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Everything started for me in the early sixty's when I wired my parent's house with all remote control wiring. Then when I went to college, I changed my major from pre-med to pre-engineering. But after that my fiance and I broke up and I joined the army. While in the army I maxed a 31 week electronics course and they put me in a teaching course where I spent two years teaching radar technology to officers and enlisted. While I was in the service I began working on some commercial boats while at home on the weekends. Then when I got out of the service I opened an electronics store, got married and also started a new job at Grumman working in the avionics lab at night. After doing that for four years I finally opened Peconic Electronics in 1970.

While at Peconic I worked with Northstar, Datamarine, Si-Tex and Raytheon and many others. My business was about 60 percent pleasure and 40 percent commercial. In 1973 Allen Schneider joined my staff, at that time I had him and another tech. We were involved with all the boat shows in the New York area and down in Florida. We became one of the first dealers

for Glendinning Marine in 1973. I was also very active with Raytheon and in 1980 I was one of the largest dealers in the world. Also was a HAM operator and my call sign was WA2BVV. In the same year mother nature decided to give me terminal pancreatic cancer. Three months later testicular cancer and seven months later spinal cancer of which I survived all of them and here I am today. In 1995 I closed Peconic Electronics and moved to Florida where I now reside. Then in 1996 I opened Hampton Electronics. In 2008 my grandson joined the company and now heads up all the installations under my direction.

Now, at the age of eighty, I'd like to be a bigger part of the organization and I believe with all my experience in the industry over the years I would be a valuable asset to NMEA.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Brewster H. Griffing', written in a cursive style.

Brewster H. Griffing