## UPPER PENINSULA ORAL HISTORY PROJECT

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## INTERVIEW'S NOTES AND COMMENTS

CORRASABLE

Married in 1907 Eagle - taught husband blacksmithing Leo Kulkie - Communist (delete) Nephew, Carl Dyberg, wife Myrtle Laverne - niece Britz family Miss Gleason - teacher Spouse died 1954 Haverman LaBombard Noise of door slamming Talking and laughing in the background

## INTERVIEWER'S COMMENTS

Memoir

<u>Martha Johnson</u> (narrator's name)

The interview took place in the kitchen of the home of Mrs. Johnson's daughter, Dorothy Ontto where Mrs. Johnson resides. The home in on a road off of the main highway M-35 in McFarland, Michigan. The area is very quiet as there is only one other home within a mile radius. Mrs. Johnson sat in a chair between her daughter Dorothy and I.

Martha Johnson is 90 years old and in good health except for a hearing problem. Unless spoken directly to and at a loud pitch, she could not understand the question. She has been a widow for 27 years and living with Mrs. Ontto's family for the past 15 years. She talked alot about family members and showed me many pictures of children, grandchildren, sisters, and brothers.

Mrs. Johnson has a sharp memory about events except that dates confused her or she could not remember them at all. Her specific details about the food during the war and depression were very vivid.

<u>April 10, 1981</u> (date) Sharon E. Vella (interviewer's name)