

Denise Robertson

I became involved with IRLC at the first meeting when a group of lake and local people gathered around a kitchen table to discuss the opportunity of beginning a Land Trust. From nearly the beginning and for most of the 15+ years that the Conservancy has existed, I have been the administrator of office processes and procedures. This was a natural step for me as I approached retirement from Chief Financial Officer of a specialized interior construction company in Rochester, NY. My experience with the daily operations of a closely held company was excellent preparation for the volunteer position I have undertaken with IRLC.

I have been coming to Butterfield Lake since 1966 when my family purchased a summer camp. My husband, Ed, and I purchased our own family camp in 1981, and spent nearly every weekend and vacation there with our two children as they were growing up. Since our retirement in 2002, we have spent our summers enjoying the fresh air, wildlife and scenic beauty that originally attracted us here. Now our grandchildren spend their summer vacations with us at our farm and cottage. It is important that we protect and nurture this place we call home for future generations.

Married to Ed Robertson, 1971
One Son, Andrew born 1977
One Daughter, Emily born 1978
Grandchildren Drew and Eli

-1970 Graduate Penfield High School, Penfield, NY

-1970-2002 R.W. Dake & Co., Inc., East Rochester, NY

Office Manager, Corporate Secretary, Treasurer, President, CFO, Owner

-1972-1974 While in Vermont worked for Air North as Office Assistant.

I joined my father's construction company immediately after graduating from Penfield High School. Left the company from 1972 to 1974 to accompany my husband to Vermont. Returned to the construction company after his college graduation.

-2002-2012

Retired .. Spent summers at Butterfield Lake, Redwood, and spent winters in Satsuma, Florida

-2013 Built a year round home in Theresa, NY with my husband on our 373 acre grass farm.

Hobbies include playing golf in the summer, quilting, reading, cross country skiing and snowshoeing in the winter.

Founding Member of IRLC 1998

Volunteer 1998 to present

Record Keeper and Administrator 1999-2007, 2009 to present

Joined the Board of Directors in November, 2013 as co-chair of the finance/administration team.