

### **Edna Baldwin (1)**

This recording is of an interview conducted by Dr. Alvin Jackson of Edna Baldwin. The interview was done in Washington, D.C., in 2005, though the exact date and location are unknown. Topics addressed focus on family genealogy, such as marriages, children reared, and deaths.

ALVIN JACKSON: [00:00:00] -- two thousand and five. I'm in Washington, DC, at the home of Cousin Charles.

CHARLES EMORY: But I am here. (laughter)

JACKSON: How are you doing?

CHARLES EMORY: I'm fine. How are you doing there?

JACKSON: Really good. I wasn't sure.

JANNIE EMORY: (overlapping dialogue; inaudible).

JACKSON: I was going like, "How are you doing? You're looking like your mama."

JANNIE EMORY: (laughter) (overlapping dialogue; inaudible).

JACKSON: Oh, yes, I was going to find --

JANNIE EMORY: (inaudible) reckon. I said, "You know what? I should have told him to take a cab," and I was (overlapping dialogue; inaudible)."

JACKSON: No, no. I could find it, absolutely. How are you all doing?

JANNIE EMORY: Oh, we're doing fine.

CHARLES EMORY: (inaudible), come in, have a seat.

JACKSON: Thank you, thank you.

JANNIE EMORY: (overlapping dialogue; inaudible).

JACKSON: Well, I came. I said, I wish I'd been a little earlier, but I -- you were working today, and I said it would be better to...

CHARLES EMORY: Yeah, but (inaudible).

JANNIE EMORY: Let me hang your coat.

JACKSON: Oh, it's all right. I can keep it right here. I can keep it right here on this --

JANNIE EMORY: You want to put it right here?

JACKSON: Yeah, that'll work real good.

JANNIE EMORY: OK. (laughs)

JACKSON: And where's my cousin Edna?

JANNIE EMORY: She's here waiting for you.

JACKSON: Oh, my goodness.

JANNIE EMORY: She's -- here she is. (overlapping dialogue; inaudible)

JACKSON: Well, I declare. Lord have mercy. You have been blessed.

EDNA BALDWIN: Lord, (overlapping dialogue; inaudible).

JACKSON: Cousin Edna, you don't even look any hardly different.

BALDWIN: Oh, have mercy.

JACKSON: Lord have mercy. Come and sit down and let's talk. (laughter) Where is your chair?

BALDWIN: (overlapping dialogue; inaudible).

JACKSON: No, you show me where your chair -- and I can --

BALDWIN: Either of them -- either of them is fine.

JACKSON: No, I'll get close to where you want to sit. (laughter) You're the queen today. I am in -- I will do what the queen says.

BALDWIN: I declare. Lord have m--  
JACKSON: I can't believe this.  
BALDWIN: -- have mercy.  
JACKSON: How are you doing? You look so good.  
BALDWIN: I'm doing fine -- doing fine.  
JACKSON: The first thing I want to know --  
BALDWIN: Uh-huh?  
JACKSON: -- is, what is the secret that you have been carrying all these years?  
BALDWIN: (laughs) Well, honey, I don't know just living in praise, trusting in the Lord.  
JACKSON: Lord have mercy. That must be some good praying and trusting.  
BALDWIN: Yeah, he is really good to me.  
JACKSON: Absolutely. Now, Cousin Edna, how old just are you?  
BALDWIN: If I live to see the 24<sup>th</sup> of October this year, I'll be 99 years old. I'm 98 -- and I'll be 99 years old.  
JACKSON: Ninety-eight years old.  
BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.  
JACKSON: Lord have mercy.  
BALDWIN: Have mercy.  
JACKSON: And so, that means you would have been born in about nineteen -- what? -- six or seven?  
BALDWIN: Yeah, uh-huh.  
JACKSON: What --  
JANNIE EMORY: He looks like the (overlapping dialogue; inaudible). (laughter)  
JACKSON: I'll tell you what, I actually came to get some of this history from her, because I came one time before --  
JANNIE EMORY: (overlapping dialogue; inaudible).  
BALDWIN: Yeah.  
JACKSON: -- and talked to your mama.  
BALDWIN: And say what, honey?  
JACKSON: I said, I came to get some history from you.  
BALDWIN: Uh-huh.  
JACKSON: Because there's not a whole lot of folk with the history. And so, I want to talk to you. I got my little camera. I've got my little tape recorder. And I'm going to ask you as many -- and I even brought my little computer.  
BALDWIN: Uh-huh.  
JACKSON: And I've got some information on your family, and I want to see how -- I want you to help me out.  
BALDWIN: Well, now, how did you find -- call me here?  
JACKSON: Well, I had your phone number from years ago in my records.  
BALDWIN: Oh, you did?  
JACKSON: And I called back down to my wife, and asked her to get the numbers out. And then I called you, and it happened to be the same number. Oh, I was lucky, because I did not know if you were still at this number.  
BALDWIN: Uh-huh.  
JACKSON: I did not know.  
BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: But, I want to -- all I'm going to do is just turn on my little computer system.  
And I'm trying to -- I want to get some information out of here, and I wanted to ask  
Cousin Edna all she can tell me about her family.

BALDWIN: (inaudible).

JACKSON: Now, how many of your brothers and sisters are -- of all of them, how many are  
living?

BALDWIN: How many are living?

JACKSON: Yes.

BALDWIN: All my sisters and brothers is dead.

JACKSON: Everybody?

BALDWIN: Everybody. I'm the onliest one living.

JACKSON: You're the only one living?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: Everybody else is gone?

BALDWIN: Everybody else is gone.

JACKSON: I declare.

BALDWIN: Yeah, I'm the oldest Lee that's living. And Cousin Raymond Lee is next. We is  
the two oldest ones.

JACKSON: You all are the two oldest ones.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh. You know Raymond?

JACKSON: I know Cousin Raymond.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: Now, he is -- you are older than him?

BALDWIN: Yeah, I'm older than him. I'm older.

JACKSON: Now, when is your birthday?

BALDWIN: My birthday is the 24<sup>th</sup> of October.

JACKSON: October the 24<sup>th</sup> --

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: -- nineteen what?

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JACKSON: Can somebody help -- see, now -- see, this --

CHARLES EMORY: I don't know (inaudible).

JACKSON: OK, this is 1905.

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: And then, this year, she would be 98?

CHARLES EMORY: This is two thousand -- oh five.

BALDWIN: No, I'm 98 now. I'll be 99.

JACKSON: Oh, you'll be 99?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh. I'm 98 now.

JACKSON: Oh, so, this year, you've been saying -- then that means you was born in 1906.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: In 1906.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: Is Cousin Hetty Wallace still living?

BALDWIN: You know, I don't know.

JACKSON: Now, she's your cousin too, isn't she?

BALDWIN: Yeah, yeah, we're all cousins. Mm-hmm, sure is, honey.

JACKSON: Yes, indeed.

BALDWIN: Yeah. (laughs)

JACKSON: Now, what I wanted to ask you is about your mama and your daddy. Now, your mother's name was Charity Lee.

BALDWIN: Yeah.

JACKSON: Do you know -- you don't know when her birthday was, do you?

BALDWIN: No, I don't know when her birthday was.

JACKSON: Now, do you know when she died, what year it was? Does anybody know that?

BALDWIN: Well, I'll tell you, I was 12 years old when Mama died.

JACKSON: You were 12.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: So, if you was born in 1906, [00:05:00] that would be 1918, or either, then, 1919.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: So you were -- somewhere around. So, you were 12 years old.

BALDWIN: I was 12 years old, and I had to quit school then, because I'd -- I had just got into fourth grade, and see we you stayed out in the country. Way out there in the country. So - - and we had a -- that was our farm, our home. And so, my daddy lost it about two years after Mama died. And then we just moved around from one white folks' house to the other. And --

JACKSON: Do you remember any of those white folks' places you all used to move on?

BALDWIN: Used to move on?

JACKSON: Yeah, the --

BALDWIN: Yeah, but I don't remember too much, but I do remember we lived on the Wiley Brannon --

JACKSON: Wiley Brannon.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh, the Wiley Brannon place. And the Eddie Fields -- the Eddie Fields's, uh-huh.

JACKSON: Now it -- so, your dad -- you don't know what year he lost the place. Did -- he lost it before your mama died or after?

BALDWIN: Oh, he lost it after. He lost it two years after Mama died.

JACKSON: After your mama died --

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: -- he lost the place. Now, where is that place where your mama died at? Do you know where that --

BALDWIN: Down there, near Fishtrap.

JACKSON: That's down there near Fishtrap?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh. Because sometimes our well would go dry, and we'd put a pump down. We'd have to tote water from the spring down there, from Fishtrap -- the church -- you know, the spring down there. We got to tote water up there and all. Yes, sir.

JACKSON: Now, were you the oldest of all of your mama's children?

BALDWIN: No, I had a half-sister, was older than I was. But I was the oldest one on Papa's side now. And Mama had one child before she married my dad. Her name was Viola.

JACKSON: Viola what?

BALDWIN: Parrish -- Dan Parrish was her daddy. Do you remember?

JACKSON: Cousin Viola -- you look like Cousin Viola. I declare, you're favor. So, Cousin Viola is your sister.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh, yeah, she's my sister -- my half-sister, yeah.

JACKSON: OK, so, your mother, Charity Lee, had a child by Dan Parrish.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: And that was before. And that's Cousin Viola.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: And that was your sister?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh, that's right.

JACKSON: I remember Cousin Viola.

BALDWIN: Yeah, yeah, I know you ought to anyway.

JACKSON: I know her real good. That was Cousin Viola and Cousin Bert. They were all half-sisters.

BALDWIN: Yeah, half-sisters, (inaudible) and John, all of them, mm-hmm.

JACKSON: Now, did your mother raise Cousin Viola with you all when you was coming up?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: So, she came up in the house with you?

BALDWIN: Yeah, come -- she lived in the house with me, sure did.

JACKSON: I didn't know that was Cousin Charity Lee's daughter.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh, right.

JACKSON: I mean, Aunt Charity. What am I talking about? Cousin -- Aunt Charity.

BALDWIN: Yeah, yeah, yeah, that's right.

JACKSON: OK, so, she -- Cousin Viola was the oldest.

BALDWIN: Yeah, she was the oldest.

JACKSON: Now, you don't know what year she was born, do you?

BALDWIN: No, I sure don't.

JACKSON: How much older was she than you? Do you know?

BALDWIN: No, I don't -- I don't know how much older she was than I.

JACKSON: You don't know how many grades she was ahead of you, or anything like that?

BALDWIN: Huh?

JACKSON: How many grades in school was she ahead of you?

BALDWIN: I don't know.

JACKSON: You don't remember? OK.

BALDWIN: I sure don't.

JACKSON: She was the oldest.

BALDWIN: Yeah, she was the oldest.

JACKSON: And then, who was next?

BALDWIN: Then I.

JACKSON: Then, you were the next one.

BALDWIN: And then I had a sister named Essie Mae, and Ethel Lee. Well, you ought to know Ethel Lee and Essie Mae. (overlapping dialogue; inaudible).

JACKSON: OK, now Cousin Essie Mae, who did she marry?

BALDWIN: Who, Ethel Lee?

JACKSON: Essie Mae -- who did she marry?

BALDWIN: Well, she married Yves Thomas -- her first husband was Yves Thomas. And they separated.

JACKSON: Did they have any children?

BALDWIN: No, Essie Mae didn't have no children by either one of her husbands. Then she married again -- I forget -- so, what was this young man's name? She married him -- stayed with him about two years. And then they separated.

JACKSON: Now, the first man she married was a Thomas?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh. Yves Thomas.

JACKSON: Yves Thomas. Where was he from? Bulloch County?

BALDWIN: Yeah, he was from Bulloch County -- grew up there around Screven County, over in there.

JACKSON: OK.

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: Now, she didn't stay with him very long?

BALDWIN: Well, she stayed with him -- I reckon she stayed with him -- yeah, she stayed with him a good while. She stayed with him around about seven or eight years.

JACKSON: OK, and then, after that, she separated.

BALDWIN: They separated, uh-huh.

JACKSON: And then, how long was she single before she married again?

BALDWIN: She was single about three or four years, because my sister Viola was living in Savannah, so she went on down there and live with her. And she met a man down there and married him.

JACKSON: And you don't remember what his name was?

BALDWIN: Let's see, what was his name? I forget what his name was.

JACKSON: OK. Now, so, you was the oldest. Then who was next?

BALDWIN: Who was next to me?

JACKSON: Yes.

BALDWIN: Essie Mae.

JACKSON: She was the one next to you?

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: And then, who was next to her?

BALDWIN: Ethel Lee.

JACKSON: Ethel Lee?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: Now, was she older than Steve -- Ethel Lee?

BALDWIN: Yeah, Steve was the baby, because -- now, let me tell you about... I was 12 years old when Mama died. And Steve was five months old -- five months old, when my mama died. And when he got a year old, Grandma put him back in the house. I had to take care of him. She put him back in the house. And I had to take care of him.

JACKSON: Mm-hmm. Now, who are you calling "Grandma"?

BALDWIN: Grandma -- [00:10:00] on Papa's -- (inaudible).

