

Oral History Interview Questions

1. What is your age or date of birth?
2. Please give your parents' full names.
3. As if it were yesterday, please remember Ben and Laura's "home place" at 1212 Phoenix; imagine you are a youngster, standing facing the house from the front gate, what would you see?
4. If you remember the inside of the house, which room was your favorite and why?
5. How often did you and your family visit Ben and Laura? Did you live nearby?
6. Think of a favorite toy/treasure/pet at Ben and Laura's home, that you wanted or liked to play with, and tell us about it.
7. Which Uncles and Aunts do you remember most vividly from your visits to Ben and Laura's home?
8. Which cousins did you visit with most frequently at Ben and Laura's?
9. Tell us what jobs you remember Ben and Laura having.
10. Can you remember stories Ben told and share them with us?
11. Can you remember stories Laura told and share them with us?
12. Which members of Ben's family do you remember meeting/visiting with?
13. Which members of Laura's family do you remember meeting/visiting with?
14. Do you remember your dad serving in WWII? If "no". No further questions.
15. Do you remember your dad serving in WWII? If yes, please answer the following:
16. What branch did he serve in and where was he stationed?
17. Do you recall letters, stories, trips to visit him? Please share.
18. As a child, what, if anything, did you know of Cal Whitson?
19. Is there anything about Ben, Laura, your parents, or Cal that you would like to add for the archive?