in Quito Ecuador where they were both working for Occidental Petroleum.

Bruce has lived in Japan, Peru, Columbia, Venezuela and Ecuador. He has been to almost every country in South America on business. Besides Ecuador, Veronica lived in Antigua for a couple of years. Bruce and Veronica have been fortunate enough to have traveled to many countries in Europe, Asia and the Middle East. Working for an oil company kept Bruce moving quite a bit and he has friends in many different countries. Since Bruce was out of the United States for more than 18 years, he wasn't able to have a Corvette for all that time or he would have had more than 7!!!!!!

Bruce's passion for Corvettes started in 1972 when he bought a marlboro maroon 1967 convertible, 327 ci, 300 HP with a four speed which he completely restored. He kept it for 10 years and sold it when he was transferred overseas for more than five times what he paid for it.



When he came back to the United States in 1988, he bought a bright red coupe and the story repeats ...... had to sell it again because of a transfer overseas.



A few years after he returned, he bought his third Corvette, a 2006 red coupe.

When the C7 came out, he had to have one, so he bought a new 2014 red coupe, which he traded in for a 2016 650 HP, red Z06.



Ever since he left the country and had to sell his 1967 vette, he wanted one of the old classics again, so he bought a 1968 white coupe with a four speed.

When the C8's came out, he traded in his Z06 for a white 2020 coupe. His order went in the first day GM accepted them, and he got his almost 8 months later. It is a completely different car from the previous one.



Bruce and Veronica enjoy their Corvettes and their Corvette friends.

I hope everyone enjoys learning a little something about Bruce and Veronica. A big thanks to Bruce and Veronica for providing the information and pictures.

## Donnie Hansen, Newsletter Editor