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My grandma Lloyal Eloise Moffit was born April 6th, 1937, in a small house in Orangeville. After marrying my grandpa Dan H. Hunter, they moved around quite a lot, finally they settled down somewhere in Salt Lake City. After having three kids Leslie, Bobbi, Douglas, Douglas died of a very rare cancer for that time, later she had Michael. So after her three kids grew up and had kids of their own the decided that they would move to Price UT, then after living there for a while the moved back to Salt Lake and lived there for a while then they moved back to Price, then back to Salt Lake, after doing that for a while they finally settled down in Price where my interview took place on April 26, 1997.

Danielle: What is your full name? And why were you named it?

Grandma: You know my name, its Lloyal Eloise Moffett, and I was named that because I had a twin and he was a boy and he was named Lloyd , and Lloyal rhymed with Lloyd. Eloise is cause that was my mothers name, and Moffit is cause it was their last name, so it was mine too.

Danielle: Did you have any nicknames?

Grandma: Have any what?

Danielle: Have any nicknames?

Grandma: How can ya nickname Lloyal? (begins to laugh) No I had- in school they called me rubber legs, because my legs looked like tooth picks and then my knees stuck out like an apple, so they called me rubber legs.

Danielle: What was the scariest thing that happened to you when you were growing up?

Grandma: Well we had a place called the Blue Ridge, and everyone would go up there and neck. It's up those hills when your going through Orangeville, going towards ferron and theres some hills up there called the Blue Ridge

and every one would go up there and go make out, and that's as far as I'm going with that story.

Danielle: Will you tell me your story about when you fell out of the car? What happened there?

Grandma: Well lets see, well we weren't necking, but we were going up the road to Joes Valley and there was about six of us all piled up in the car.

Danielle: Do you remember who was with you?

Grandma: Oh I can't remember.

Danielle: Were there any guys with you?

Grandma: Well yes, there were guys and galls, and I was sitting next to the door and the car was very crowded with every body in it.

Danielle: Was it one of those cars that don't have tops on them?

Grandma: Oh no, it had a top on it, it was like a Model T. It was it was an older car and it was a little car and we had it crammed full of people and I was sitting next to the passenger side door and we went around a turn and the door came open and I fell out. (begins to laugh)

Danielle: How fast were you going?

Grandma: Well we were going up the canyon so we couldn't of been going very fast.

Danielle: Did you get hurt?

Grandma: Hurt? Well I pretended that I was hurt so I could get all the attention, (laughter) "yes my necks broke, OH my back!" (more laughter.) There was twelve girls in my group and none of us went any where without those twelve girls.

Danielle: So you guys were like best friends?

Grandma: Mmmm, we were all best friends and we've remained best friend for... well we're still best friends and we've been out of school for forty years.

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Danielle: That pretty awesome.

Grandma: Nobodies gotten to good for any body else, nobodies gotten richer than any body else, we still laugh about the old times.

Danielle: Did you participate in a lot of school sports and activities?

Grandma: Well heaven yes, I played basket ball and I played base ball and soccer and lots of different sports.

Danielle: Where you on the teams? Where there teams back then?

Grandma: They didn't have teams, well when I was in grade school, but when I got in high school they had them but we didn't um... you know...

Danielle: Play on the teams?

Grandma: Ya, we never played on the teams, it was just like PE we'd just go out and play, we never played against different schools or any thing it was just like P.E.

Danielle: Which sport did you like the best?

Grandma: Well I loved to play base ball, but I can hit the ball as good now as I could then (laughter), and honey it aint that good at all.

Danielle: Was there Cheerleaders in your school?

Grandma: Sure we had cheerleaders. We were the first school when I git in high school to ever have a boy cheerleader, his name was Orvell Nelson, and every one though that we were jerky for having a boy cheerleader, but its the thing now.

Danielle: Ya-

Grandma: He was from ferron by the way..

Danielle: He was?

Grandma: Yep.

Danielle: Where did you go to school at?

Grandma: I used to go to South Emery! His parents lived just right down the street from Aunt Dorothy and Uncle Lowery.

Danielle: Oh really?

Grandma: Ya, he had a sister named... um ...oh what was it... Alison ya that's it.

Danielle: Were you friends with her?

Grandma: No not really I'd talked to her once or twice but that's all.

Danielle: Did you and your friend have any special places to hang out besides the Blue Ridge?

Grandma: Well don't know on Sunday we'd walk from one place to another, ya know all the twelve houses, one lived clear on the end of town and one lived clear up to the east and one lived clear up to the west and one lived way down on the bench. Pretty soon we got the name "The Street Walkers."

Danielle: You did?

Grandma: Um-hu. Well you know by the time we went to twelve houses and everybody was scattered all along the street we were sort of walking the street

Danielle: When you turned sixteen did you have your own car?

Grandma: Never had my own car until grandpa bought me one. See I couldn't drive Cause I was in competition with my twin and he was a boy and so he always got the car, besides one time I took the car with out my parents knowing went and picked up a couple of my friends and we went up to the Blue Ridge, I got to the top of the hill and I didn't dare to come down so we had to walk clear back to Orangeville and get my dad and he had to drive the car back down the hill and then home (laughter) . Ya I'm kinda like that now ya know I go up and I can't go back down. Remember when your dad had to come and get me down from that mountain?

Danielle: No.