JACKSON: Charlotte?

BALDWIN: Now, she was named Hurley.

JANNIE EMORY: Hurley.

JACKSON: Hurley Mc--

BALDWIN: No, (inaudible).

JACKSON: Hurley Parrish, because she married (inaudible) Parrish, didn't she?

BALDWIN: Yes, yeah.

JACKSON: And the first time, she was a Kirkland maybe, or a McCray. Hurley McCray -- Hurley Kirkland married a McCray.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: And then -- so she raised him for a while.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: I see.

BALDWIN: Yeah, she raised him -- he got a year old, she put him back in our house.

JACKSON: And then you actually raised him?

BALDWIN: Yeah, yeah, I had to raise him. Cause when Mama died, I had to stop school then, and raise my (inaudible).

JACKSON: OK, now, so you said Cousin Ethel Lee came after Cousin Essie. She was the next one?

BALDWIN: Yeah, she was the next one.

JACKSON: Now, who did she marry?

BALDWIN: She married a man by the name of Jared Littles. Everybody called him Leg Littles.

JACKSON: OK, Littles?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: OK, so, she was the next one. Now, you don't know what years she was born, do you?

BALDWIN: No, I sure don't.

JACKSON: Now, so, how many times did she marry?

BALDWIN: She only married that one time.

JACKSON: OK. Did she have any children?

BALDWIN: Oh yeah, uh-huh, she had -- (inaudible) had, like, three girls, and she got something like three boys, uh-huh.

JACKSON: Now, are her children all living?

BALDWIN: No. Every one of her children lived -- I mean, there's one girl and --

JACKSON: Where does she live?

BALDWIN: She's -- she lives out here on --

JACKSON: She lives in Washington?

BALDWIN: No, she lives in Statesboro -- out in Statesboro.

JACKSON: OK, out in the country.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh. She moved off to (inaudible)'s place there on (inaudible) -- a man that's got some trailer out there. And she moved out there.

JACKSON: And so, Miss Ethel Lee is already gone, too?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: When did she die? I didn't -- somehow I missed all of that.

BALDWIN: I've got a program.

JACKSON: You all have funeral programs here?

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: Well, I'll get a chance to look at some of those in minute then.

BALDWIN: Yeah, uh-huh.

JACKSON: OK. Now, who came after Cousin Ethel, then? Who was the next one?

BALDWIN: My brother, S.J.  
 JACKSON: S.J.?  
 BALDWIN: Uh-huh.  
 JACKSON: Now, what was S.J. standing for? What was his real name?  
 BALDWIN: Stonewall Jackson.  
 JACKSON: Stonewall Jackson McCray.  
 BALDWIN: Uh-huh. Mm-hmm, mm-hmm.  
 JACKSON: OK. And now, you don't know what year he was born, though, do you?  
 BALDWIN: No, I sure don't.  
 JACKSON: OK, who did he marry?  
 BALDWIN: Well, he married twice. And he left -- he left here, and he went to Florida. And he married a woman down there -- her name was Thelma, I can't think of what she was before she married S.J. But he married her, and he had one child by her.  
 JACKSON: What was that child's name?  
 BALDWIN: Her name is Edna. She's named after me.  
 JACKSON: Oh, Edna -- Edna McCray.  
 BALDWIN: Uh-huh, uh-huh. Yeah.  
 JACKSON: Now where -- is she still living?  
 BALDWIN: Yeah, she's in Miami.  
 JACKSON: Miami, Florida?  
 BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.  
 JACKSON: I see.  
 BALDWIN: Yes, sir.  
 JACKSON: Did she get married?  
 BALDWIN: No.  
 JACKSON: She's never been married?  
 BALDWIN: She ain't got -- uh-huh, she ain't got married.  
 JACKSON: No children or anything?  
 BALDWIN: No children either, uh-huh.  
 JACKSON: I see. All right, now, how many other children did S.J. have?  
 BALDWIN: He's had only one girl -- just the one.  
 JACKSON: And he never had any more children?  
 BALDWIN: Uh-uh, never had any more children.  
 JACKSON: OK, now, who was his second wife? You said he married twice -- S.J.  
 BALDWIN: His second wife, her name was Anne -- Anne somebody. Her name was Anne, but I can't think of what she was before she married S.J.  
 JACKSON: Now, where was she from?  
 BALDWIN: I think she was from Jersey. She lived up in Jersey. Mm-hmm.  
 JACKSON: OK. And then, so, after S.J., then it was Steve?  
 BALDWIN: Uh-huh.  
 JACKSON: And he -- so, your mama had five children?  
 BALDWIN: Yeah.  
 JACKSON: And then, one child -- so there was a total of six of you --  
 BALDWIN: Yeah, uh-huh.  
 JACKSON: -- with Cousin Viola.  
 BALDWIN: Yeah.



JACKSON: And then, Steve McCray -- who did he marry?

BALDWIN: He married a girl by the name -- Eddie White's daughter. (inaudible) Whites, (inaudible) stayed down there around Rehovah.

JACKSON: Eddie White?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh, Eddie White's daughter, Bonnie.

JACKSON: Bonnie White.

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: Her name was Bonnie White?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: OK. Is that his only wife?

BALDWIN: Yeah, that's his only wife.

JACKSON: Did he have any children by her?

BALDWIN: Yeah, yeah, he had two boys and one girl. He had three children.

JACKSON: You don't remember their names, do you?

BALDWIN: Yeah, the girl was named Willa Bea.

JACKSON: Willa Bea McCray.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh, McCray.

JACKSON: And then...?

BALDWIN: The oldest boy -- he be named after his granddad. He was named Steve McCray.

JACKSON: Steve McCray was the oldest.

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm. Uh-huh.

JACKSON: And then, who...?

BALDWIN: And then, the baby boy -- his name was (inaudible).

CHARLES EMORY: They called him some--

BALDWIN: Lawrence. What's that you all said, Charles?

CHARLES EMORY: The oldest boy -- are you talking about Willa Bea's brother?

BALDWIN: Yeah, Willa Bea's brother.

CHARLES EMORY: He's Lawrence -- they called him Sonny though.

BALDWIN: [00:15:00] Yeah, Lawrence is his name -- was his name, ain't it?

CHARLES EMORY: Lawrence is one of them.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

CHARLES EMORY: And then, Sonny's the other one, I think.

BALDWIN: Say what?

CHARLES EMORY: And the other one is Sonny.

JACKSON: One named Sonny and one named Lawrence, (inaudible).

BALDWIN: They called him Sonny, but his name is Steve. They called him Sonny, though.

JACKSON: OK, so, the one -- Sonny and Steve is the same one.

BALDWIN: Yeah, uh-huh.

JACKSON: And then, you think one's name was Lawrence?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh. The baby was the one named Lawrence, mm-hmm.

JACKSON: OK.

BALDWIN: Yeah, uh-huh.

JACKSON: And then, the girl came in between those two?

BALDWIN: No, she's the oldest one.

JACKSON: Oh, the girl was the oldest.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: Then, a Sonny.  
BALDWIN: Yeah, and Lawrence.  
JACKSON: I see.  
BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.  
JACKSON: OK, good.  
BALDWIN: Uh-huh.  
JACKSON: And so -- so those are the only children --  
BALDWIN: That Steve had.  
JACKSON: OK.  
BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.  
JACKSON: Now, your daddy, Steve McCray, married a second time, didn't he?  
BALDWIN: Yeah.  
JACKSON: Now, who was his second wife -- named?  
BALDWIN: Her name was Bessie Johnson, before she married my daddy.  
JACKSON: OK, now, had she been married before?  
BALDWIN: No, she'd never been married before.  
JACKSON: Did they have any children?  
BALDWIN: Yeah, they had three -- let me see. They have two girls and one boy.  
JACKSON: Now, are they still living?  
BALDWIN: Yeah, not -- where -- yeah. Let's see. Almeza is the girl. Now, Lillie is dead.  
One of them is dead. Lillie is dead, but the boy is living. Almeza, she lives in  
Philadelphia.  
JACKSON: OK, now, so that would be Almeza McCray?  
BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.  
JACKSON: And then, who did -- did she get married?  
BALDWIN: I don't think -- Almeza's never married. I don't -- I don't think she did.  
JACKSON: OK, she was Almeza McCray. And then, there was a boy -- there was a boy.  
What was his name?  
BALDWIN: His name is Harvey. I have Harvey's number, and I talk to him. He lives in  
Statesboro.  
JACKSON: Harvey McCray?  
BALDWIN: Uh-huh.  
JACKSON: And he lives in Statesboro?  
BALDWIN: Uh-huh, lives in Statesboro.  
JACKSON: Oh, really? I've never heard of him.  
BALDWIN: Uh-huh.  
JACKSON: Now, who did Harvey McCray marry?  
BALDWIN: I don't know who Harvey married. I sure don't.  
JACKSON: OK, so --  
BALDWIN: But he is married, and still I don't know. I believe it's the Billy Smith's place  
where he stayed down in Georgia -- Billy Smith.  
JACKSON: OK.  
BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.  
JACKSON: And now, who was the other one? So, there's Harvey, Almeza, and who was the  
other one?  
BALDWIN: Harvey and Almeza, and Lillie. Now, she's dead.

JACKSON: OK, now, Lillie McCray -- who did she marry?

BALDWIN: I don't know -- I don't know whether she ever married or no. Lillie left here and went to New York, and that's where she stayed until she died. I remember when she died, but I didn't go to her funeral.

JACKSON: OK.

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: So, Harvey is the only one of them living?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: And then --

BALDWIN: And Almeza -- Almeza's living.

JACKSON: OK. But Harvey knows where everybody is?

BALDWIN: Yeah, and Almeza did too. I have Almeza's number.

JACKSON: OK, then, before we leave, I'll try to get some of them numbers --

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: -- so I can contact them, because I want to try to get some information from them.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh, right.

JACKSON: OK, now, so, that's the only two times your dad married?

BALDWIN: Yeah.

JACKSON: OK. Now, your dad -- do you know what year he died?

BALDWIN: No, I sure don't.

JACKSON: What did he die from?

BALDWIN: I don't know -- I don't know what he had. I sure don't.

JACKSON: Were you in Georgia when he died?

BALDWIN: No, I was here, let me see. Where was I? I was --

JACKSON: In Statesboro?

BALDWIN: No, I was -- I was out here -- where Aunt Roz and them was -- I think it was in the country, because we left -- we left our daddy and come to stay with my aunt -- my Aunt Roxie. And we stayed with her.

JACKSON: OK, now, you -- when you left your daddy, about how old were you? How old were you when you went to stay with Aunt Roxie?

BALDWIN: Oh, I was about 19.

JACKSON: When you went to stay with Aunt Roxie?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh. And I married in her house.

JACKSON: You married in Aunt Roxie's house?

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: Now, so, every one of you all went to stay with Aunt Roxie?

BALDWIN: Yeah.

JACKSON: Why did you all leave your daddy?

BALDWIN: Huh?

JACKSON: Why did you all leave your daddy?

BALDWIN: Well, one Sunday, him and his five -- they went down to (inaudible) Mr. (inaudible) lives. And a friend (inaudible) Donaldson -- she come to see us. And we didn't have no meat, so we killed a chicken. And she come back that night, and she told my dad that we killed one of her chickens. And I told her no, it was one of ours. And we both had chickens. And so, then my daddy told me -- told us that night. She said, "Well, in the morning, you and Essie Mae get everything y'all got and get out." And I didn't

want to leave all my sisters and brothers. [00:20:00] So -- and we had chopped cotton, I know we had pulled cotton for a white man. And he hadn't paid us, so he -- she was named Bessie -- Miss Bessie. And she said, "Well, you all are leaving." She said, I'll go down here to this white man's (inaudible) and get your all money before you leave." So, she went on and got -- went on to get the money. So, we got through packing up. I said, there were three of my, there was S.J., and Steve, and Ethel Lee. I slipped them through Uncle Harley's field and told them to go on up to the mailbox, right up on the road, not far from Enfield's. And stay at the mailbox until we come along. And I couldn't (inaudible). And then, they had a white (inaudible). Me and Essie Mae, we packed them sacks full of clothes -- our clothes and theirs, (inaudible). And we walked it from there to Portal, Georgia, about two miles on the other side of Portal. I had an uncle staying over there. Curley Donaldson. You all know him?

JACKSON: Mm-hmm, I've heard of him.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh. Curley Donaldson -- he had married my daddy's sister, Aunt Bea. So, I know if I can make it there, I'd get Uncle Curley to let his oldest son -- we called him Buddy take me to Aunt Roxie's, because she always did want us to anyhow after Mama died. And so, we were me and Essie Mae and carried them children toted them clothes. And we got there about 11:30, I reckon. And he said, well, Steve (inaudible). So he said, yes, (inaudible). I let Fred take you all out there. And he did. He -- so, we had (inaudible) the field that afternoon, and we chopped. And then, hoed the cotton all the next day (inaudible). So then, the next morning, he let Fred bring us out to Aunt Roxie, and she was so glad that we come. So, she said, "Well, I want to keep some of y'all," and they -- her other brothers, Uncle Bub and Uncle Dollie. And Uncle Son said, "No, I'm going to keep them all together." He said, "I'm going to keep them all here." He said, because when his daddy died -- he said his brothers -- the baby boy -- wasn't but about two years old, and (inaudible) his aunt or someone raised him. And so, he never would sing like this brothers. They'd be in church, and he would come and sit all to himself, and (inaudible). And he did. He kept us all right there.

