

Museum of Vanning
Director's Blog
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Good Evening Vanners.

So my message to you this January 19, 2020 is the word "Opportunity." Two years ago, after the Council of Council's in Las Vegas Bonnie and I and our Norwegian friends Einar and Segret made a little trek to Southern California to visit an old friend. I will never forget the look on her face when I walked in the door as she welcomed me into her home for Darrel and her now Famous annual Super Bowl party. The look on Camel's face was priceless. First she said "O MY Gawd!" and what the heck are you doing in California? I told her I was taking advantage of an opportunity to party with an old friend. Being in Las Vegas was just too close to pass up.

So I know this post is supposed to be about the Museum and Vanning and history. "Camel" exemplified that as much or more than anyone I have known in Vanning. Her legacy runs from Ohio in the old Steel Valley days to "What Vans " in California. Her biggest legacy may be how the National "Vanpoon" held the communication lines together between the old van magazine's and today's internet. Sharron "Camel" Brooks passed away yesterday and I miss her already.

So.....at this point in our lives and in our Vanning Family History, next time an Opportunity arises maybe you could pause for a moment and think about that someone special in your life and take advantage of the "Opportunity and maybe just stop by or give them a ring. I believe Camel and Darrel are Still Truck-in around in the "Old Girl" on their way to a Truck-in somewhere. Hey Look! Theirs Boob Fetish and all the other's that have passed before us waiting at the pearly front gate. Rest in Peace my friends.

