



When the doors of Northside High School opened in 1963, Barbara and her husband Ted had three children at Tabor Junior High School and one daughter at the grammar school. When Bob Hale, the Band Director of Northside Jr and Northside High School brought the 8th grade students over to Northside High School to practice with the high school band, Barbara and Ted joined efforts to raise money for the new school's band uniforms. Then, in 1964, the Waddles joined the Northside Booster Club where they were part of the original 15 members. Every meeting, the Waddles and those original 15 worked hard to get new members.

In 1963, Principal Sutherland asked Mrs. Waddle to come by the office where he asked for her help. The school secretary at the time had sold reserved seat tickets but had not made a list of who had paid and who owed, it took Barbara two weeks and lots of hunting to figure it out, but once she went back to the Principal, he asked her to take over the selling of the reserved seats. From that day forward, Barbara Waddle was the sole seller of reserved seat tickets until 2008—that is a total for 45 years. Barbara only stopped then because her beloved husband Ted was in ill health.

Barbara and Ted both served as Booster Club Presidents, Ted for 2 years and Barbara for 1. They worked on many projects to make money for the football team, cheerleaders, and other sports. Barbara and Ted also went to all out of the town games for as long as his health would let them.

Barbara has been a part of Northside High School from the beginning and she truly believes It's Great to be a Northside Eagle!

What does Northside High School mean to you?

When asked this question, Barbara said, "How do I even put into words how much this school means to me?" She finally was able to answer; Northside High School has always had a large family feel about it when you enter the doors. The Principal, teachers, counselors, office staff, coaches, and all others are always helpful. Northside means the world to me. Our home was always open to the teachers and students of Northside.