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HOWARD TELLS OF HIS EARLY LIFE AND TRAINING BY HIS GRANDMOTHER

(I'm here at Roman Nose State Park with Howard Goodbear and Clinton Youngbear. They're both on the Cheyenne-Arapaho Council. We're going to do a little visiting about anything that they want to talk about. And we'll start off with Howard and Howard, I just want you to start off and say where you were born and when, and who your parents were, just start talking about some of your early life that you remember and come right on up with it, some of the things that happened to the Cheyenne people. And as you go along if you want to interrupt it with some thoughts as you go along why it's all right. If you will go ahead and identify yourself and about your parents, anything about the history and how you relate to other people.

Howard-- I was born in summer of 1928. My father was Charlie Goodbear and my mother was Helen Goodbear.

(What was your mother's maiden name?)

Helen Tobacco. And I was born, the same year as my dad died, in 1928, and my grandmother took me when I was just a real young kid, and she raised me. She was about 60 years old or so, and she raised me. We lived out here in the country, 'bout three and a half miles out of town. I remember when she'd tell me that everytime everybody went to town, I didn't care to go to town, and I'd just stay at home all the time, and I just wasn't interested in going to town. And she was always telling me that I wasn't like my brothers, I didn't ask for anything. Whenever she got money, everybody else wanted her to buy them things, but she said I was always the one that was quiet