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FAMILY STORIES

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PERSONAL INTERVIEWS

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My grandma grew up in Missouri with her parents. She grew and got married and had nine children. She worked to support her family while her oldest daughter took care of the house and the other kids while her mother was at work.

When my grandma was a child she played on the Banks of the Missouri River in Iowa. Several of the kids would swim in the river. They had no t.v. or any of the computer games kids have now. In the summer they would play outside or work whenever they could find any. Sometimes they worked in fields for fifty to a dollar a day. They had to make their own form of entertainment. They also spent alot of time reading. Everyone grew a garden so that gave them something to do. One day they were playing on the banks of the river where a small boy fell in the river and drowned. No one played their any more. One year the water in the river was down very low and their were many fish so they had all the fish they wanted. This was during the depression years and they did not have the things people have today. My grandmas first job was for three dollars a week babysitting. When the second week started she was working in a hospital for eighteen dollars a week.

My grandmas dad rode as a cowboy in the sand hills of Nebraska around the year 1900. He had a pair of chaps he wore, which my uncle has now. My grandma also has a set of china dishes that her great grandmother got as a wedding present. They found out that they had come from Nebraska. She also has a picture of a horse named Oregon Beauty. My grandma was told that her great grandfather rode the horse in Buffalo Bills Codys wild west medicine show.

My uncle joined the army at age 17, he spent one year in Korea, three years in Germany, came home, then he enlisted and spent another three years in Germany. He married a german girl and has two sons. My other uncle spent one year in Vietnam in the army