JACKSON: No, you're talking about Aunt Roxie's husband, Uncle Hatrich?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh, Uncle Hatrich?

JACKSON: Now, what did you call him? Son?

BALDWIN: Yeah, we called him Uncle Son. But his name is Hatrich.

JACKSON: Hatrich?

BALDWIN: Hatrich Hall. You know, him and Mann Hall, and Cleve Hall -- it's all brothers.

JACKSON: Yes, yeah, yes.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: And then, they had -- I bet you the one -- because I've been doing some research, that one was named Ravenel.

BALDWIN: Yeah, sure was.

JACKSON: That was raised by the Brennans.

BALDWIN: Yeah, he was the one -- uh-huh.

JACKSON: All right, see, now you're making all these connections (overlapping dialogue; inaudible).

BALDWIN: Uh-huh, that's right. Sure, uh-huh.

JACKSON: Wonderful, wonderful.

BALDWIN: Yes, yes, so...

JACKSON: All right. So, then you went to Aunt Roxie's. Do you know what time of the year that was, when you all walked over to -- you said you was picking -- chopping cotton. So, it must have been around cotton-chopping time, or something.

BALDWIN: Yeah, yeah, it was around cotton-chopping time. But I just remember --

JACKSON: It must have been about March, April -- somewhere in there.

BALDWIN: Yeah, I think it was somewhere along about April or May -- somewhere along in there.

JACKSON: Now, were you all in school at the time?

BALDWIN: Yeah, yeah, yeah. Essie Mae and Ethel Lee was old enough to go to school. But S.J. -- you see, when my mama died, he wasn't old enough to go to school, and he (inaudible). Because Papa's mama kept Steve, and he (inaudible). And then, she put him back in there (inaudible), uh-huh.

JACKSON: Now, what school did you go to, when you was a little girl?

BALDWIN: When I was a little girl?

JACKSON: Mm-hmm.

BALDWIN: Polk's Academy.

JACKSON: You went to Polk's Academy?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: OK, now, that was over -- now, what school did you go to when your mama -- what school did your Cousin Ethel Lee and them go to? They went to Polk's Academy, too?

BALDWIN: Yeah, they were at Polk's Academy.

JACKSON: So, that was the school that they were all going to?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh, uh-huh.

JACKSON: I see. All right, now, when your -- you said your mama lived down by Fishtrap?

BALDWIN: Yeah, Fishtrap, uh-huh.

JACKSON: Now, but Polk's Academy is out where the Lees are.

BALDWIN: Huh?

JACKSON: Isn't Polk's Academy -- is over there by where all them Lees were?

BALDWIN: Yeah, Polk's Academy -- we had to go across the bridge and go to those -- I think it was over there in Kennedy.

JACKSON: You must have been going to Fishtrap School.

BALDWIN: That's what it was -- Fishtrap. [00:25:00] Yeah, yeah. Yeah, yeah, no, I didn't go -- yeah, you're right. Polk's Academy is over there with the Lees, you're right. Yeah, it was Fishtrap School I was going, because we had to cross the bridge and go over there to Fishtrap, uh-huh.

JACKSON: So, you went to Fishtrap School?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: And then, your sisters went to -- was going to Fishtrap School when your mama died?

BALDWIN: Yeah, yeah. Yeah, we all -- we all was going there when Mama died.

JACKSON: OK. Now, who was the teacher at Fishtrap School when you went there? Do you remember who it was?

BALDWIN: One of them, she was a real bright skinned lady. Her name was Miss Gussie -- Gussie something or other.

JACKSON: Miss Gussie?

BALDWIN: And the principal of that school -- it seems like he was a Young.

JACKSON: Young -- Professor Young?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh, Professor Young.

JACKSON: OK.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: And then, your teacher -- Miss Gussie -- that was her first name or was that her last name?

BALDWIN: I think that was her first name. She was one of my teachers.

JACKSON: You don't -- you don't remember her last name?

BALDWIN: No, I sure don't. I don't know her last name.

JACKSON: Do you remember any other teachers up at Fishtrap School, that your sister went to, or either you went to you?

BALDWIN: I don't believe I do. I don't believe I do.

JACKSON: Now, how big was that school -- Fishtrap School -- when you went there? Was it an old board school?

BALDWIN: Yeah, it was an old board school.

JACKSON: Was it painted?

BALDWIN: No, it wasn't painted. Old board school -- it wasn't painted.

JACKSON: How many rooms?

BALDWIN: It had that one room in it -- just one big room, uh-huh.

JACKSON: And all of the classes in that one room?

BALDWIN: Yeah, all the classes were in that room.

JACKSON: How far was the Fishtrap School from Fishtrap Church -- how far down the road?

BALDWIN: Well, Fishtrap Church is like here, and you go along across the bridge.

JACKSON: Across the bridge.

BALDWIN: Right there is Fishtrap. But we had to cross that bridge, and I reckon going on up there about a half a mile.

JACKSON: About a half a mile. Was it on the left-hand side or the right-hand side?

BALDWIN: It's on the -- it was on the right-hand side going.

JACKSON: OK, so, when you leave Fishtrap Church, you cross the bridge --

BALDWIN: Yeah.

JACKSON: -- you keep going.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: It would be on the right-hand or on the left-hand side?

BALDWIN: It's be on the left -- on the right, on the right.

JACKSON: On the right-hand side?

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: Now, were there any houses around that school?

BALDWIN: Yeah.

JACKSON: Did anyone live near the school, or was it all by itself?

BALDWIN: Yeah, I tell you, Uncle John had a son, lived in -- almost right there at the school. His name was Ed -- Ed Taylor. He lived right there at the school.

JACKSON: Now, Uncle who?

BALDWIN: Uncle John -- Uncle John. Now, that was Papa's -- he married Papa's sister, Aunt Olmey.

JACKSON: OK, so, Uncle John...?

BALDWIN: Uh-uh -- Joyner.  
 JANNIE EMORY: Joyner, I think she's saying.  
 BALDWIN: No.  
 JACKSON: Uncle who?  
 JANNIE EMORY: Joyner.  
 JACKSON: Joyner?  
 JANNIE EMORY: Uh-huh.  
 BALDWIN: Uh-huh.  
 JANNIE EMORY: J-O-Y-N-E-R, I think.  
 JACKSON: Joyner. And his last name was...?  
 BALDWIN: Taylor.  
 JACKSON: Taylor.  
 BALDWIN: Uh-huh.  
 JACKSON: And he married Olna McCray?  
 BALDWIN: Yeah, he married one --  
 JACKSON: Steve?  
 BALDWIN: -- of Papa's sisters -- Aunt Olmey.  
 JACKSON: Olmey?  
 BALDWIN: Olmey Lee. Olmey (inaudible) McCray.  
 JACKSON: All right, and she lived near the school?  
 BALDWIN: Yeah, their son did. They lived at (inaudible) location over there in Screven --  
 they called it (inaudible) Screven, where they lived at.  
 JACKSON: OK, I've got you.  
 BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.  
 JACKSON: So then, you all were going to Fishtrap School.  
 BALDWIN: Yeah.  
 JACKSON: So that, when you went over to Uncle Hatrich and Aunt Roxie's, then they had to  
 go to a different school?  
 BALDWIN: Yeah.  
 JACKSON: And that's probably when they went to Polk's Academy.  
 BALDWIN: Yeah, that's when they were at Polk's Academy. I didn't go, but they went.  
 JACKSON: I see. You didn't go, but they went to Polk's Academy.  
 BALDWIN: Uh-huh, they -- mm-hmm.  
 JACKSON: Now, how far did Aunt Roxie live from Polk's Academy? Do you remember  
 that?  
 JANNIE EMORY: I would say it was approximately about 10 miles, if I can.  
 JACKSON: You know Aunt Roxie?  
 JANNIE EMORY: Huh?  
 JACKSON: You didn't know Aunt Roxie, did you?  
 JANNIE EMORY: Yeah, I knew Roxie. I was about -- I guess I was about 14 or 15 or close.  
 Maybe I was about 12 years old -- 12 or 14.  
 JACKSON: You remember Uncle Hatrich and Aunt Roxie?  
 JANNIE EMORY: Uh-huh.  
 BALDWIN: Mm-hmm, yeah.  
 JACKSON: Wow, I didn't know you...

BALDWIN: Of course, I married at Aunt Roxie's house, and we all stayed right there on the same place. And my children was born there, and everything.

JACKSON: OK.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: Now, Aunt Roxie and Uncle Hatrich -- did they have their own place, or did they live on somebody's place?

BALDWIN: They lived on somebody's place. They lived on Webb Akin's place.

JACKSON: OK, they were on Webb Akin's place?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: And that's where you married?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: And then, after you married, you stayed in the house for a while?

BALDWIN: Yeah, stayed in Webb Akin's house. He had -- we stayed -- we stayed there on the farm. And the farm -- (overlapping dialogue; inaudible) big farm.

JACKSON: I got you, (overlapping dialogue; inaudible) saying. OK.

BALDWIN: My children was born there and everything.

JACKSON: I get you.

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: Oh, I didn't realize that.

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: OK, now, I heard -- somebody told me that Aunt Roxie's house burned down.

BALDWIN: Yeah.

JACKSON: Do you remember that?

BALDWIN: Yeah.

JACKSON: You don't know what year it was, do you?

BALDWIN: No, I forgot what year.

JACKSON: About how old were you when it burned down?

BALDWIN: How old I was?

JACKSON: When it burned down. Were you married or were you single when it burned down?

BALDWIN: Let me see. I think I was married.

JACKSON: When it burned down?

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: What year did you [00:30:00] get married?

BALDWIN: I forget what year I got married.

JACKSON: Do you know what year your mother got married?

JANNIE EMORY: I think (inaudible) five.

JACKSON: OK.

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: OK. And then, that's when you married Cousin Ken?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh -- McKinley Baldwin.

JACKSON: McKinley?

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: OK, we called him Cousin Ken.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.



JACKSON: McKinley -- I remember him real good.

BALDWIN: You do? (laughs)

JACKSON: I remember Cousin Ken. I remember you, when you used to live right -- too far from -- let me see. Did you live in Statesboro one time?

BALDWIN: Yeah.

JACKSON: I -- maybe you lived not too far from Payton Mortuary, or something.

BALDWIN: That's right, sure did.

JACKSON: I remember -- I remember you and Ken...

BALDWIN: (overlapping dialogue; inaudible) was our house, and Payton Mortuary was right down the street.

JACKSON: That's where I remember you and Cousin Ken --

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: -- from way back then. (laughs)

BALDWIN: Yeah, yeah. I've still got my home down there.

JACKSON: Oh, you've still got that home?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: Wonderful, wonderful.

BALDWIN: Yeah, so...

JACKSON: That is -- there's no place like home, and it's always nice to hold onto home.

BALDWIN: Yeah, that's right, that's right. (laughs)

JACKSON: OK, so then, you went to stay with Aunt Roxie, and then you married out of the house?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: And then, you stayed on Webb Akin's place?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: And how long after you got married did Aunt Roxie die? Do you remember what year she died? Who died first --

BALDWIN: No.

JACKSON: -- she or Uncle Hatrich?

BALDWIN: Uncle Hatrich. He died first. And she ended up -- too long behind Uncle Hatrich. Seems like she ended up about three or four weeks.

JACKSON: Oh, did -- the same year?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh. The same year that Uncle Hatrich died. Sure, that's right.

JACKSON: Now, but you was already married when she...?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh, yeah, I was already -- yeah, we all -- they was living in Statesboro, too, after I moved to Statesboro. And they (overlapping dialogue; inaudible) --

JACKSON: Oh, you moved to Statesboro when they died?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh. And they was, too. They lived in Statesboro. We done left the farm then, staying in Statesboro.

JACKSON: Now, what street were they living on? Do you remember?

BALDWIN: I was living on Church Street, and they was on -- I believe Leech -- Leech Street, I believe.

JACKSON: Leech Street?

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: Now, who had they body when they died? Do you know who?

BALDWIN: Mr. Groves.

JACKSON: Mr. Groves had both of them?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: Now, did -- were they having funeral programs way back then, when they died?  
Did you have a funeral program about Roxie?

BALDWIN: No, I sure don't.

JACKSON: And Uncle Hatrich -- you don't have any of them?

BALDWIN: Uh-uh, I sure don't.

JACKSON: Now, what -- I'm curious --

JANNIE EMORY: (inaudible).

JACKSON: OK, yeah.

JANNIE EMORY: J-O-N-A-S, it must have been.

JACKSON: Yeah. Now, I'm curious -- and I've heard this story, and I know you -- sometime -- this may be a little sensitive, but I'm trying to figure out, your mama died.

BALDWIN: Huh?

JACKSON: I'm -- your mother died. I'm trying to figure out how she died, and all -- your mother.

