



Wasatch Hollow Community Council

Interview Summary and Index

Interviewee: Marilyn “Toni” Openshaw Chapman

Interviewer: Anne Cannon

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Location: Provo, UT

Summary

Marilyn Openshaw Chapman shares memories about growing up at 1354 Harrison Avenue during the 1930s and 40s. She talks about girlfriends and boyfriends, walking to and from school, delivering newspapers during WWII, riding horses, and church activities. She tells about meeting her future husband, their early courtship, and the birth of their first child in Japan at the end of the Korean War.

Note: During a good portion of this interview Marilyn is making comments as she looks through photographs. She shares sixteen of them in the Images section that follows this interview.

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Time	Brief description
00:00	Introduction.
00:20	Best friends. Moved into [Wasatch] Ward in 1931. Lila Hansen, Beth Wood. Walked dolls in neighborhood.
01:00	Night Games. Kick the Can, Apple (a type of Hide and Seek).
01:35	Green Apples and ghost stories. 1354 Harrison Avenue.
01:53	School friends. Uintah School, K through 7. Flag ceremony. Graduated high school 1946. Walked to and from school without parents.
03:14	Gang. Gang of seven friends (see Image 16). Met under arc light at Roosevelt and 14th. Ice cream cones at Paramount Ice Cream.
03:52	Newspaper route. Delivered 175 <i>Salt Lake Tribune</i> newspapers with Beth Wood. WWII. Sunday helpers: Alice Cannon, Pat, Melza, Marilyn Smith, Marvel, Jean, Beth Wood. Campfire breakfasts by Alice Cannon’s.
05:02	Church meetings. Sunday: Sunday school, sacrament meeting. Tuesday: MIA (Mutual Improvement Association).
05:42	Dr. Hawkins. Chiropractor. Elizabeth (Betty) Hawkins, Charlotte Hawkins (married Eugene England).



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06:32	Photos. Talks about photos of friends (see Images 1-5 for some of the photos and the names of individuals in them).
09:27	Riding horses. Rented horses and rode in pastures on the hill between 17 th South and 21 st South.
10:45	Slumber party. Marilyn Smith's (Images 6-7).
12:04	Seminary Chickaree. Mill Creek Canyon (Images 8 and 9).
12:49	LDS Seminary class. 7:00 am. Ezra Taft Benson's sons Mark and Reed.
13:28	Riding Horses. Old racehorse. Pinto pony. Entered Days of '47 Parade. (Images 10-12)
14:21	Saltaire. Swimming (image 13).
14:52	Boyfriends. Craig Stewart. Pat's boyfriend died in an accident.
16:11	The name "Toni." Three friends named Marilyn, drew names—Sandy Smith), Toni Openshaw. Mary Lynn Fairbanks.
16:51	Howard Holding. First cousin, Jet fighter pilot, killed in Japan.
17:28	More friends. Images 14-16.
17:46	Marriage and graduation. Married Dr.Chapman in 1949. Graduated from University of Utah later.
18:20	"I hate men!" Attended Days of '47 at University of Utah seven times each with a different boyfriend.
19:46	Meets husband. Met Eugene Chapman while singing under the fourth pipe of Tabernacle organ. Nephew told him, "She hates men!" Dated on motor scooter.
22:01	Virginia Koch. Admired Virginia who married Dale Kirkham.
22:40	Parents. Father and mother active church members. Older big sisters.
23:34	Wasatch Ward. Participated in ward plays. Elizabeth Smith.
24:44	Develops own pictures. "A miracle!" Taught son, Bruce, photography. He started a business called Worldwide Photos.
25:54	"Chickaree." Began as chicken dinner picnics in Millcreek Canyon.
26:20	Son Bruce. Husband drafted in Korean War, 1951. Accompanied him to Japan. Tokyo Army Hospital. Gave birth to son and returned [to USA] by boat. Bruce Evans Chapman was blessed in Wasatch Ward at six weeks of age.
28:24	End time