

Ellis, John Taylor

STEPHANIE ELLIS' FAMILY STORIES

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I chose to interview my dad, John Ellis. He was born in Salt Lake City. All of his life he lived in Salt Lake until we decided to move to Ferron. In his family there is 9 kids, only 4 boys with 5 girls, and his parents. He likes to go fishing and boating and anything that has to do with water.

When my dad was just a little boy, him and his 3 brothers would round up all the neighbor boys and take them down to a apple orchard. Down in this particular apple orchard there was an old chicken coupe. Well every day all these boys would go down there and play like they were in the war and the chicken coupe was their Fort or Hide-out.

One day while all of the boys were down at the fort, the "Stupid-Boys from up the street" (as all of the boys called them) came to the fort thinking they could play with them. Well all the boys in the fort was not going to let them play because this was **Their Territory**.

"Get out of here, you cant play with us" Yelled one of the boys. "Your the Stupid kids from up the street, Get out of here and don't you ever come back" the same kid yelled. Well those boys were not going to give up that easy.

The boys left, so the Army Crew went on playing like they were in the army until those stubborn little boys came back again. "Fire, those dirtbags are dead now," said the kid who thought he was in charge. But the other kids were prepared for them to come back. They got four big trash cans full of apples that had fallen on the ground and put them inside of the fort. Next they got a big sling shot and tied it in between two of the biggest trees they

could find, then put about 20 - 25 apples in the sling shot and yelled "FIRE." Apples were flying every where, all of those other boys went running and kept running all the way home. The plan worked and those boys never came back again, just as they had expected.