BALDWIN: Oh --

JACKSON: Aunt Charity.

BALDWIN: Oh, my mother?

JACKSON: Yes.

JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.

BALDWIN: Yeah, well, I tell you that her and my daddy got in a fight. They say he hit her and broke her neck. That's what they said.

JACKSON: Mm-hmm.

JANNIE EMORY: It was her collarbone.

JACKSON: He did that?

JANNIE EMORY: That's what she said, (overlapping dialogue; inaudible).

JACKSON: OK, now, how did he do that? Did he -- were you at the house when it happened?

BALDWIN: Yeah. I was -- I just know that they was in the room there arguing and fussing and... He had knocked her down, and so, went in there, and she was dead.

JACKSON: When you all went in the room, she was already dead?

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: What did he do? Did he leave, or what?

BALDWIN: No, he didn't leave. He stayed on there, and we called her sister, and her brothers come out. They -- I -- they called out the (inaudible). Aunt Roxie and them was (inaudible) out on the river -- the riverside. So, they come in. They brought the body here up to the Lee's Cemetery and buried her, mm-hmm. They took the body from him, and --

JACKSON: Do you remember the funeral?

BALDWIN: Huh?

JACKSON: Do you have a memory of the funeral? You were 12 years old.

BALDWIN: Yeah, no, I don't -- I didn't have no memory of the funeral.

JANNIE EMORY: You don't remember the funeral, Mama? What he's saying? The funeral -- the day of her funeral, don't you remember?

BALDWIN: Yeah, I remember that.

JANNIE EMORY: That's what he's asking you.

BALDWIN: But, (inaudible) I don't know who had it, because they brought her from Statesboro. She was living out there in Statesboro. They brought her from -- I mean, out there in Georgia and everything, to Fishtrap, where we were living at. And they carried her -- they -- out yonder where Aunt Roxie lived, and they buried her, you see.

JACKSON: Did they take her to the funeral home, or they just took and buried her the next day? Did they --

BALDWIN: I reckon they must have carried her to a funeral home out on the river -- (inaudible) funeral home. They -- I mean, up here when Aunt Roxie and them was. But I don't know what funeral home it was.

JACKSON: Did she have a funeral in a church, or did they just do it around the cemetery? Do you remember that?

JANNIE EMORY: It was at a church, because -- from what I can remember, uh-huh.

BALDWIN: Yeah, uh-huh.

JANNIE EMORY: It was at a church.

BALDWIN: At Brown's Chapel church -- Brown Chapel.

JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: Oh, Brown Chapel was the church they had the funeral at?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh, uh-huh.

JACKSON: OK.

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: Now, your mama was a member at Brown Chapel? Must have been, if they had the...

BALDWIN: No, no. [00:35:00] Aunt Roxie and them was. See, my mama lived in Georgia. She was from, remember now, Mt. Zion, down there in Pulaski, Georgia.

JACKSON: I see.

BALDWIN: Have you ever been to Mount Zion?

JACKSON: I've heard of Mount Zion.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: So, she was a member there?

BALDWIN: There was -- she was a member there, uh-huh.

JACKSON: I see. And because the Lees took her over, down by the river --

BALDWIN: Yeah.

JACKSON: -- then some of the Lees were members at Brown Chapel -- that's where they had the funeral.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh, yeah.

JACKSON: And then they buried at Lee's Cemetery?

BALDWIN: Yeah, uh-huh.

JACKSON: Did your dad come to the funeral?

BALDWIN: No, I don't think he did. I don't think he did. I don't think he did.

JACKSON: Did he ever talk about that with you all -- your dad?

BALDWIN: No, no, no.

JACKSON: He never has discussed it?

BALDWIN: Huh?

JACKSON: Did they ever have a trial or anything?

BALDWIN: Yeah, yeah. They had a trial and they put me on the stand. And he had told -- he had told on another -- (inaudible) Parrish's mother. She says, "You better not tell them

that your daddy hit your mama. Because if you do, he'll whip you and he'll kill you. Better not tell them." And so, I done what she said. I told them no.

JACKSON: Mm-hmm.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: But, so, they -- when they -- when they had a trial, they had you to...?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh. On the stand. So...

JACKSON: And your dad told you not to say anything?

BALDWIN: Yeah, my daddy, and then another old lady who was close to them. Her name was Mary Parrish -- Lem. You ever hear tell of Lem Parrish? It was his mother.

JACKSON: Lem Parrish's mother?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh. Lem Parrish's mother.

JACKSON: Named Mary --

BALDWIN: Uh-huh. She married (overlapping dialogue; inaudible).

JACKSON: -- Parrish.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: She had married Sam Parrish?

BALDWIN: I don't --

JACKSON: And that was Lem Parrish's mother?

BALDWIN: Yeah, but --

JACKSON: Now, how did she -- now, how did she get involved in this? Was she related to your husband?

BALDWIN: No, that -- I don't think. She might have been, but I don't think... They all was just down there, and they was close friends and everything, uh-huh.

JACKSON: But she actually told you not to...?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh, mm-hmm.

JACKSON: And she lived near you?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh, yeah, they -- she lived near us, uh-huh.

JACKSON: Did anybody else tell you what to say, or not to say?

BALDWIN: I think some more of his -- some more on Papa's side told me.

JACKSON: Told you not -- what -- not to say anything?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh, that's right.

JACKSON: Mm-hmm.

BALDWIN: That's right.

JACKSON: But what you do remember -- you think your dad did kill your mama?

BALDWIN: Yeah, mm-hmm.

JACKSON: You think he did it?

BALDWIN: Yeah, I sure will.

JACKSON: OK. Now, was the trial in Statesboro?

BALDWIN: Yeah.

JACKSON: It was at the Bulloch County Courthouse?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: I bet you there are records on that -- official records.

BALDWIN: Yeah, I bet they do, too.

JACKSON: I bet if we went back and searched the records, we might be able to find something.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh, I bet so.

JACKSON: Now, you don't -- OK, now, so, that would have been about nine-- you were 12 years old?

BALDWIN: Yeah, I was --

JACKSON: That would have been about 1919 or 1920.

BALDWIN: Yeah, uh-huh.

JACKSON: I think I'm going to look that up, see if I can find it.

JANNIE EMORY: (overlapping dialogue; inaudible).

BALDWIN: Uh-huh, yes, sir.

JACKSON: And so, after the trial was over, your dad never talked much more about that or anything?

BALDWIN: No, no, sure didn't.

JACKSON: Mm-hmm. Because I know the Lees -- they always said that he did it.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JANNIE EMORY: Yeah.

JACKSON: The McCrays said he didn't do it.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: But the Lees said definitely.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JANNIE EMORY: Uh-huh, right.

JACKSON: That's what I heard them say.

BALDWIN: Right.

JACKSON: And they said something -- you said, about a collarbone? He broke her --

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JANNIE EMORY: That he broke her collarbone.

JACKSON: Did he have -- was it with a gun or something?

JANNIE EMORY: I don't know.

BALDWIN: (overlapping dialogue; inaudible), no.

JANNIE EMORY: The only thing I've ever heard, that he broke her collarbone. And that was up around her neck, so I guess it was...

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: And then he knocked her out. And when you -- when you went in the room, she was already laying on the floor?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh, yeah.

JACKSON: Did you do anything? Did you go near her, or what?

BALDWIN: I just -- I just remember, because she -- my oldest half-sister was there Viola, and she was grown. See, she was there, too.

JACKSON: Oh, she was there, too?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh, yeah. And so --

JACKSON: They didn't ask her to testify?

BALDWIN: No, I don't think they did. I don't think they asked Viola to testify. Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: Mm-hmm, OK.

JANNIE EMORY: Well, she's probably would have told it all.

JACKSON: You think Aunt Bea would have? (laughs)

JANNIE EMORY: Aunt Viola.

JACKSON: She would tell it like it was, huh?

JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm. (laughter)

JACKSON: She could walk so fast. Her legs were like that.

JANNIE EMORY: Yeah, uh-huh.

JACKSON: I remember her real good. We went down, and she'd be running. And her dress would be like... (laughter)

JANNIE EMORY: Yeah, yeah. (overlapping dialogue; inaudible)

JACKSON: I remember when she lived in Savannah, my Aunt Hazel stayed with her --

JANNIE EMORY: Yeah.

JACKSON: -- when she went to college.

JANNIE EMORY: Sure did.

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JANNIE EMORY: Sure did.

JACKSON: And so, my grandmother used to take us by Cousin Viola's house.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh, uh-huh.

JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: Now, they said your -- they said Cousin Viola was real stingy. That's what they said.

JANNIE EMORY: Uh-huh, uh-huh.

JACKSON: I don't know if that's true. (laughter) They say Cousin Viola was real stingy.

JANNIE EMORY: Uh-huh.

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm. Yes, sir.

JACKSON: Now, did Cousin Viola ever get married?

BALDWIN: [00:40:00] Mm-hmm, sure. Viola married twice.

JANNIE EMORY: Twice, mm-hmm.

BALDWIN: First, she married a Walker.

JACKSON: What was his first name?

BALDWIN: I can't -- I can't think of what his first name was.

JACKSON: Where was he from?

BALDWIN: I don't know. Of course, he was in Savannah, and she married him in Savannah. He might be from down in Savannah.

JACKSON: OK, so, he was a Walker.

JANNIE EMORY: I do have a program on her.

JACKSON: Could you find all of the funeral programs? Because I've got a camera. I can take pictures of them. Your mom says she has a stack of them -- her funeral programs.

JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: I just want to look at some of them --

JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: -- and read them. Maybe I can read them in there, if you know where any of them are.

JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm. What I'd say is, I'll see if I can find some.

JACKSON: OK.

JANNIE EMORY: Because I do know I have Uncle S.J.'s, and I have --

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: Yeah, I would love to see that.

JANNIE EMORY: -- that one, and I have -- and I'll see if I can find...

JACKSON: Yes, I would love to see anything you've got -- any kind of information.

JANNIE EMORY: Now, where you from? Where do you live now?

JACKSON: I live in Ohio now.

JANNIE EMORY: You live in Ohio now?

JACKSON: Yes, uh-huh.

JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: And, now --

JANNIE EMORY: So, I guess you know Ernest Eckter?

JACKSON: Yes, I know him.

JANNIE EMORY: Ernest. And --

JACKSON: Cousin Raymond, I know him.

JANNIE EMORY: Raymond and them.

JACKSON: Mm-hmm. And Cousin Geneva, and them.

JANNIE EMORY: Geneva and them. And also, Irene.

JACKSON: Irene and Amanda.

JANNIE EMORY: Yeah, and also Fisher Lee, and all of them?

JACKSON: Mm-hmm. Know them real good. (inaudible)

JANNIE EMORY: Yeah, because I always had planned to call Irene because, you know, she's going on a kidney machine.

BALDWIN: No, Irene is kind sick.

JACKSON: I didn't know she was going on a kidney machine.

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JANNIE EMORY: You didn't?

JACKSON: Uh-uh.

JANNIE EMORY: Well, she called us about three weeks ago -- I talked with her once since then -- and said that she was going on (inaudible).

BALDWIN: Can I get you something to drink or something?

JACKSON: Oh, no, I'm fine. No, don't worry.

JANNIE EMORY: (overlapping dialogue; inaudible).

BALDWIN: You sure? I thought (inaudible).

JACKSON: No, please, I -- I'm getting all the food and drink I need by getting this information. (laughs)

JANNIE EMORY: Let me see what I can find.

JACKSON: Yeah, I'd appreciate that. Now, of course, Cousin Irene is Aunt Martha's daughter?

JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: Yes.

BALDWIN: Yeah.

JANNIE EMORY: Yeah.

BALDWIN: That's right.

JACKSON: OK. Now, I want to get back to that in a minute. OK, so, you were raised by Aunt Roxie. We've got that.

BALDWIN: Yeah.

JACKSON: Now, how many of the children do you remember? And I'm going to go -- thank you for this.

JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: I'm going to go down this list. Do you remember -- so, you remember Aunt Roxie. Do you remember Uncle Barry?

BALDWIN: Yeah, uh-huh.

JACKSON: Who did Uncle Barry marry?

BALDWIN: He married Aunt Mud.

JACKSON: What was her real name?

BALDWIN: Her name was Mud. Mud Lee, I think. I think so --

JACKSON: Do you know what she was before she married him -- Aunt Mud? And did they have any children?

BALDWIN: Yeah, Uncle Barry and Aunt Mud had some children. They had --

JACKSON: Are they still living?

BALDWIN: No, they had two girls and a boy -- Bubba -- Bubba Lee, And, Bubba's dead. Ethel's dead -- a girl a named Ethel. And they had one named Thelma. Thelma was the oldest girl. And then, Ethel and Bubba.

JACKSON: And they -- all of them are gone?

BALDWIN: All -- they -- all of them is gone. But Ethel -- no, Thelma, she's got a son living -- where are they living? And he's a preacher that lives in Florida. I don't --

JACKSON: OK, now, let me just -- so, Uncle Barry married Aunt Mud?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: And they had a child named Thelma?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: One named Ethel?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: And then, who -- did they have one named Cora?

