

come home and rested that night. And that was the day they buried my father. You know, them days, they didn't embalm people. Them days, whenever someone died they used to have to put 'em away just as quick as they could. So, he died Christmas day about 1:00 or 2 o'clock. And the next day after that why they buried him. I guess they got the casket at Eufaula. Got him ready that evening, Next day they buried him. And so the next evening, late in the evening, Clyde Beaver and them they drove up. Come to see how he was getting along. They hadn't heard even that he had died. We was just fixing to eat supper. It was just sundown. Just beginning to get dark. They drove up and we went out there to meet 'em. Clyde Beaver said how's the old man? (Creek words) Mary said, (words in Creek) Oh, Clyde Beaver just bawled just like he was whipped. He just cried and got off the wagon. Cried and went through the house, seen he wasn't there. Begin to get dark then. Mary said supper is ready now. You all eat. (words in Creek) He got through first and he went on outside. After we got through, we heard him way over there at the cemetery. Cemetery was across the creek. We heard Clyde was over there at the cemetery, crying. Just loud as he could cry. (Creek) There wasn't no one had went and told 'em. No one didn't know nothing about it. They had all night sit-up. The next day, they dismissed. They never had got the news yet. That's how much, how much love they had for one another. So Violet- they never did get to see him.

(Talking about love. Did you all used to visit one another back in those days?)

Oh yeah. They used to visit one another weekends. And church, church meetings--them days they just had meeting on fourth Sunday, meeting at churches and they'd visit one another. Like Big Arbor, I remember they just have fourth Sunday meeting once a month. Other three weeks why they'd visit other churches. Other churches would come to Big Arbor. So, that's the way they used to visit. So, that's the reason Clyde Beaver was at Big Arbor. Every church meeting, he never did miss that fourth Sunday meeting, him and his family. Big Arbor now didn't have