Grandma: When we were up-oh maybe you weren't born yet, Any ways there was Mike and I, your mother and dad and Amber. Mike and I and Amber decided that we were going to go on a little walk up this little hill well we got up there and I didn't dare to come back down so Michael had to take Amber back down and go and get your dad to come and get me.

Danielle: Why didn't you dare to walk down the hill?

Grandma: I just couldn't bring my self to doing it (laughter) with out help (more laughter). I'm still kinda like that now I can go up but I just can't bring my self to coming down.

Danielle: Did you ever learn how to play a musical Instrument?

Grandma: Ya I uh, learned how to play the piano. I always wanted to lean to play the harp though so when I die I can make sure I have my wings (laughter), and my harp I never got to that point though.

Danielle: Can you describe to me what you usually or to school?

Grandma: Yes, in grade school, it was during the war, I wore dress made out of flour sacks because we didn't have any money to buy dresses and that.

Danielle: Like those brown gunny sack? Is that what it was?

Grandma: Oh no these were um... these were... floral you know they were a printed sack.

Danielle: Were they cute?

Grandma: Well I think that my mother did a really good job at sewing them, but I you know I wasent the only one wearing them then. And then in high school... lets see it was the Joy shoes and Jansen sweaters and...I didn't ever have any of those I didn't want any I thought they looked terrible the shoes anyway.

Danielle: What did they look like?

Grandma: Well the kinda look like the shoes now.

Danielle: Oh! (laughter)

Grandma: Except for the big heel. But um I just wore- I had nice cloths they were always clean and pressed, till I had been in them for an hour and...

Danielle: Why till you've been in them for an hour?

Grandma: Well I just you know- I was a slouch, a slob is what I was (laughter).

Danielle: Were there any fads when you were your that you remember?

Grandma: Just like I said the Joy shoes and the pants and sweaters... I'm trying to think of - OH! Wait there was one and I was in on the fad the big skirts and the more petite coats you could get under them and the stiffer we used to get them then the better you were and then the saddle locket you know the black and white ones that was in but we used to take the petite coats and starch them with flour and water then we'd take them out an put them in the cloths line and hang them like this so that they was circular like this and that's the way they'd come out and we'd put them on and then you'd just kinda tap them down a little bit and pretty soon they'd start to *rot* after a little while! Oh ya the more slips you could get on the better you were.

Danielle: Was it like how high of class you were? Or just how cool you were?

Grandma: Ya, and we'd be like gosh she got six more on than I did!(laughter).

Danielle: How old were you when you started dating?

Grandma: Mmmm, probably twelve.

Danielle: Twelve!?

Grandma: Ha ha ha ha, No I was I was sixteen when I stared dating.

Danielle: Do you remember you first date?

Grandma: You know I can't I think my first day I got stood up. (Laughter) Well because we had just got telephones in and you know it was party line, you know what a party line is don't ya?

Danielle: Ya, when its like every one sharing a line?

Grandma: Ya, and a I was home from school one day and so was my girl friend and we were talking on the phone and we got talking and she said “Are you gonna go to the dance tonight?” And I said “I don’t think so I don’t wanna get my tonsils swabbed!” And so he-

Danielle: Who’s he?

Grandma: I’m not naming any names!

Danielle: Come on grandma who’s he?

Grandma: Ha ha , I’m not naming any names.

Danielle: Were you going ou with him?

Grandma: No he just asked if I might like to go to the dance with him and I said yes.

Danielle: Oh.

Grandma: But the thing if it was he worked for the telephone company and he was listening in on the other end.

Danielle: Ha ha ha what a dork.

Grandma: And he heard me say I don’t wanna get my tonsils swabbed and he never did come to pick me up. (lots of laughter).

Danielle: How did you meet Grandpa?

Grandma: Well I met him when I was in high school, he had gone to the Army-the Airforce, and then he got out of that and came back to finish his high school so he could go to collage and I met him there and I just fell in love with him because he was such a neat dancer.

Danielle: A neat dancer?

Grandma: Oh he was he could dance the neatest and I wanted him to ask me to dance and he was just kinda like ‘who me?’ but I remember that’s were I met him.

Danielle: How long did you know him be for you got married?

Grandma: Oh about Three weeks.

Danielle: Three *weeks*! And then you got Married?

Grandma: Uh-hu

Danielle: Wow! How did he propose to ya?

Grandma: He a he didn't.

Danielle: He didn't!?

Grandma: We decided one night that we were gonna go to Eli Navada and get married and we did.

Danielle: So you like eloped?

Grandma: Ya we eloped.

Danielle: Awesome!!

Grandma: Ya every body thought that I had married his uncle they'd say "that old man? From Ferron!" But that's not the old man.

Danielle: So you guys just like-that's awesome that you eloped. So there was no wedding ceremony or nothing.

Grandma: Nope just me and him and a drunken judge (laughter).

Danielle: What did your parents think about it?

Grandma: They were very upset my mother was in bed for three days.

Danielle: Really? What did your dad say?

Grandma: I don't remember my dad saying anything, probably didn't dare, but you know after they got to know him they loved him and I think that they loved him more than they did me! (laughter)

Danielle: How many children did you guys have all together?

Grandma: We had four, Two boys an two girls. Their Names were Leslie, our oldest girl, Bobbi our youngest girl, then Michael the first- no wait it was Douglas the first boy then Michael the baby boy, two boys and two girls, the two girls were born in October, and the two boys were born in August.

Danielle: Really? Ah I'm an August person I fell very special. Um, do you remember anything when your kids were small that really surprised you?

