

Hughes and Tuner, went to Nuyaka and Bessie went to Eufaula boarding school.

I went to Jefferson Davis, Louise Deere Home. I stayed there and Hannah stayed there and I went to school with Loney Givens. I didn't stay there much. Bessie died with TB, my father too. I got sick and they sent me to Arizona and I stayed there five years. I guess I got all right--I'm here now.

(What was your father's name?)

Mitchell Saswanokee. Bessie Saswanokee, Hannah was my half sister. Jonah, Lucy, Joe, were my half brother and sisters. They were his first wife's kids. They all died, but just me and Hannah.

(What grade did you get to?)

I didn't get but 3rd grade. Didn't even finish that. I stayed in Arizona long as I run temperature. They sure use to weigh you. I stayed 3 years, come back, and went back two more years. I married Quinata's father.

(Did you remember the times, back in those days, Indians used to help one another?)

Yes. Mama used to go help everytime someone called, and when someone was going have baby, they'd call her. Those days all the older women use to go see about sick, have service, men and women, they help each others hoe the garden too. They help cut wood for each other. That's the way Indians were. My mother used to go a lot and help neighbors.

(Was she kind of Indian doctor?)

Yes, she doctored people for headaches, she gathered roots and herbs for medicine. She didn't charge high like they're doing now. They used to give her \$1.00 or materials those days. She doctored toothache, earache. She prick their headache, with broken colored bottle, sharp edge. She use to just barely touch their head, made them bleed. (she motions with her hand.), for high blood pressure.

(Did it help them?)

I guess so, they said it quit and when they have headache again, they came back.