

INFORMANT: ANGIE BARNES, OSAGE
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BRIEF INTRODUCTION

(This is 1968. I am Katherine Maker, field worker for the American Indian Institute for the University of Oklahoma. We are in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Barnes of Hominy, Oklahoma. I am interviewing Mrs. Angie Malone Barnes.)

EARLY LIFE OF INFORMANT

My name is Angie Malone Barnes. I am a full blood Osage Indian. I am 43 years of age. I have been married 25 years and have 5 children. I have 2 grandsons. My two older daughters are both married and living away from home. I was born in Pawhuska, Oklahoma, Osage County, in 1925. Both my parents died when I was a small child. I knew neither parent. I was raised by an uncle and his wife. My earliest years, we lived in the country near Shidler, Oklahoma. And I started to school there at the age of five. It was a small rural school, a one room school. It had from 1 to the 10th grade. We had double seats and rode horses to and from school. At about the age of seven we moved back to Pawhuska, Oklahoma, and there I attended public school up until the ninth grade. And then I went to Catholic boarding schools in Kansas from the ninth through the 12th grade. And then I came home and it was during the war years. My three brothers were all in the service. And it was lonely. And I wanted to have a home, home of my own. And a home where my brothers could come, I felt. So I married at the age of 17. I married Jerome Barnes, also a full blood Osage Indian. We went to California during these years as my husband was not eligible for the service.