BALDWIN: Cora?

JACKSON: Yes. Did they have one named Cora, or you don't know for sure?

BALDWIN: No, I don't know her.

JACKSON: OK, did they -- how many children did you say they had?

BALDWIN: They had -- they had three. Now, Aunt Mud had another son -- seems like his name was Willie, but he wasn't Uncle Barry's. But his -- I think she had him before she married Uncle Barry. His name was Willie.

JACKSON: Now, who was his daddy?

BALDWIN: I don't know. I don't know who his daddy was.

JACKSON: OK.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: Now, so, what were three children's names? Was one --

BALDWIN: The three -- Aunt -- Uncle Barry and Aunt Mud's three children was named Thelma, Ethel, and Bubba.

JACKSON: And Bubba. What was Bubba's real name?

BALDWIN: Bubba is all I know. That might wasn't his real name, but Bubba is all I know.

JACKSON: Bubba?

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm. Bubba --

JACKSON: Now, was Bubba the baby?

BALDWIN: Yeah, he was the baby.

JACKSON: He was the baby?

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: OK. And then, they didn't have anyone after that? They didn't have any more children after that, as far as you know?



BALDWIN: No, no, they had -- uh-uh.  
JACKSON: OK.  
BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.  
JACKSON: Now -- and who, you said, has a child, living in Florida, that's a preacher?  
BALDWIN: Ethel.  
JACKSON: Thelma or -- Ethel or Thelma?  
BALDWIN: Thelma, Thelma.  
JACKSON: OK. And then, do you know what his name is?  
BALDWIN: I can go get the paper-- I'll go get the paper and show you his name and his address and everything.  
JACKSON: OK, I'd love to get that. Do you have a piece of paper that I can borrow and make some notes on? I thought I had something in --

(break in audio)

BALDWIN: -- Ruby.  
JACKSON: Oh, yeah, I remembered her. I talked to her last time I was here.  
BALDWIN: Yeah, that's just -- uh-huh, uh-huh.  
JACKSON: She was upstairs.  
BALDWIN: Uh-huh.  
JACKSON: And what happened? I didn't realize -- what happened? She just took sick?  
BALDWIN: Yeah, she taken sick and -- stayed sick for the longest. Let's see. I think I've got her program in --  
JACKSON: Yeah, so, I -- OK, so, Ruby Foster?  
BALDWIN: Uh-huh.  
JACKSON: [00:45:00] She was born December the 14<sup>th</sup>, 1930, died September the 10<sup>th</sup>, 2003. And so, she had -- she died in the hospital then, huh?  
BALDWIN: Mm-hmm. Sure did, honey. Yeah, she --  
JACKSON: My goodness alive. But she just suddenly, one day, took sick at home?  
BALDWIN: Yeah. I (inaudible). Let's see -- and my sister Ethel Lee.  
JACKSON: OK, now, let me see this. You've got more and more.  
JANNIE EMORY: Now, you can have -- you've got a little -- you can have that one.  
JACKSON: Good, yeah, you've got more than one. So, this is Ethel McCray Littles --  
BALDWIN: Uh-huh.  
JACKSON: -- who died Saturday, September the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2002. She was in Statesboro.  
BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.  
JACKSON: OK. OK, so, she was at Noah's Ark. Thank you, very much. I don't know her. This one I don't know.  
BALDWIN: Now, she was my baby sister.  
JACKSON: She's your baby sister?  
BALDWIN: Uh-huh.  
JACKSON: Now, I know the one that married -- one of them married Neg Littles. This isn't the one?  
BALDWIN: Yeah, she's the one, married Neg.  
JACKSON: Is this the one?  
BALDWIN: Uh-huh, Ethel Lee. She's the one.

JACKSON: Now, didn't -- one of the other ones married a Littles too? Didn't both of them marry Littles?

BALDWIN: No, no, Essie Mae didn't marry no Littles.

JACKSON: Oh, just -- OK.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: Now, which one of these lived out in the country, over by Uncle Duggie Lee?

BALDWIN: That was her.

JACKSON: Oh, I remember her.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh. That was her.

JACKSON: Lived not too far from Uncle Duggie.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: OK, well, good, I want a copy of that one, if you got an extra one.

BALDWIN: I have the -- yeah, you can have that -- I've got -- you can have that one, because I've got a (overlapping dialogue; inaudible).

JACKSON: Because you've got a bunch of them, (inaudible).

BALDWIN: Uh-huh. But I don't have any extras for Essie Mae. That's Essie Mae.

JACKSON: I won't take -- no. OK, no, that --

BALDWIN: That's my sister.

JACKSON: Yeah, Essie Mae Goodman.

BALDWIN: And this here is Ruby's program.

JACKSON: This is --

BALDWIN: If you want to be looking over here.

JACKSON: You don't have an extra one of this one?

BALDWIN: No, I don't have no extra one of either one of them -- that one, honey.

JACKSON: OK, all right. And so, you have Essie Mae Goodman. She was -- died October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2001, in Silver Spring, Maryland. And she was united in matrimony in '27, to the late Yves Thomas. In '54 she was united to Fred Goodman.

BALDWIN: Yeah, that's his name -- Fred Goodman.

JACKSON: Mm-hmm. And, OK, she had one daughter. Now, was Reverend Bettye Jean Watson -- was that her real daughter?

BALDWIN: No, her -- she -- (inaudible). You ever hear (inaudible) Mary Kelly?

JACKSON: No. Was that related to her, in any kind of way?

BALDWIN: Yeah, it was -- Essie Mae and Candy was her two first cou-- no, Essie was Candy's auntie. And that was Candy's grandchild. So, Essie Mae took her and raised her.

JACKSON: OK, now, who is Candy? Candy and --

BALDWIN: Candy was Viola's daughter.

JACKSON: Oh, Cousin Viola's daughter?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: And so, this is really -- Reverend Bettye J. Watson is Cousin Viola's granddaughter?

BALDWIN: Granddaughter, uh-huh.

JACKSON: Granddaughter?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh, she's a preacher now.

JACKSON: Oh, so, now how many -- so, all of these are Cousin Viola's real children. How many children did Cousin Viola have?

BALDWIN: No, she didn't -- Viola didn't have no children. But -- none but Candy.

JACKSON: Oh, so, Cousin Viola had one daughter?

BALDWIN: One daughter, Candy.

JACKSON: Was that her real daughter, or was it an adopted daughter?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh. No, Essie Mae adopted one of Candy's children.

JACKSON: Right, I got that. But what I was trying to fill out, was Candy Cousin Viola's actual daughter?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh, yeah.

JACKSON: She was birth daughter?

BALDWIN: Yeah, she was her birth daughter.

JACKSON: OK.

BALDWIN: Candy's dad was named Willie Holloway.

JACKSON: Willie Holloway?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: OK, so, Cousin Viola had a child by Willie Holloway?

BALDWIN: Holloway, uh-huh.

JACKSON: And her name was Candy?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: And then, what was Candy's real name?

BALDWIN: Picola.

JACKSON: Picola?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: Holloway?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: And she went under the name of Holloway?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: OK. And then, Picola Holloway -- this is her daughter, Reverend Bettye Jean Watson?

BALDWIN: Yeah, yeah.

JACKSON: That's Picola's daughter?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh. That's Picola's daughter.

JACKSON: Now, how many children did Picola have?

BALDWIN: I think Candy had -- one of her daughters died. She (inaudible) was buried last week. Seems like she had seven girls. She had no boys. Seven girls (inaudible) Betty, Diane, Millicent, Corley -- Corley is the one that died, buried the week before last -- Corley, and Lillie Mae -- Lillie Mae is not (inaudible) -- Lillie Mae Ratney, she lived in Cincinnati. Now, she had -- she first -- Candy's been married twice, because she first married a Ratney boy. They stayed out there near Rehovah.

JACKSON: OK.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh. They stayed -- and they was married in Rehovah.

JACKSON: Were they related to Clark Ratney?

BALDWIN: Yeah, yeah, that was Clark Ratney's son.

JACKSON: Was it John Ratney, or his brother? It was Clark Ratney's son, though?

BALDWIN: Yeah, he was -- his name (inaudible) had three children. Seems like he had two boys and one girl. I forget what the girl was named.

JACKSON: OK.

BALDWIN: And I forget how many children his brother had, but this -- I think Mr. Cart was his daddy, or the other Ratney one was his daddy.

JACKSON: OK.

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm. That's Candy's dad.

JACKSON: And so, Candy and --

BALDWIN: Married -- had one son by him.

JACKSON: OK.

BALDWIN: And then she married Kelly Glover, and she had these other children by Kelly Glover.

JACKSON: I see.

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: But your sister raised Bettye?

BALDWIN: Yeah, yeah.

JACKSON: How old was Bettye when she took her.

BALDWIN: I think something like -- OK, Candy and Kelly separated.

JACKSON: Mm-hmm.

BALDWIN: I think she was about nine years old.

JACKSON: Mm-hmm.

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm. I think she was about 9 or 10.

JACKSON: OK.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: And your sister was born on November the 26<sup>th</sup>, 1909.

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: Well, I declare. Well, that's nice. Then we'll give that one back to you.

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: Now, let me see. This is a home-going service for Ruby Foster --

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: -- December the 14<sup>th</sup>, 1930, September the 10<sup>th</sup>, 2003. Now, she was buried up here -- it was, "Departed this life at Holy Cross Hospital after a long illness. To Edna Baldwin and the late McKinley Baldwin, Statesboro, Georgia. In 1952, she was united in holy matrimony to the late Harry G. Foster. Six children were born. She first joined Brannen Chapel Methodist Church, Statesboro, in '49, and moved to Alexandria, Virginia. In '52, she joined Russell Temple CME. She completed her formal education in Statesboro, Georgia. She was a nurse and was employed at (inaudible) Nursing Home. She leaves her children (inaudible) four daughters: Joanne, O-Z-U-M-V-A, Lana, Maryland; Gloria Brown, Corvallis, Oregon; Lisa Foster, Silver Spring, Maryland; one stepdaughter, Evelyn Foster, Washington, DC; three sons: Michael Foster, Richmond, Virginia; Anthony Foster and Larry Foster, Silver Spring, Maryland; Mrs. Edna Baldwin, her loving mother, Washington, DC; four sisters: Lanelle Williams, Plainsfield, New Jersey; Naomi Brown, Newark, New Jersey; Lottie Parker and Jannie Emory, Washington, DC.; two brothers: James Baldwin, Silver Spring, Maryland; one adopted, Lavon Raymond, Newark, New Jersey; three sisters-in-law: Ethel Breeland, Myrla Baldwin, and Bernice Raymond; and one brother-in-law, Charles Emory; and one sister-in-law: Olivia Foster; nine grandchildren and a host of nieces and nephews." And this is the only one you got?

BALDWIN: It's the only one we got, honey.

JACKSON: OK, now, let me just take a picture of it, then.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: Your -- I'm going to see, when your comes in, if she might have one. I'll ask her.

BALDWIN: Yes, she may.

JACKSON: Mm-hmm. OK. Now, here we go. All right. Now, let me give you this. You don't have a copy of the -you're your sister's programs, do you?

JANNIE EMORY: Yeah, which one?

JACKSON: Do you have an extra copy?

JANNIE EMORY: Yeah, you can have it.

BALDWIN: Yeah, I have one here.

JACKSON: OK, good. I'm -- because I'm collecting -- anything you've got -- extras -- I want it. (laughter)

JANNIE EMORY: OK, you've got --

JACKSON: Yeah, she's got plenty of those, and she gave me one.

JANNIE EMORY: Oh, she did?

JACKSON: Mm-hmm.

JANNIE EMORY: Because I brought up one, too.

JACKSON: OK, she just gave me that.

JANNIE EMORY: OK. I only have one of this -- it's Aunt Ethel Lee.

JACKSON: OK, now, let's see this --

JANNIE EMORY: I mean, Aunt Viola.

JACKSON: Oh, my goodness gracious. That's -- oh, my lord of mercy.

JANNIE EMORY: And this is Uncle S.J.

JACKSON: OK, you have extra --

JANNIE EMORY: And this is Aunt Essie.

JACKSON: You have extras of these?

JANNIE EMORY: Yeah, you can have those.

JACKSON: OK, good. Now, let me take a picture of Cousin Viola.

JANNIE EMORY: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: I cannot believe, that looks just like her. (laughter)

JANNIE EMORY: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: Oh, I like -- I used to love watching Cousin Viola run. (laughter) Oh, she was something else.

BALDWIN: Lord, have mercy.

JANNIE EMORY: Yes, she was.

JACKSON: OK, now, let me see this. This is a funeral service for Miss Viola Brown, Monday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, '69.

BALDWIN: Now, since you say you can -- you've got a lot of them?

JANNIE EMORY: What? Aunt Viola?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JANNIE EMORY: No, that's the only I have.

JACKSON: No, this is the only one. That's why I'm reading it.

BALDWIN: Oh, uh-huh.