Grandma: Ya that they survived! (laughter)

Danielle: You don't remember nothing?

Grandma: Well know cause they were- they were good kids, they... when they were young they didn't give me any problems but after they got to be teenagers that drove me up the wall.

Danielle: What is the funniest thing that you remember that one of your kids said or done?

Grandma: Well when Douglas was sick you know he said, he kept on saying that he wanted to go you gotta remember that he was three and he says he wanted to the temple he wanted to go to the temple and we just couldn't figure out why he wanted to go to the temple, then after a while we decided that he wanted to go to Grand Central (laughter).

Danielle: And he just got them mixed up or something?

Grandma: No he just That he kept on saying Grand Central and to us I kept sounding like he was saying Temple.

Danielle: Oh. Um what did you find most difficult about raising kids?

Grandma: Well...don't know it was just...I can't think of any thing that would be difficult about raising kids.

Danielle: What was the most rewarding? Like about being a parent.

Grandma: That they all loved me (laughter) and I loved them.

Danielle: Were you strict?

Grandma: Nooo!

Danielle: Was Grandpa?

Grandma: Nooo! We had our rules, but it wouldn't matter if I was it's not like they listen to me any ways.

Danielle: What was your first job?

Grandma: When I got out of high school?

Danielle: Ya.

Grandma: Well my first job was working at I think a laundry mat and we had to take the sheets in you know put them through the presser and when they were so hot we would fold them, I burnt myself- that lasted about three weeks. and then I worked at Sweets Candy Company and learned how to dip chocolate then let's see then what did I do?

Danielle: Didn't you used to own your own company?

Grandma: Oh ya but this was after I was married and kids were pretty well grown I had my own business in Salt Lake and we were the first Macramé, Needlepoint, Business In Salt Lake other than what they had over at ZCMI's and we had a very successful business.

Danielle: Why did you quit it?

Grandma: Cause everybody got a shop just like ours and it wasn't fun any more. We weren't Unique.

Danielle: I remember you used to give us those little smurf dolls, or something like that. Do you remember?

Grandma: Ya uh-hu, I can't remember where we got the smurf dolls though.

Danielle: I-I remember they were in a box like on the floor, and then we'd like- we went there one day and like they were there and we were playing with them and you were like 'you guys can have one of them' or something like that do you remember that or am I just imagining things?

Grandma: No I remember that and see how good I was.

Danielle: Who was the person that the most positive in flu and on your life? Who were they and what did they do?

Grandma: Well my grandmother had a lot of influence on my life, she's the only one I remember when growing up, my aunt had a lot of influence on my life but she didn't ever know that her name was Aunt Geneva and she lived in Sipeio, and she was the funniest lady that I've ever met and I decided 'That's what I wanna be like' .

Danielle: And you are.

Grandma: Thank-you. My grandma had a good sense of humor to she- I stayed with her, I lived with her for oh...quite a few years I'd just go over there you know stay over there at nights so she wouldn't feel lonely and I did that for a lot of years she'd read me my fortune with tea leafs.

Danielle: Tea leafs? How'd she do that?

Grandma: Oh she made up a lot of it, we'd make some green tea and we'd throw the tea around in a cup and she'd tip it all up side down on the saucer and then she'd tip the cup back up and she'd "oh I see a long journey-" She'd just make up things that when your little thats pretty neat that your grandma reads your- tells your fortune with tea leafs, but she enjoyed that.

Danielle: What advise do you have for your kiss and your grandkids?.

Grandma: What advise did I have?

Danielle: Ya

Grandma: Or do I have for them?

Danielle: Do you, Do you have any advise?

Grandma: I guess not (laughing) I can't think of anything, what good would it do to give any advise any way?

Danielle: Um, do you have any personal hobby now?

Grandma: Now?

Danielle: Ya.

Grandma: Ya I Like To Go Out WEST!!!

Danielle: Oh! Um do you exercise do you do anything?

Grandma: Sure I do.

Danielle: What do ypu do?

Grandma: I exercise on my treadmill my on my...arobic health... you tell me what it is.

Danielle: Health Rider?

Grandma: Ya my Health Rider... And ... I-I exercise ya.

Danielle: Um do you have any bad habits now or in the past?

Grandma: Well I swear (laughter) exsept when a window fall on my foot I don't say anything.

Danielle: You didn't say nothen?

Grandma: Did you hear me say anything?

Danielle: No I just heard the big BOOM!

Grandma: OK. I- ya everbodys gots some kinda habit I didn't ever lie I didn't ever tell stories about people.

Danielle: Did you ever steal?

Grandma: I never stoal, except one time I got accused of stealing, and I didn't steal and I'm hopping that when we're in front of up creator and they say did you steal that ring and I say no and you know it flashes back and that STAKE PRESEDINT will be standing there and say "Oh She didn't steal that ring and here we accused her-"

Danielle: Wait, what happen?

Grandma: Well I went into this little store in Orangeville -k- and you know me I-.

Danielle: Um-hu. How old were you?

Grandma: I'm a Jewelry freak I always have been and so even then.

Danielle: How old were ya?

Grandma: How old was I?

Danielle: Ya.

Grandma: Probably ten or eleven.

Danielle: Oh really? -K- go on.

Grandma: Any way I was just in there looking at the rings and what not, and I never touched a thing, And I got home he had called my mother and dad and said I had stolen a ring and I said I didn't and the didn't believe me the believed him because he was the stake president and I...

