

Freddy Millott

by Doug Kent

Born in 1941 in Torrance, he attended school to the age of 15 and then became an apprentice Chef at a well known seafood restaurant. (Now right here you know that is not your usual Prime Timer story) As an apprentice he earned recognition and certificates in kitchen practice and restaurant service. After three years he decided to make a switch and started working in the Hospitality Industry at a well known airport hotel. At about this time he met Bill, his partner for the next 36 years. The airport hotel exposed our Prime Timer to all aspects of hotel management, something that would serve him well in his future. He also lectured on these topics at Langside College. His first real break came when he ran a 9000 member social club for Chrysler for the next 10 years. With all this experience in food service and hotel management our Prime Timer and his partner decided to move, after Chrysler sold their plant, to a well known seaside resort where they bought a hotel with 14 rooms. (I told you this would not be the typical P.T. story) Two years later they bought a larger hotel with 25 rooms and for the next 13 years they worked in their hotel in this wonderful seaside resort.

Bill had some health problems and decided to retire in 1992 while our Prime Timer continued to work. He sold the hotel and took a position with a brewery and ran a large food service for them. In an unfortunate accident he sustained some major injuries and was off of work for some time. A year after returning to work, his partner Bill went into the hospital for a serious operation and did not recover. Our Prime Timer decided to stop full time work and worked part time for some friends who had some hotels.

In 2001, things took a turn for the better. Through a mutual friend our Prime Timer began to correspond with John. For the next four years, our Prime Timer and John maintained a long distance relationship, seeing each other just about every weekend. After all the miles they decided to move in together and our Prime Timer helped John with his computer business.

In 2007 as fate would have it, they decided to take a cruise. The cruise departed for Fort Lauderdale and our couple fell in love with cruising and with Fort Lauderdale. In 2009 they purchased their condo in Fort Lauderdale and joined the Prime

Timers. They still maintain their original residence and are now official transcontinental snowbirds, living in Fort Lauderdale from November through April. They both enjoy bowling and socializing with all the “gents” here in South Florida. They both still work on a part time basis but they always have time to enjoy life to the fullest.