JACKSON: On -- "2:00 p.m., the First Mount Sinai Baptist Church, 1601 Burroughs Street, [Signa A. Jones?] in charge, Reverend [Ellis Atkins?], pastor. Obituary: Without warning, death plucked a flower from our garden on Wednesday morning at 5:30 a.m.,

May 21<sup>st</sup>, '69. Sister Viola Brown was called from earth to her heavenly reward. She was born in Bulloch County, joined the church at an early age, and was active in all church auxiliaries. She invested her many talents in ever-broadening good work, which she could find. She was active in church societies, ever to do what was needed. [00:55:00] Always on the alert as to how she could help comfort and cheer anyone more sadly or lowly or needy than herself. Every minute of her day she filled with helping, absorbing works. She visited the sick and the sorrowing, taught in the Sunday school, and won many young hearts for the master. Her life was full, rich, and happy. She loved people, sought to help them. And she loved the lord, sought to please him. It would be hard to find someone to fill the many things where she served, but she -- but we ask God's guidance in this, as we express to her bereaved family the deep, heartfelt sympathy we feel for them in her loss. She leaves to mourn her loving daughter, Miss Picola Smith, Roanoke, Virginia; her devoted sisters: Miss Edna Baldwin, Statesboro, Georgia; Miss Essie Mae Goodwin, Silver Spring, Maryland; Miss Ethel Lee Littles, Statesboro, Georgia; Miss Ordy Williams, Pooler, Georgia; Miss [Wilma?] Holloway, Pooler, Georgia; Miss Alberta (inaudible), Cincinnati, Ohio; her devoted brothers: Mr. Willie (inaudible); Mr. D.B. Parrish, Cincinnati, Ohio; Mr. Doc Parrish -- M. Doc Parrish, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Mr. Steve McCray, Pensacola, Florida; the Reverend George McCray, Jersey City; eight grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grand... A host of nieces, nephews, and many friends." OK, "Internment, Lincoln Memorial Cemetery, Savannah, Georgia." All right, now, so what I'm going to do here is take a picture of this. OK, now, let me see what I can do with this. OK, so, I should be able to get that. I want to get a close-up of her picture. That's one thing about that -- I can take the picture (inaudible). I'm going to get one more, Cousin Viola. I'm so glad to see you. OK. All righty. So, I got Cousin Viola there. Thank you. Now, I've got Cousin Essie. I'll take these with me, and then I can read those later. Now, do you have any other ones I don't have? The other -- George McCray -- who was that?

BALDWIN: That's S.J.

JACKSON: Oh, his name was George?

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: S.J. -- I thought he was -- was that the one that's Stonewall Jackson.

BALDWIN: Yeah.

JANNIE EMORY: Yeah, Stonewall.

JACKSON: But they called him Elder George McCray?

JANNIE EMORY: Uh-huh, that was his real name.

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JANNIE EMORY: I think -- I think he had it changed. I think he, somewhere along the line, he had his name changed to George McCray.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh, yeah, sure did. Somewheres along the line, he done get --

JACKSON: OK, so, he got rid of that Stonewall, huh?

JANNIE EMORY: Yeah, he got rid of the Stonewall. (laughter)

BALDWIN: Uh-huh, uh-huh.

JACKSON: OK. Good, and then, this is your daughter Ruby. I got -- she gave me a copy -- wait a minute, you didn't give me Cousin Ruby, did you?

JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: OK, yeah, because she went to school with my mama.

BALDWIN: Yeah.

JANNIE EMORY: Oh, yeah?

JACKSON: She told me my mother -- because you didn't remember my mother.

BALDWIN: Uh-uh.

JACKSON: My mother was the one that got burnt -- she doesn't know my mother.

BALDWIN: No, no, no.

JACKSON: Now, Cousin Ruby is older than you.

BALDWIN: Yeah, yeah.

JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: So, that's -- so, she would have -- she and my mama were roughly around the same age.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: My mother was born in '31.

BALDWIN: Yeah.

JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: And she was born in '30.

BALDWIN: Yeah.

JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: And so -- but they -- she -- because I remember, the last time I came, she said they were classmates, and she told me --

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: -- that she had come by to see my mother. My mother was burned up in '51.

JANNIE EMORY: Oh, she was?

JACKSON: Mm-hmm.

JANNIE EMORY: Now, you are Larry --

BALDWIN: Now, how many brothers or sisters do you have?

JACKSON: There was three of us. My mother had three children. There was an older boy -- he had the red hair. And then it was my sister. And then it was me.

BALDWIN: Is your sister living?

JACKSON: Yes, she lives in Columbus, Ohio.

BALDWIN: Oh, she does?

JACKSON: Mm-hmm.

BALDWIN: And your other brother, he's...?

JACKSON: He died. He got killed in a motorcycle accident in '84.

BALDWIN: Sure enough?

JACKSON: He has one daughter, and I'm in touch. And she's graduating from high school this year, so we're going to go to that --

BALDWIN: Sure enough?

JACKSON: -- and see her. So, we've kept in touch.

BALDWIN: Now, who did you marry? I don't reckon I know her.

JACKSON: You wouldn't know my wife. I -- she was from Baltimore, Maryland.

BALDWIN: Oh, oh.

JACKSON: I met her when we were students at Ohio State.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: And we married, and we have four children.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: My oldest daughter just came back to Ohio and set her practice up. She's a doctor -- OB/GYN -- a woman doctor.

BALDWIN: Sure enough?

JACKSON: And then, my oldest son is an orthopedic surgeon. He's at Ohio State. And I do family medicine in Fremont. And we're all in the same -- we are in the same town together.

JANNIE EMORY: So, you're a medical doctor, too?

JACKSON: [01:00:00] Yes.

JANNIE EMORY: Oh, good.

JACKSON: Mm-hmm, mm-hmm. And so -- but I'm very interested in genealogy, and in the research.

JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: And so, whenever I can get a chance to come around and get all of the history, I try real hard. And I'm putting it all in an archive.

JANNIE EMORY: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: And just trying to amass all of this information while we have --

JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: -- these great minds like Cousin Edna still here to tell us. (laughter)

JANNIE EMORY: So, she does -- I think she does very well, you know, at her age.

JACKSON: She does excellent.

JANNIE EMORY: You know?

JACKSON: She does really good.

BALDWIN: Now, what do you hear from your Uncle Bobby? What do you hear of him?

JACKSON: I saw him -- I was down in Florida about one month ago, and I went by to see him.

BALDWIN: Oh, you did? How --

JACKSON: Yeah, he's coming along fairly good. He's had some problem with his heart and blood pressure, but he's still doing --

BALDWIN: Yeah.

JACKSON: -- pretty good.

BALDWIN: Good, good.

JACKSON: Yes, indeed. He talks about y'all, all of the time.

BALDWIN: Sure enough?

JANNIE EMORY: Oh, yeah.

JACKSON: Definitely. He knows a lot, too, but --

JANNIE EMORY: (inaudible) he does.

JACKSON: -- he really talks about you all. But, see, Cousin Edna knows stuff that he wasn't in the generation. (laughter)

JANNIE EMORY: Oh, right. You know, Uncle S.J. -- you know, Uncle -- he would have loved to talk to you. So, as you know, before he died he was a diabetic. (laughter) And he was a double amputee, and also -- and blind, because he worked at a factory in -- I think it was in New York. Well, some kind of acid or something got in his eyes.

BALDWIN: Did you have (inaudible)?

JANNIE EMORY: Yes, I gave him --

JACKSON: She gave me one of his.

JANNIE EMORY: Which caused his blindness.



JACKSON: Oh, my goodness.

JANNIE EMORY: So, anyway, he -- during his last days, he lived in New Jersey. After he left Florida, he went to Jersey City and he was there for years. And so, during his last days... And so, after -- he could no longer take care of himself, you know? He lived by himself for quite a while after his wife died. Now, he was able to take care of himself.

JACKSON: Wonderful. Quite a man.

JANNIE EMORY: And being blind. So, after they had to take off both legs, he wanted to come and be near mother, you know? So, I was able to get him in a nursing -- Providence Nursing Home.

JACKSON: Oh, how wonderful.

JANNIE EMORY: Which was about -- (inaudible) three minutes -- three or five minutes.

JACKSON: Oh, wasn't that wonderful? So, you was able to be around and talk to him.

JANNIE EMORY: Uh-huh.

BALDWIN: Truly a blessing.

JACKSON: What a blessing.

JANNIE EMORY: He was here for four year before he passed, you know?

JACKSON: What a blessing.

JANNIE EMORY: And I think, for three years I went every day.

JACKSON: What a blessing.

JANNIE EMORY: And so, they talked to me. You know, they said, "Well, don't go every day." But I felt as if -- that I was his eyes, his legs, and everything, you know?

JACKSON: Oh, you were getting many blessings for that -- many blessings.

JANNIE EMORY: So, I would go every afternoon, and sometimes, if I was home, I would go twice a day, to make sure that... He was very good about feeding himself and he, actually, didn't, I think, perceive his illness, or what had happened to him, as a handicapped person. And after they found out he was a minister, they had -- they would bring in different churches and ministers to -- at the nursing home, on Sunday mornings. And he was (inaudible) Sunday morning. They recognized him, at Providence Hospital, which is a Catholic hospital. So, he first was up the street, while it was still (inaudible) nursing home. But somebody gave him -- you know how he would give Catholics, you know, (inaudible) sometimes. So, they built a huge nursing home right behind the hospital, and -- which was good. And it had everything, you know? So, anyway, when they was building that, they asked me did I want him transferred over. So, I told them yes, you know? Better facilities and everything. Well, the one he was in wasn't bad, but this was new. So -- but he was there for four years, and for two years, oh, he loved the family reunion. And when he got there, he wanted to know if Bobby was there.

JACKSON: Oh, yes.

JANNIE EMORY: Larry, you know? So, my husband was good. And so, we would get him dressed, and -- because my husband would get up early to get him dressed and put him in his wheelchair. And they would go down and have breakfast. And then, he wanted to talk to Larry.

JACKSON: Well, isn't that special?

JANNIE EMORY: You know, so, he and Larry would get together, and they would talk about things, you know? Old times, you know?

JACKSON: Oh, how wonderful. That was a nice blessing you gave him --

JANNIE EMORY: Oh, he would go and have some...

JACKSON: -- for your mama and for your uncle. (laughter) That is so nice.

JANNIE EMORY: So, you know, (overlapping dialogue; inaudible).

JACKSON: So nice.

JANNIE EMORY: And he always [01:05:00] looked forward to Larry. "Did Larry come up from Florida?" I said, "Yes, Larry..." Because Larry would miss being here. So -- but the last reunion, he wasn't able to go. But his doctor -- he had a very good doctor.

JACKSON: You can put it on the table if you want to. Mm-hmm.

BALDWIN: Huh?

JACKSON: You want to put that on the table?

BALDWIN: No, I'm going to get you a -- I'm going to catch back and bring you Lucia's number.

JACKSON: OK. Now, you don't have any more funeral programs in that book? Did we look at every one?

BALDWIN: (overlapping dialogue; inaudible).

JACKSON: Let me make sure, because I don't like -- I don't like to miss a lick. (laughter)

BALDWIN: No.

JANNIE EMORY: (inaudible) I could look -- I think I have another folder -- I'm not too sure -- somewhere, with maybe some more of the family's programs.

JACKSON: Who is this? Is this family?

JANNIE EMORY: Let me see.

JACKSON: James Embrown Holloway -- that's not a family one?

JANNIE EMORY: No, let me see. Let me see that. No, uh-uh. That was our pastor's wife's brother. I guess this is just about it.

JACKSON: Well, we've got (inaudible). She's got a bunch of those in there.

JANNIE EMORY: I don't think, during the time when Aunt Roxie and them died, if they even made up programs.

JACKSON: Had programs.

JANNIE EMORY: They would -- they just went in and sang a few songs of prayer and the eulogy. And that was just about it. I don't know -- they weren't making programs during that time.

JACKSON: Yeah. You don't know what year she died, though, do you?

JANNIE EMORY: Who, Aunt Roxie?

JACKSON: Mm-hmm.

JANNIE EMORY: I don't remember.

JACKSON: Mm-hmm. But how old do you think you were, when she died? (inaudible).

JANNIE EMORY: I guess I maybe was about 13 or 14 when she died.

JACKSON: Now, who did Aunt Roxie look like, as you remember? Do you -- did she favor anybody you know?

JANNIE EMORY: Aunt Roxie?

JACKSON: Mm-hmm.

JANNIE EMORY: Aunt Roxie was tall and slender, just about your complexion. And she -- where is -- I was trying to -- oh, you know what, really, I don't know of anyone. I don't know whether or not Irene has a picture of her mother. But they always said, well, she kind of acted like Aunt Roxie, you know? The kind of slow Aunt Roxie, you know? But I don't know who might have a picture of her. But if there was ever... Well, we can look

around, you know? I can go through and see what we do have. But, believe it or not, she is one I don't think I have a picture of.

JACKSON: You don't have a picture of Aunt Roxie?

JANNIE EMORY: No.

JACKSON: OK, does your mama have a picture of her mother, Charity?

JANNIE EMORY: Well...

JACKSON: Does anybody have a picture of her?

JANNIE EMORY: I don't know of anyone who would have.

JACKSON: Because I don't have a feel for what she looked like.

