

John Daniel Elliott *

Parents returning to their hometown now take their children to Otowi Station Bookstore to purchase postcards of aerial views of Los Alamos, the Valle Grande, and surrounding mesas taken by award-winning photographer Dan Elliott.

Dan and Marcelle Elliott arrived in Los Alamos in August 1949 and raised their five children, Joanne, Barbara, Jeanne, Carol, and Brian on the Hill. In 1955, Dan purchased a photo shop and for thirty years he photographed the Los Alamos High School graduates as they received their diplomas. He also captured the wedding days of countless brides as well as historical events, including President Kennedy's visit. Active in the Los Alamos Education Group, Dan developed a historical display for the Bradbury Science Museum and helped create a site at Ashley Pond which commemorates those who worked at the Manhattan Project.

In the early 1950s, Dan traveled to Eniwetok to photograph the Greenhouse, Ivy, and Castle tests. His 'Ranger Fox' photo hung in President Truman's White House and appeared in U.S. News & World Report.

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