Danielle: And they never found anything on ya?

Grandma: Well no!

Danielle: So he just called your house and he was like-

Grandma: He just called and said "your daughter just left my store and she stoled a ring.

Danielle: Well if he thought that why didn't he chase you out then?

Grandma: I don't know. But you know it was just-even now that ring wouldn't be worth more than a dime so it must of been three cents back then. It's one of those things that you know you clamp together that you can size, its something that I'll never forget.

Danielle: Oh... Have you ever been a victim of a crime?

Grandma: Say what?

Danielle: A victim of a crime, have you ever been one?

Grandma: Oh no... Who'd wanna victimize me? (begins to laugh)

Danielle: Um... Have you ever been in a serious accident?

Grandma: Nope.

Danielle: Have you ever saved anybody's life?

Grandma: Well one time I stopped a run away car when I was real little, and there was a little kid in it and they had been playin in it and knocked the gear in to neutral, And it was going back wards down the street and I jumped into it

and put on the brake. I don't know whether I saved their life or not but everybody sure thought I did!! (laughter)

Danielle: How old were ya?

Grandma: I couldn't of been much older than eight or in at that time.

Danielle: And you were like the hero?

Grandma: I was the hero of the day!

Danielle: Um...has anyone ever saved your life?

Grandma: No.

Danielle: Have you ever had surgery?

Grandma: Nothing major.

Danielle: I thought that you had a pin stuck in your arm or something?

Grandma: Oh well ya when I fell and broke both of my wrists they put a pin in my wrist right here but you know when you said surgery I thought you meant heart surgery, or brain surgery but nothing so dramatic.

Danielle: Oh...um...how would you describe your sense of humor?

Grandma: Well I would describe it as annoying and (begins to laugh) but everybody else seems to enjoy it that's when I'm not happy go lucky everybody seems to think I'm mad or I'm sick. So I'm just going to have to be this way for ever! (laughter) And you know I'm OK!

Danielle: What's the funniest practical joke that you've ever played on anyone?

Grandma: I've been trying to think about that one, you know and racking my brain and I can't - we told this one girl though I do remember this and it wasn't funny - well at the time it was funny but you think about it now it wasn't. We told her that if she wanted to join our group of girls that she had to get a moehack-Moehauck hair cut (laughter)

Danielle: Ha ha ha, did she?

Grandma: Well she didn't but you know she was different than the rest of us and we just kinda- I think about that now and I just ya we were really mean to that girl. But I hope I've done enough repenting about it that made up for it in other ways.

Danielle: Did you ever play tricks on your brothers and sisters or anything?

Grandma: Well I took my sisters diary one time and read it and she chased me up main street.

Danielle: How many people were in your family?

Grandma: Hu?

Danielle: How many people were in your family?

Grandma: There was two boys and two girls.

Danielle: Oh.

Grandma: My sister was five years older than me then there was Lloyd and I and then five years later there was my brother and um...we wasn't close enough in age to where we could be you know as close brothers and sisters of course when you're as close as Lloyd and I were we hated each other we've always been in competition for things but-No I don't think that I ever played any tricks on them, My grandmother did though.

Danielle: What did she do?

Grandma: When a grandpa and I got married I brought her over to the house to introduce her and I warned grandpa about grandma. Grandma has this poo-poo cushion.(laughter).

Danielle: What's that?

Grandma: A poo-poo cushion? its where you rub a cushion and you blow it up with air and you stick it underneath the cushion on the couch and then you sit down and it sounded like they had bad gas.

Danielle: Oh, kind of like a whoopee cushion?

Grandma: Yeah, that's the same same thing.

Danielle: Oh.

Grandma: And anyway, she got grandpa really good with that poo-poo cushion.

Danielle: What did she do?

Grandma: She set it down underneath there and then he set on the arm of the chair like this and was sitting there, and I was sitting on the edge of the cushion and I got up and he just kind of slid down and as he slid down he hit the cushion and grandma says: "we have waited for an hour for him to sit on that cushion." And she just laughed and laughed and laughed and laughed and laughed till tears were streaming down from her eyes and grandpa said, "Lloyal warned me about that." (Laughter) But she got him good.

Danielle: umm...have you ever been hospitalized?

Grandma: Just when I had my hysterectomy, when I had my foot operated on. And...that's about it. and when I had my kids.

Danielle: When you were a kid did you, like, ever, like, break any bones or anything?

Grandma: I never did, never broke a bone.

Danielle: Did you ever have to get stitches?

Grandma: Nope.

Danielle: Umm... What was like one the funniest things you did when you were a kid? Do you remember?

Grandma: What? funniest?

Danielle: Funniest.

Grandma: I guess just hanging around with my girlfriends and playing on the bars up at the school. And going swimming in the creek. that was our swimming hole.

Danielle: Was your guyses little group besides the streetwalkers, did you guys like ever have a name for yourselves.

Grandma: Did we have any what?

Danielle: Did you guys like have a name for yourselves?

Grandma: Like the walking gang or something?(laughter.)

Danielle: Yeah!

Grandma: No. No, 'cause we-you know we never considered ourselves walking the streets. We were just walking from one house to the other.

Danielle: What did you do when you picked everybody up?

Grandma: We didn't ,we just walked. we'd go to church, at a Sunday school, Then we'd have like four or five hours before Sacrament meeting. So we'd just go from one house to the other and then it would be time to go to sacrament meeting. Then we'd go to sacrament meeting and then we'd just all go our separate ways...Next?