JANNIE EMORY: A picture of her.

JACKSON: Mm-hmm.

JANNIE EMORY: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: Does she have a picture of her dad, Steve?

JANNIE EMORY: I think -- seems like I have seen a picture of him. But where? Because I think he was a kind of tall man. I don't know -- I don't know who would have had those.

JACKSON: Now --

JANNIE EMORY: I know some pictures were passed on to my brother. He resides in Maryland. And I can check with him.

JACKSON: Check and see, because --

JANNIE EMORY: And if you leave your address and --

JACKSON: I will definitely do that.

JANNIE EMORY: -- we can have copies made and send to you.

JACKSON: I will definitely do that.

JANNIE EMORY: Now, he might have it.

JACKSON: Now, who is this man here? Is he a relative?

JANNIE EMORY: That's my sister Ruth -- you know, Ruby was a twin -- Ruth and Ruby. And this is Ruth's husband. She lived in New York. That's -- Ulysses Higgins.

JACKSON: I see. Now, who was this one here? Let's see. Who is that?

JANNIE EMORY: This is my sister Naomi's husband, see? We're the youngest, my brother and I. Naomi's next.

JACKSON: Now, who is this?

JANNIE EMORY: And --

JACKSON: [01:10:00] That's not Miss Bogie.

JANNIE EMORY: -- that's George McCray. That's one of the --

JACKSON: Yeah, I know who he is, George McCray.

JANNIE EMORY: -- one of the McCrays, you know? That's who -- that is. I didn't know she had this book.

JACKSON: A lot of pictures in there.

JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: Yeah, I was -- she's got them all organized. (laughter) We were just going through your book there and finding all of them --

BALDWIN: Uh-huh, well, (overlapping dialogue; inaudible).

JACKSON: -- programs and things.

BALDWIN: Let me see that I called her.

JANNIE EMORY: Who?

BALDWIN: Lucy.

JANNIE EMORY: Lucy?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh, (inaudible).

JACKSON: Now he's --

JANNIE EMORY: (inaudible).

BALDWIN: Lucy Johnson.

JANNIE EMORY: Uh-huh.

BALDWIN: [Lucius Anderson?].

JANNIE EMORY: Huh?

BALDWIN: Lucius Anderson.

JANNIE EMORY: What are you going to get from her?

BALDWIN: Huh?

JANNIE EMORY: What are you going to...?

BALDWIN: He's the one that married Uncle (inaudible), you know?

JANNIE EMORY: Oh.

JACKSON: Lucius Anderson, OK.

BALDWIN: Yeah, he's the one who married Thelma.

JACKSON: OK, she is really with it -- pretty good. She's with it pretty good.

JANNIE EMORY: Yeah.

JACKSON: She's- she doesn't look like her age.

JANNIE EMORY: She's 98.

JACKSON: I keep thinking that -- because I -- you know, I guess I see older people all the time in the office.

JANNIE EMORY: Yeah.

JACKSON: They don't act like her. (laughter) She -- I was like, she's just amazing.

JANNIE EMORY: Yeah, she's remarkable.

JACKSON: She is.

JANNIE EMORY: Didn't you come to the family reunion three years ago -- three or four years ago.

JACKSON: Which -- where was it held?

JANNIE EMORY: I'm trying to think. Were we in Cincinnati?

JACKSON: I came to Cincinnati to a reunion, because I would have been on Ohio at the time. I would have come down to Cincinnati to a reunion.

JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm, so you were there?

JACKSON: I -- yes. I did come. I came to the reunion in Cincinnati, because your mama was there. And I came for a short period of time, and I may have talked a little bit. And I know my son was there, because he had his baby.

JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm. Because the reason -- I'm trying to put the two together -- because I do know there was someone there in the family who was a doctor.

JACKSON: Mm-hmm.

JANNIE EMORY: And I think you -- whoever it was got up and said that --

JACKSON: Yes, that was probably me. Yes.

JANNIE EMORY: -- it was your first reunion.

JACKSON: Yes, yes. Because I hadn't been, you know -- I hadn't been coming to the reunions. It was in Ohio, right, yes.

JANNIE EMORY: You hadn't been coming? Well, you know about the one -- and it's going to be at Detroit this year.

JACKSON: OK, now, it's this year?

JANNIE EMORY: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: Oh, that's close.

JANNIE EMORY: You haven't gotten anything on it?

JACKSON: No, but I will have to find out something.

JANNIE EMORY: Well, I'll give you something on it.

JACKSON: Because if it's that -- if it's that close... I mean, Detroit is not that far from me.

JANNIE EMORY: Right.

JACKSON: So, I should definitely try to --

JANNIE EMORY: And nobody has -- you see, Colleen, she's Bishop Lee's brother's daughter.

JACKSON: Mm-hmm.

JANNIE EMORY: And she's a minister (inaudible).

JACKSON: Yes, I've heard of her, mm-hmm.

JANNIE EMORY: Well, she is hosting the reunion this year.

JACKSON: I see.

JANNIE EMORY: And she has sent out correspondence, so while you're here I will give you a (overlapping dialogue; inaudible).

JACKSON: Yeah, if you'd give me -- if you'd give me a copy or some way to get in contact.

JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: Because Detroit is only 90 miles from me.

JANNIE EMORY: Right, if it's only 90 miles (overlapping dialogue; inaudible).

JACKSON: So, I definitely should be able to go this year.

JANNIE EMORY: So -- but I was supposed to have sent, but...

JACKSON: Are you all going?

JANNIE EMORY: I guess so. I'm sure. We didn't go... Last year, when was it? Yes, we did. We went last year, because it was in Statesboro last year.

JACKSON: Oh, OK.

JANNIE EMORY: The reunion was in Statesboro. So, we went, but when it was in St. Petersburg, Florida, the year before, we didn't go because Ruby was sick, and it was -- seems like my brother was sick. There was so much illness, you know, in the family, that -- during that time. So, we didn't make it. But we do plan -- usually, I'm the treasurer of the reunion.

JACKSON: Oh, are you?

JANNIE EMORY: Yes. And --

JACKSON: Oh, nice.

JANNIE EMORY: -- that was Cousin Raymond, (laughs) how I got (inaudible). And he called me when it was first being organized, you know? So, he called me and says... Now, this is my sister Ruth here. That's Ruby's twin, the one that passed. And (inaudible) --

JACKSON: OK, now, this is the one that passed?

JANNIE EMORY: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: OK.

JANNIE EMORY: About a year apart. She -- Ruth [01:15:00] passed --

JACKSON: Oh, both of the twins are gone?

JANNIE EMORY: Uh-huh. She -- Ruth passed -- I'll tell you when it was, because I know I was out in -- I was in Houston, Texas, during the time, visiting my goddaughter. So, anyway, she passed -- Ruth passed Thanksgiving night. I guess -- yeah, it was two years ago. And Ruby passed the following September -- September the 15<sup>th</sup>.

JACKSON: Less than a year apart?

JANNIE EMORY: Hm? Uh-huh.

JACKSON: Less than a year apart.

BALDWIN: I couldn't get him on that number.

JANNIE EMORY: Less than a year apart.

JACKSON: OK, is it -- the -- it was busy?

BALDWIN: No, this (inaudible) said he was changed.

JACKSON: OK, so, he's got a... What part of Florida was he in?

JANNIE EMORY: Whose is it?

JACKSON: Lucius Anderson.

BALDWIN: I don't know. Lucius Anderson -- (inaudible) Anderson. That's 941--

JANNIE EMORY: --793-3863? That's what you're dialing?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh, but they said it's ch--

JANNIE EMORY: The number has changed?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: Let me get it, because at least it would be the same town.

BALDWIN: Yeah, uh-huh.

JACKSON: OK, so, that was 941-9 -- 793- 3 --

JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: That's 3863? Is that a eight?

BALDWIN: Wait, wait, I've got it written eight.

JACKSON: OK, 3863.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: OK. All right, thank you.

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: Now, one thing I want you to help me with is all of your sisters and brothers, starting from the oldest one and come all the way down.

JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: Now, starting from the very oldest one. And your mother married McKinley Baldwin.

JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: OK, how many children did your mama have?

JANNIE EMORY: Seven.

JACKSON: OK, now, starting from the oldest, who was the first one?

JANNIE EMORY: Gaynell.

JACKSON: Gaynell?

JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: G-A-Y--

JANNIE EMORY: Y-N-E-L-L.

JACKSON: OK, Gaynell.

JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: Is that a -- Gaynell. Is that a lady or a man?

JANNIE EMORY: She's a lady.

JACKSON: Oh, Gaynell. I never heard of that name before.

JANNIE EMORY: Uh-huh. Only one boy, [James?].

JACKSON: OK, so, Gaynell.

JANNIE EMORY: All the others, all of them were girls.

JACKSON: OK, so, Gaynell Baldwin was your oldest.

JANNIE EMORY: Gaynell Williams. Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: And she married who?

JANNIE EMORY: A Williams.

JACKSON: What was his first --

JANNIE EMORY: Tyree Williams.

JACKSON: Tyree Williams.

JANNIE EMORY: T-Y-R-E-E.

JACKSON: OK.

JANNIE EMORY: Williams.

JACKSON: All right. Now, how many children did they have?

JANNIE EMORY: One.

JACKSON: And what was the name?

JANNIE EMORY: Priscilla.

JACKSON: Priscilla Williams.

JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: Did she get married?

JANNIE EMORY: No, she's not married.

JACKSON: She's single. OK. Now, who is the second one?

JANNIE EMORY: It's Lottie.

BALDWIN: Lottie Mae.

JANNIE EMORY: L-O-T-T-I-E.

JACKSON: Lottie Mae.

JANNIE EMORY: Mae.

JACKSON: Baldwin. Who did she marry?

JANNIE EMORY: Baldwin Parker -- P-A-R-K-E-R.

JACKSON: OK, now, what is his name -- her husband?

JANNIE EMORY: He's deceased.

BALDWIN: See, Lottie Mae was married twice. Her first one -- she married Florida Lanier.  
And then she married a Jim Parker.

JACKSON: OK, now, this Florida Lanier -- where is he from?

BALDWIN: He's from Statesboro, Georgia, (overlapping dialogue; inaudible) Gussie  
Donaldson and them?

JACKSON: Yeah.

BALDWIN: Yeah, that's his sister -- Gussie.

JACKSON: OK, Florida Lanier and Cousin Gussie? Is Cousin Gussie still living?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh, sister and brother, yeah.

JANNIE EMORY: Yes, Gussie's still living.

JACKSON: She's still living?

BALDWIN: Yeah, Gussie's still living.

JANNIE EMORY: (overlapping dialogue; inaudible) uh-huh.

BALDWIN: Florida's dead, but Gussie's living.  
JACKSON: Oh, is that (inaudible)?  
JANNIE EMORY: Uh-huh.  
JACKSON: How old is Cousin Gussie?  
BALDWIN: I don't know, honey, but --  
JACKSON: She ought to be in her eighties, shouldn't she?  
BALDWIN: Yeah, yeah.  
JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.  
BALDWIN: Oh, yeah, uh-huh.  
JACKSON: Oh, my goodness. So, Florida Lanier was her --  
BALDWIN: First husband.  
JANNIE EMORY: First husband.  
JACKSON: OK. And then, the second one was Jim Parker.  
BALDWIN: Uh-huh.  
JANNIE EMORY: James Parker.  
BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.  
JACKSON: OK, now, did she have any children by Florida Lanier?  
JANNIE EMORY: One.  
BALDWIN: One.  
JACKSON: And who was that?  
JANNIE EMORY: Marilyn -- M-A-R-I-L-Y-N.  
JACKSON: So, that was Marilyn Lanier?  
JANNIE EMORY: Lanier.  
JACKSON: OK, now, did Marilyn ever get married?  
BALDWIN: Yeah, she's married.  
JANNIE EMORY: Yeah, she's married.  
JACKSON: Who did she marry?  
JANNIE EMORY: She married -- what was his last name? (inaudible)  
BALDWIN: Let me call Marilyn now.  
JACKSON: OK, well, we'll get it in a minute. I don't want to keep you running like that.  
BALDWIN: OK.  
JACKSON: OK, so, Marilyn is married. I connected that.  
BALDWIN: Uh-huh, yeah. (overlapping dialogue; inaudible)  
JACKSON: Now, did she have any children by James Parker?  
JANNIE EMORY: No.  
BALDWIN: Uh-uh.  
JACKSON: Oh, so, she only has one child?  
BALDWIN: One child.  
JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.  
JACKSON: And then, she has how many grandchildren?  
JANNIE EMORY: One.  
JACKSON: So, Marilyn only has one child?  
BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.  
JACKSON: Do you know what that child's name is?  
JANNIE EMORY: (inaudible).



JACKSON: Well, we can come back later. We can get that. I'll just get... Now, who was the next one after Lottie Mae?

BALDWIN: Ruth and Ruby.

JACKSON: Ruth --

BALDWIN: And Ruby.

JACKSON: -- and Ruby. And they were twins.

BALDWIN: Uh-uh.

JANNIE EMORY: Ruth -- it would be Ruth Hagins.

