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I became interested in Sherlock Holmes after reading *The Speckled Band* in a Reader's Digest condensation many, many years ago. My parents seized upon this interest and purchased THE CANON as a Christmas Present, followed by 33 1/3 records with recordings of early Holmes radio programs, then television dramatizations by Basil Rathbone/Nigel Bruce, the television series from Granada, supplemented with an incredible number of pastiches (some were even well written).

- **2.** My favorite story is: *The Empty House*
- 3. My favorite character (excluding Holmes and Watson) is definitely Mycroft Holmes.
- **4.** I enjoy the fraternity of the monthly <u>meetings</u>. The depth of knowledge among some of the members is astounding. Quick wit and clever phrases (puns, mostly) abound.

## **Biographical Sketch**

I have had a varied <u>career</u> in <u>Law Enforcement</u>, much too lengthy and varied to discuss. I briefly attended several colleges/universities prior to sustaining an "on the job" injury sufficient to require separation from Federal Service. I was trained as a "paralegal" and "Emergency Medical Technician" as well as serving as part of an intelligence "working group".

I am married, have four cats and reside in Lebanon, Tennessee.