Danielle: Um...have you ever seen a ghost?

Grandma: Have I ever seen a ghost?

Danielle: Yeah.

Grandma: Yes. I've seen lots of ghosts, and yes I believe in UFO's.

Danielle: You do?

Grandma: Yes I do.

Danielle: Have you seen one?

Grandma: I haven't but I've... I know to many people that have seen them...that wouldn't say they have if they hadn't. I mean it's just natural that theres life on other planets.

Danielle: Tell me about one of your experiences with ghosts.

Grandma: Well Douglas has been a ghost to us, when we were living in Salt Lake you know after he died we knew he was there and we... I never seen him

in ghost like form but I've seen him bolt from room to room you know I would see a streak...you know we'd just...I don't know who else saw it I know your mom did, but... we just knew it was Douglas and it made sense to me.

Danielle: Did he ever talk to ya?

Grandma: ...Once. And that was it.

Danielle: What'd he say?

Grandma: He just... oh I can remember...that he loves me.

Danielle: How'd it happen? Were you like laying there in bed or something?

Grandma: I was down stairs uh I was folding cloths, and I was just thinking about him cause he'd only been... gone for like a year...and uh...I just I heard this 'I love you' and nobody else was around, and I was the only one in the house at the time and I didn't have the radio on, the TV on, just a 'I love you' .

Danielle: Wow...

Grandma: OK now that I 've go goose bumps (begging to laugh).

Danielle: Um...what did you and grandpa do for you honey moon?

Grandma: Well lets see we went to Ellee and got married and then we stayed the night in Ellee and and then we came back back and Grandpa went back to Logan to collage, to school to finish his final exam. (laughter) And so we didn't do much.

Danielle: Well weren't you guys-didn't you guys get married in the temple later on or what?

Grandma: Oh ya we did.

Danielle: Or did you wait till you whole family was-

Grandma: No, we got married in the temple when... your mother was...which ever was- I'm blank I just can't...

Danielle: Was Uncle Douglas born by then?

Grandma: Uncle-ya Douglas was a like about two... when we went through...so your mother would of been six, Aunt Leslie eight.

Danielle: Did you like school when you were a kid?

Grandma: Some days I did um grade school was like um...well it was-nothen fun about going to school, you know nobody -every thing was just striked... you'd go in and you'd sit down and you'd shut-up.

Danielle: Did you go to one of those school houses where every body attended the exact same room?

Grandma: No differant rooms. But I remembered the Superattendant would come to school man that was just like the prison warded commin'. He never smiled you know and you just shook in you shoes! Then when I got in high school things kinda ahh loosened up a bit and you could kinda clown around with the teachers but...no I did not enjoy school.

Danielle: Did you get good grades?

Grandma: I got average grades back then you had to be somebody if your dad was a coal miner then you weren't somebody but if he was a coal miner and a *rancher* the you were somebody.

Danielle: What was your dad?

Grandma: My dad was a coal miner. I'm a coal miners daughter-and I didn't write the song-no I ... (laughter). No but it was just you know just depended on the teacher liked ya than you got good grades and I worked hard I-I did I worked every bit as hard as anybody eles and my tests and every thing were a OK bggut if they didn't think you were sombody you didn't get any thing higher than a'B'.

Danielle: That's rude...did you go to collage?

Grandma: No.

Danielle: Oh.

Grandma: I went there visiting does that count? (laughter) I visited a collage once.(more laughter)

Danielle: I don't know...

Grandma: I-went to beuty-I went to modeling school does that count!?

Danielle: You did!?

Grandma: Yes. This modleing school paid my way.

Danielle: Cause you were so pretty?

Grandma: I was so pretty ya, I had pretty straight teeth and I had a beautiful smile so they put me through modeling school.

Danielle: How come you didn't become a Model?

Grandma: Well, I guess I just couldn't get the swing of the walk (laughter) I don't know it just never interested me I just went so I could- you know I could pick up some pointers on how-how I should wear my hair and how I should do my make-up, what kinda cloths and that I-I really wasn't interested in making it a career.

Danielle: Did they give you free cloths and stuff?

Grandma: No.

Danielle: Oh. I would fell ripped off.

Grandma: No. This was when your mom and Leslie were little.

Danielle: Really!?

Grandma: After I was married yes. I was still pretty after I was married.

Danielle: Oh... No just kidden. What they just came up to you and just asked you if you wanted to go to Beauty school or what?

Grandma: Ya. Well I had-we a- we lived in a house and there was an apartment underneath in the basement of the house and she is the one that had the

modeling agency, and so she asked me if I would be interested and Grandpa said it was OK and so I said sure.

Danielle: Man that would be so cool, I'd be like 'Ah I'm pretty!'

Grandma: Didn't get me to talk any different though, I still have that Twang-Emery County Twang (laughter).

Danielle: Don't you think it's weird that you grew up- you and Grandpa grew up in Emery County and like now Mom and Dad live in Emery County? Don't you think that's weird?

Grandma: Ya, cuz when Douglas was sick Leslie and Bobbi, your mom went to stay with Grandma and Grandpa Moffit and they went to school there we'd taken Douglas to Cleavlened, Ohio or something like that and we took him into Teawann, Mexico and so they stayed in Orangeville, Leslie loved it! Your mother hated it from day one. She did not like it down there she did not like the school down there and now she's down there .

Danielle: She loves it, she always goes 'I'll never move back to the city!'