JACKSON: OK. Now, was her husband's name?

BALDWIN: Ulysses Hagins.

JACKSON: Ulysses Hagins.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: And then, who was Ruth -- Ruby?

JANNIE EMORY: Ruby Foster.

BALDWIN: Foster.

JACKSON: OK, and that was Foster. That was her only husband?

JANNIE EMORY: Yes.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: OK. Now, how many children did she have? I think it --

JANNIE EMORY: Six.

BALDWIN: You want to know how many Ruth had, or Ruby? Now --

JANNIE EMORY: Both -- both had six, I believe.

JACKSON: OK, now, I think -- [01:20:00] So, I got her program, so I can get that out of there.

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm, uh-huh.

JACKSON: OK, now, Ruth -- do you have a program for her?

BALDWIN: Do I have a program for Ruth?

JACKSON: Mm-hmm.

JANNIE EMORY: I will have to --

BALDWIN: I'm looking now to see. She (inaudible).

JACKSON: How many children did she have?

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JANNIE EMORY: I think it was six.

BALDWIN: Ruth?

JACKSON: Ruth had six, too?

BALDWIN: Six or seven.

JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm. Was it seven?

BALDWIN: Let me see. There's Marvin, Bill, and...

JANNIE EMORY: Let me see.

BALDWIN: (inaudible) Marvin, and Bill, and -- what's the oldest one named, that died? The boy?

JANNIE EMORY: Marshall.

JACKSON: Marshall?

JANNIE EMORY: Marshall, Marvin, Bill.

BALDWIN: Uh-huh. Marsha --

JANNIE EMORY: Patricia.

BALDWIN: And then- Tricia. And Darlene.

JANNIE EMORY: Darlene and Beatrice.  
BALDWIN: Beatrice.  
JANNIE EMORY: That's it.  
JACKSON: That's six.  
JANNIE EMORY: Six.  
BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.  
JACKSON: OK, and that's Cousin Ruth's children?  
JANNIE EMORY: Those are Ruth's children.  
JACKSON: And she married Ulysses Hayes?  
BALDWIN: That was Ruth -- what we called here, with the six children.  
JANNIE EMORY: Yeah, he knows that.  
BALDWIN: Mm-hmm. Now, you said, how many Ruby got now?  
JANNIE EMORY: Ruby got six.  
JACKSON: She got six, and I got hers. I got hers in the program.  
JANNIE EMORY: He's got (inaudible).  
JACKSON: OK, now, who comes after Ruth and Ruby?  
JANNIE EMORY: Naomi.  
BALDWIN: Naomi.  
JANNIE EMORY: N-A-O-M-I.  
JACKSON: OK, now, how many children did -- who did she marry?  
JANNIE EMORY: She married -- well, she had -- she has been married twice. Collis Spahn, but he's deceased.  
BALDWIN: He was from Statesboro.  
JANNIE EMORY: And then she married --  
BALDWIN: Over in Statesboro, down that road -- down there by the lower Mt. Zion -- Collis Spahn -- you know, the Spahn boy. You might remember hearing me tell of Spahns.  
JACKSON: Mm-hmm, OK. Did they have any children, those --  
BALDWIN: They had one.  
JACKSON: Now, who was that?  
JANNIE EMORY: (overlapping dialogue; inaudible).  
BALDWIN: Collis Spahn.  
JANNIE EMORY: His name was Collis -- Collis Spahn, Junior. (phone rings)  
JACKSON: OK. Now, did Collis get married?  
JANNIE EMORY: Hello? Hi.  
BALDWIN: Yeah, he married, uh-huh.  
JANNIE EMORY: Yeah.  
JACKSON: Do you know who he married?  
BALDWIN: His wife's name is Lucy, but I don't know what was her last name.  
JACKSON: OK. All right, now, did -- now, who did Naomi marry the second time?  
BALDWIN: Naomi married Clayton... what was the last of his name, Clay's? (inaudible)  
Clayton... Sister, what was the last of Clayton -- Naomi what?  
JANNIE EMORY: Charles? Charles?  
CHARLES EMORY: (inaudible).  
JANNIE EMORY: Dolores is on the phone (inaudible).  
JACKSON: OK.  
BALDWIN: Sister, what was Clayton's last name?

JANNIE EMORY: Huh?  
BALDWIN: What's Clayton's last name?  
JANNIE EMORY: Who?  
BALDWIN: Clayton -- Naomi's husband.  
JANNIE EMORY: Clayton Brown.  
BALDWIN: Yeah, Brown.  
JACKSON: OK. Did they have any children?  
BALDWIN: No, they didn't have any children.  
JANNIE EMORY: No.  
BALDWIN: Uh-uh.  
JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.  
JACKSON: So, she only had one child -- Collis Spahn, Junior.  
BALDWIN: Uh-huh.  
JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.  
BALDWIN: Right.  
JACKSON: And he married somebody named Lucy?  
BALDWIN: Uh-huh.  
JACKSON: Did they have any children?  
BALDWIN: Yeah, they have two boys.  
JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.  
JACKSON: Do you know their names?  
JANNIE EMORY: One is named --  
BALDWIN: The oldest boy is named after his daddy -- little Collis.  
JANNIE EMORY: Yeah, and the other one's name is Manuel.  
BALDWIN: Yeah, Manuel.  
JACKSON: OK, and these are all Spahns?  
BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.  
JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.  
JACKSON: OK. All right. Now, who comes after Naomi?  
JANNIE EMORY: Jannie and James.  
JACKSON: Sister and the boy.  
JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.  
JACKSON: James -- this is another twin?  
JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.  
JACKSON: James --  
BALDWIN: Yeah, I had two sets of twins, uh-huh.  
JANNIE EMORY: James Baldwin.  
JACKSON: OK.  
BALDWIN: I'm going to let her talk -- I want to (inaudible).  
JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.  
JACKSON: OK, and then, Jannie. And now, who -- and you married...?  
JANNIE EMORY: Yeah, Charles Emory.  
JACKSON: E-M-O-R-Y.  
JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.  
JACKSON: Now, how many children to you have?  
JANNIE EMORY: One. It's John Emory.

JACKSON: OK.

JANNIE EMORY: John M. Emory.

JACKSON: OK. Now, did John marry anybody?

JANNIE EMORY: Yes.

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: Who did he marry?

JANNIE EMORY: Tamika Hobson.

JACKSON: Hotson?

JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: H-O-T-S-O-N?

JANNIE EMORY: No, Hobson -- H-O-B-S-O-N.

JACKSON: Hobson, OK. OK, do they have any children?

JANNIE EMORY: Yes, two.

JACKSON: OK, who are they?

BALDWIN: Two little girls.

JANNIE EMORY: They have Torrienne -- T-O-R-R-I-E-N-N-E -- Emory. And the other one is Alexis -- A-L-E-X-I-S.

JACKSON: OK, Emory.

JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: OK, and so, you just have the one child?

JANNIE EMORY: Uh-huh.

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: You all keep them small, don't you?

JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: (laughter) You all (inaudible) when they have six, it's like, "Oh, my God. What the hell is wrong?" (laughter) OK, now, James married...?

JANNIE EMORY: Myrtle -- M-Y-R-T-L-E.

BALDWIN: Oh, is she...?

JANNIE EMORY: (inaudible).

JACKSON: What was her last name?

JANNIE EMORY: Davis.

JACKSON: Myrtle Davis.

JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: And how many children do they have?

JANNIE EMORY: They have four.

JACKSON: OK.

JANNIE EMORY: Then they -- there's Terrence -- T-E-R-R-E-N-C-E -- Baldwin.

JACKSON: OK, Terrence Baldwin, OK.

JANNIE EMORY: [01:25:00] Kimberly --

JACKSON: Kimberly.

JANNIE EMORY: -- K-I-M-B-E-R-L-Y -- Robinson.

JACKSON: Kimberly Robins-- she married a Robinson, huh?

JANNIE EMORY: Yeah, she married a Robinson -- R-O-B-I-N-S-O-N.

JACKSON: Do you remember what his first name is?

JANNIE EMORY: Denard.

JACKSON: D-E-N-A-R-D.

JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: OK, now, is Terrence married?

JANNIE EMORY: No, Terrence isn't married.

JACKSON: OK. Now, who is after Kimberly?

JANNIE EMORY: Then there's Brian -- B-R-I-A-N --

JACKSON: Brian --

JANNIE EMORY: -- Baldwin.

JACKSON: -- Baldwin. Is he married?

JANNIE EMORY: No.

JACKSON: He's single. And then, who after Brian?

JANNIE EMORY: And there's an Andre.

JACKSON: Andre Baldwin.

JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: Now, does Kimberly and Denard have any children?

BALDWIN: Have one.

JANNIE EMORY: They have one.

JACKSON: Do you know the name?

JANNIE EMORY: Kahla -- I think that's --

JACKSON: Kahla.

JANNIE EMORY: -- K-A-H-L-A, Kahla. K-A--

JACKSON: K-A-H-L-A. There's a K-A-Y-L-A, or a K-A-H Kahla?

JANNIE EMORY: K-A-Y-L-A, Kayla. I have to get the correct spelling.

JACKSON: Kayla Robinson.

JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: OK. So, I got them. So, these are all of the children that you have. And I actually got most of your grandchildren.

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: James and Myrtle did not have any children.

JANNIE EMORY: Who?

JACKSON: No, no, James and Myrtle had four children, I'm sorry.

JANNIE EMORY: Mm-hmm.

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: And Jannie and Charles had one child, who married Tamika, who have two children, Alexis and Torrienne. OK. And Clayton Brown did not have any children. Naomi and Collis had one. This is Collis and Manuel. And then, do you know what Lucy's name was, who married Collis Spahn -- the maiden name?

JANNIE EMORY: What was her name? C-O-P... (inaudible)

BALDWIN: What's that, sister? What's that?

JANNIE EMORY: I'm trying to think of Lisa --

JACKSON: Lucy's maiden name.

JANNIE EMORY: Lucy's maiden name.

BALDWIN: Trying to think of Lucy's maiden name?

JANNIE EMORY: Yeah.

BALDWIN: Oh, I don't know her maiden name.

JANNIE EMORY: I don't... I think it's -- I know it's an O. I think it started with an O.

JACKSON: OK, all right.

JANNIE EMORY: Something like that.

JACKSON: Then, well, we got most of that, then. Yeah, so I've got -- now all -- I got most of your children and grandchildren, because I've got a registry I'm putting all this in.

JANNIE EMORY: Uh-huh.

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: OK, now, let me ask you another question. Did you remember Uncle Mose Lee?

BALDWIN: Yeah, that's Mama's brother, you know? He's one of those ones.

JACKSON: OK, now, so, did you know who Uncle Mose married?

BALDWIN: No, honey, I sure can't -- know who Uncle Mose married.

JACKSON: OK, but what kind of looking person was Uncle Mose?

BALDWIN: Say what?

JACKSON: What did he look like?

JANNIE EMORY: (inaudible) what did he look like?

JACKSON: Yes.

BALDWIN: He was a tall, dark-skinned man. Real tall -- Uncle Mose was real tall.

JACKSON: OK.

BALDWIN: Mm-hmm.

JACKSON: He was... And now, who -- Uncle Mose had a different mother, they said, but he had the same daddy. Did you know who was his mother was? (phone rings)

BALDWIN: No, I sure didn't.

JACKSON: You don't know?

BALDWIN: Uh-uh.

JACKSON: But that was your mother's brother?

BALDWIN: Yeah, that was Mama's brother.

JACKSON: OK.

JANNIE EMORY: Hello?

JACKSON: Now, did you know --

JANNIE EMORY: Yes.

JACKSON: You knew Aunt Martha real good.

BALDWIN: Yeah, that's Mama's sister.

JANNIE EMORY: Yes.

BALDWIN: Aunt Martha and Aunt Lou -- they was the youngest (inaudible). Uh-huh.

JACKSON: Mm-hmm, mm-hmm. Now, did you know Uncle Richard?

BALDWIN: Yeah.

JACKSON: Now, what happened to Uncle Richard?

BALDWIN: Seems like he was living in Florida. And seems like he got killed. Seems like him and a man got into it and Uncle Richard (inaudible).

JANNIE EMORY: Yes, yes, I did.

BALDWIN: I think he ran home and got his gun or something, and he come in the door or something. Seems like this man killed him.

JANNIE EMORY: Oh, my goodness.

BALDWIN: They say --

JACKSON: You don't know what he killed him about?

BALDWIN: No, I sure don't, honey. Uh-uh.

JACKSON: Mm-hmm. Did Uncle Richard and them have any children?

BALDWIN: Yeah.

JACKSON: How many children?

BALDWIN: They had three. There was Candy, and --

JANNIE EMORY: (overlapping dialogue; inaudible).

BALDWIN: -- what was Candy's sister name? And the boy was named Clarence. The boy was named Clarence, and Clemmy -- Clemmy. And we called her Baby, but I believe her name was Charlotte. But we called her Baby.

JACKSON: OK, so, Charlotte was called Baby?

BALDWIN: Uh-huh.

JACKSON: And then a boy -- then somebody named Clemmy?

BALDWIN: Clemmy --

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