

Since 1947. I am now a Deacon.

(What grade did you get to in school?)

I got to 6th grade and then I went in service.

(Were your parents Christian too.)

Yes. They belong to Presbyterian Church.

(Did you ever have enjoyment when you was a little boy?)

Yes, I use to hunt. There used to be a river by our house. I killed rabbits, black birds, that's how we got our meat and we used to pick wild onions.

WENT TO STOMP DANCES FOR PLEASURE

(Did you ever have fun going to dance or stomp dance?)

Yes, I use to go stomp dance and I use to go to most all of them. I didn't hardly miss any of them. I would talk to it, dance all night and walk back.

I use to be in stick ball games. We played stick ball games with women. I guess I could still be going but I quit all that.

(What was the purpose of your going to stomp dance, was it for medicine or for pleasure?)

Just for pleasure, I guess, cause I didn't take part in medicine. Some people says its sacred but I believe it's on individual or personal opinion. My parents use to go to Ocheesee stomp dance and they camp there. That was long time ago. They camped about a week, maybe three days and I thought that was it but I found out different and I was converted.

NEIGHBORS HELPED EACH OTHER

(Back in younger days, did Indians use to visit one another and helped each other?)

Yes. When we use to live by Wewoka our neighbors use to come over and stay a day or two and when they would go home, my folks use to give them a canned goods or slice of meat. That was love. If we go to their homes, they would treat us same way but now its not like that anymore. I don't think I ever stayed all night with my own sister.