Grandma: Oh I know. But you know she really did have her own fantasy.

Danielle: She would like tell us like about picked apricots or something and how she hated that.

Grandma: Oh ya grandma too keep 'em busy she'd tell them to go out and pick up all the apricots off the ground and Bobbi hated to do it because they were gooey and-

Danielle: And now she doesn't like them.

Grandma: And now she doesn't eat them ahhh. (laughter)

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My Grandma is an amazing woman that I have known all my life. She's funny, smart, and takes very well care of things. My Grandma Hunter is my mother's mom, and has been a wonderful mother from the start. She has lived many places, and is currently living in Castle Dale, Utah. I can remember plenty of times going to grandmas and the adventures my sisters and I would have. The wonderful overnights and the yummy breakfast in the morning. She is great, so sweet, and has an amazing sense of humor.

Megan: Ok, where were you born?

Grandma: April 6, 1937

Megan: where were you born?

Grandma: I was born across the crick in what was grandmas old house... my grandmas house. We lived there for... I don't know... I was knee-high to a grasshopper when we moved back into town... That's where I was born.

Megan: Was it like in Orangeville?

Grandma: Oh, yes in Orangeville, Utah. (Cough Cough)

Megan: Are you... of course your married.

Grandma: Of Course I'm married... 50 YEARS!

Megan: uh...um... ok talk about grandpa. It asks where he was born

Grandma: Grandpa?

Megan: Yeah.

Grandma: uh he was born in Ferron in a little log cabin up the Canyon. Uh he was born September...

Mom: wasn't he born in Amber's house?

Grandma: no...uh 1930. uh... then they moved down into town. Then when his mom and dad died, or when his mother died they went to live with grandma Nelson in Ferron

Megan: (cough) um ok you have children so,

Grandma: Yes I had four. Awh the dates..

Megan: eh just give me the names.

Grandma: Our oldest daughter Leslie was born October....where's my calendar... 27 1956, and then our other daughter Bobbi was born October 6, 1958, and then our son Douglas was born

Mom: August.. wasn't it sixth, fourth

Grandma: the fourth of August (cough cough)

Mom: don't ask me the year

Grandma: eh he past away when he was three and a half. Um. And then Michael, our other son, was born August the the...

Mom: wasn't it the 14th

Grandma: 14th.. he's what 40? 35?

Mom: He's 37

Grandma: oh excuse me, he's 37, so I don't know when he was born.

Megan: hahaha.. that's good.

Grandma: It racks my brain to hard, I've got a head ache

Megan: hahahaha

Grandma coughs

Megan: um... what kind of work did you do? Or do you do.. or yeah?

Grandma: have you done...

Megan: have you done.

Grandma: Well, when I was little I babysat. 10 cents an hour. Uh. When I got married I stayed home and raised my kids until they were gone.. oh first of all I had my own business it was a needle point shop. I had that for about five six years. Sold that then I became a cook at the school, no I was cashier, that's better than a cook

We all giggle a little.

Grandma: (cough) my mother was a cook, I guess that's who we got it from. Then I worked at Maverick (cough cough) and um. And I retired and I don't work anymore.

Megan: Um.... Ok what was your fathers full name? Talk about him

Grandma: George Leslie Moffett

Megan: Ok, Then what kind of work did he do?

Grandma: He worked in the Coal mine, and he tried to do a little farming. Didn't turn out to well. (Cough, cough).

Megan: Did he live in Orangeville, like the whole time his whole life?

Grandma: Uh...no he was born in uh... yeah he was born in Orangeville.. and he lived in Orangeville... all of his mar-all of his life...

Megan: What was your mother's full name?

Grandma: Ellowies Childs Moffett... and she was born in Orangeville. In a little old house..(cough) it was up from the house that I was born in across the crick. Its since been torn down and the subdivisions there

Megan: What do you remember about the house you grew up in?

Grandma: I remember more about grandma's old house than I do our house. Grandmas house had a big tree out in front with a swing and we use to swing in that swing for hours and hours. We lived just up.. there was a field between us and grandmas. And I just remember grandma

cooking for the thrashers. Poor darling she cooked on 110 day..degree day, and she'd cook on a hot stove fix dinner for I don't know how many thrashers that they had, but she worked, worked her TAIL off.

Megan: hehehehe.

Grandma (cough cough) and that's all I remember about.. I really don't remember our house except after we moved into town. Grandma moved into that house, and I use to stay with her, and one night I was in the bathroom and I looked up and this kid was peering through the bathroom window. I will never forget that.. It scared me to death.

Megan: uh yeah... um...how is it different from the housing you live in today?

Grandma: Well for one thing it didn't have a furnace we it was all (cough cough) cold stove. And we had to heat our water on the stove, or by the stove.. We had a... but anyways it had a, what the call a well on the side of it.. put your cold water in there and the heat stove would heat that up. And that's how we'd take our baths, take it in and fill the tub.. Very interesting. I would hate to do that today. I don't think I would even take a bath

Megan: Hehe

Grandma: (cough cough) ok next question

Megan: What do you remember about the town or community where you grew up?

Grandma: Well I don't think the towns changed much its still small still nit picky people but all the people I knew. I wish they were still alive now, because Dan and I are celebrating our 50th anniversary, and because we didn't get married in the temple, the feeding was "it'll never last" and the told me this to my face. "It Will Never Last." And I wanna go up to this people see see see it did last it does, it has lasted. That's all I remember about it there were good times, fun times, but complaint was just the people. Next question.

Megan: uh.. What are some of your favorite family stories that include your siblings or your parents?

Grandma: (cough cough) uh.. I'll have to think about that one. My sister always would come in after I would go to bed and put her cold feet on me

Megan: hahaha

Grandma: just because she was cold, and her feet would just be like ice cubes, and I'd scream and holler at momma. Momma would come running upstairs. "What's going on?" "Katharine put her cold feet on me." (cough cough). And then my brother chased me up the stairs one day with a dead fish.

Megan: AWH!!!!

Grandma: and... oh ... and I can't .. and I've never did like fish, and now it's even worse today. They'd catch the fish down in the creek and bring it up and momma would cook it and that's what they would eat.

Megan: that's wrong

Grandma: One time, my sister came home from a date very quietly, so she didn't wake mom and daddy. Lloyd was up at the top of the stairs and yelled: "THE INDIANS ARE COMING THE INDIANS ARE COMING", hehehe... Katherine fell down the stairs.. CLUNK CLUNK CLUNK CLUNK... woke up mom and daddy (cough cough)... he thought that was so funny... hehe...

Megan: haha Um...Name and describe some of the games you played at a child.

Grandma: Oh, Hopscotch, jump the rope, we used to play on the jungle gym up at grade school, but it wasn't really a jungle gym it was like the fence around the school... I don't know how to describe it, but anyway, like pipe. And we'd sit there and do our twirls on the thing... and our...

our heads came so close to the ground that it... its funny that we didn't get a... hit a rock or something and get a head concussion. Oh we useta play ball out in the.... To the side of the building. Its where the school is today, but it was different. They remodeled it, tore down a lot of it. Had big chairs out in front it was pretty much cool.

Megan: hmmm... uh.. do you have any favorite hobbies? And who taught them to you?

Grandma: Well, I like to quilt, and, I tried crochet, tried to tat. I never got a hang of the tatting.

My mother was a gor-beautiful tater. Beautiful. Could quilt. She and the ladies would get together. I remember that..having that... our front room full of ladies around the quilt.. and uh.. I useta do a lot. Wall hangings. That all goes by with age...

Megan: Do you remember any stories that were told to you as a child?

Grandma: HORROR stories.. I don't remember any good stories. I can't remember any.. any stories. Oh im sure I was told stories I just can't remember them. See how that stayed with me? hehehe

Megan: heheh.. um.... Uh do you know any one who sang

Grandma: Who sings?

Megan: yeah sang. I'm guessing back when you were younger.

Grandma: Do I remember anyone who sang. I useta sing, my sister useta sing, my dad useta sing he had a beautiful tenor voice. Gorgeous, we all sang in the choir, we all had some pretty voice, and that's gone by the way with age.. hehehe (cough)

Megan: hehe... uh what type of songs did you sing. Like choir? Like church?

Grandma: church songs mostly. Yeah. I remember Katherine had to sing at Aunt Dorthy and Uncle Laurie's 50 wedding Anniversary and she sang (she sings) "Oh how we danced the night

we were wed.” And then Aunt Dorthy and Uncle Laurie got up and danced to it. Oh it was so neat.

Megan: OH cute

Megan: Um... Do you remember being sick as a kid?

Grandma: Yes I do! I always remember being sick anything else I can't remember. I remember having um.... Dramatic Fever, and I missed so much school, I had but not.. not a really bad case of it but I have Dramatic Fever, and they were afraid they were going to have to hold me back. And I cried and cried and cried.. No I didn't wanna do that because I had a twin brother and he'd be ahead of me and I didn't want people to think I was stupid... Dumb.. so they didn't hold me back. Thank goodness. And that's about the only thing I remember.. oh I remember I hadda be off salt. But anyway they gave me this medicine to take. And every time my mother would come to give me that medicine I would run. I mean it was.. oh it tasted just so.... Oh it tasted so bad.. it was.. uh. Black like thick black syrup. Oh it was the most horrible tasting stuff and I just.. I couldn't take it. And I can't remember what I was taking it for but boy I remember that.. what ever it was I had I never got it again. Even if I was sick as a dog with is I was FINE. (cough cough).

Megan: Did your family ever use any homemade remedies?

Grandma: Oh mother did all the time. put a rag around our necks with vix. I had ear aches it felt like there was a butterfly in there. Ya know it hurt. She got a flashlight and was looking down my ear and couldn't see anything, so she put some eardrop medicine in there and I about come unglued. I don't know what was wrong with my ears but yeah it was homemade ear medicine (cough cough) I hope you can't tell im coughing all the time we may haveta do this over again.

Megan: do you use any of the things that your mom used today? Like the medicines and stuff?

Grandma: Nah, No. thank goodness there's miracle drugs..

Megan: Hahahaha

Grandma: hahaha (cough cough)

Megan: Do you remember any saying or beliefs concerning the weather, good luck, bad luck, dreams, marriage?

Grandma: All I remember was my dad said: "Not going to do anything but the winds going to blow." And I agree with him, the wind does blow a lot.

Megan: what was the most valuable thing your parents or other adult told you about getting along with life?

Grandma: Haveta think about that one. Hmmm... OH just be a good girl be a very good girl. And I was. I was a very good girl after I got married than I was before. I gave my mother and dad a lot of head aches. Had the sheriff down at my .. front door couple, three times. But I turned out ok. I turned ok I was a good girl, I was a good daughter. You can.. Now that they're dead you can ask them.. hahahaha (cough cough)

Megan: hahahah what are some of the things you remember about school?

Grandma: Well I think I've just kinda put school outta my mind. I can't remember anything. Cuz.. nothing happened to me. so I can't remember school. But my girlfriend boy she can she can remember guys that would come over from price, they'd be total strangers. She can remember their names and what they did. But do you think she can remember anything from our class. She can't she can't remember.. I'll talk about Pete Jones. And she'll say Who's Pete Jones? Hell he was just the biggest clown in the class. (cough cough) Next question.

Megan: Um.. What was the most amazing thing you have ever seen?

Grandma: Boy, Winning the Jack pot at wendover! Hahahahh

Megan: YEAH! Hahaha

Grandma: heheh that was amazing. OH.. awh not much.. I can't remember anything amazing.. the birth of a child, I guess. I was kinda grossed out

Megan: hehehehhe

Grandma: pinch with my fingers.. oh so cute give me that baby.

Megan: hehehehe

Grandma: hehehehhe

Megan: Uh... what historical events do remember?

Grandma: I remember when World War II? Or the Corrine War ended. We were driving to Price, there was my mother, my dad, myself and somebody else, and when we heard on the radio that the war was over, daddy stopped the car, and we all got out and hugged and clapped and kissed, got back into the car and went on into price.

Megan: hahahahaha

Grandma: hehehehhe (cough cough)

Megan: Uh.. Um... What were some of the special occasions in your family or community?

Grandma: What now?

Megan: What were some of the special occasions in your family or community? What did you do maybe back--

Grandma: Oh we always had family reunion.. and they were. It was a big thing. All my grandmas side of the family. And her aunts. I mean my Aunts and my Uncles. People we hadn't seen for years and years. And I remember that family reunion. Oh, they were marvelous. I guess that's why I like reunions today. Nobody cares today like they did yesterday. (cough cough)

Megan: hmmm What did you do for like holidays and stuff?

Grandma: OH we useta go up the canyon by Joes Valley, before they had Joes Valley go down on the desert and party down there, and party up the canyon, party in the back yard. We always celebrated the holidays. Had a good time.

Megan: Where did your ancestors come from?

Grandma: Well, some of them came from Manti, some of them Sipieo, some of them from Nesac, and my grandmother great, came across the plains from where I don't know, but they are all from America I think.

Megan: hmmm... Did you ever travel anywhere go on vacations where you were a kid?

Grandma: No, but we useta take our kids and go up to Yellowstone, we went to Disney Land oh yes I went to Disney Land. But no not as a kid. My mother and dad went on a trip to California and took my brother with them. I had to stay home. So, when they were gone, I had long, when they were one I had my hair cut. My mother brought the prettiest barrettes for my long hair, hehehe (cough). I said that'll teach ya to leave me alone.. hehehhe

Megan: hahahah that's funny. HmMMM....

Grandma coughs

Megan: Did your parents have any hobbies that they did or cool things that they did?

Grandma: Oh yeah, my mother quilted, she was a fantastic quilter. Fast! She'd put a quilt on in the morning, and have it done that night.

Megan: Wow!

Grandma: It'd be a big quilt. I remember her putting the binding on. She'd cut the material the.. so it would stretch. Sewed it together and well she was just meticulous with her quilting, and she

tated and she didn't do much crocheting... Oh she did crocheting, she didn't do much hand work, whatever you call it. What do you call it?

Megan: Um... Cross stitching?

Grandma: Yeah cross stitching but they didn't do cross stitching in those days.

Megan: Well I don't know then.

Grandma: (cough cough) Embroidery

Megan: Ah yeah

Megan: Uh... I don't know.. um.... What are some of the things that you did as a teenagers?

Grandma: Oh ah you don't wanna know sweetheart

Megan: I don't?

Grandma: NOOOOOOO..... Oh I took the car one time I wasn't aloud to drive it very much cuz they didn't know where I'd end up. Well, I took it one time, took my girlfriends and we ended up in emery.

Megan: hehehehe

Grandma: I was only suppose to go to the store. You know how far the store is from my house.

Take me about ten minutes. I was gone for HOURS.. I got told about it when I got home, but we had fun anyways

Megan: hahahahah

My mother, Bobbi Brown, is an amazing person who has done much with her life. She has lived in only a couple places, and has made the best of each. She currently lives in Ferron, Utah. She is a wonderful mother, grandmother, and just all around great gal. She's an amazing

teacher and I've learned a lot from her. She sets an awesome example, and is just one of those mothers that always knows what is right. She is an amazing woman.

Megan: Ok, What is your full name?

Mom: Bobbi Lee Hunter Brown

Megan: Do you have any nick names?

Mom: in high school my friends would call me Bob, or Bobbet, or Bobbi lee from Kalamazie or Bobbi lou from Kalamazou.

Megan: Where do you live?

Mom: In Ferron Utah

Megan: Have you ever lived anywhere else?

Mom: I grew up in Salt Lake, once I moved to Cedar City, when your dad and I got married we moved to Kerns, then we moved to Ferron, then we moved to Kemmerer, then we moved back to Ferron.

Megan: Have you traveled anywhere?

Mom: Uh, we went to Washington and South Dakota and I've been to Colorado, Idaho, California, Nevada.

Megan: Where was your favorite place?

Mom: South Dakota

Megan: Why?

Mom: Because of the.....hahah... what's the monument out there?

Megan: Crazy horse

Mom: Crazy horse and