

- 1 DP: Yeah I can still remember when your dad used to come and pick me up
on [Saturday]
- 2 Ron: [Yes]
- 3 DP: night, nothing like 2 o'clock. You know how they used to have dances
and stuff late [at night]
- 4 BJ: [Mm hmm.]
- 5 DP: on Saturday nights? Well... I worked, and he was real patient. He used
to come and pick me up nothing like 2 o'clock in the morning.
- 6 BJ: She- (sheesh).
- 7 DP: But anyhow, my husband had a real good friend.
- 8 BJ: Mm hmm.
- 9 DP: Well at that time... I was going with another fellow, that very time, this
is a true story.
- 10 BJ: Mm hmm.
- 11 DP: And this Rich Straley... and uh... he worked at the uh, I forget where he
worked... oh he worked at Union railroad and I was going with a fellow by
the name of Bob Marx. And anyhow... he got my cousin to interfere, and
broke up this other fellow going with me, and... pushed Larry in. And that's
how it started.
- 12 BJ: They didn't like the first guy, or?
- 13 DP: Huh?
- 14 BJ: They, because she didn't like the first guy, or?
- 15 DP: Oh no she liked, uh, she liked him. But uh... I guess this was, uh, Rich
Straley was a good, real good friend of theirs, and they thought well let's...
- 16 BJ: Mm hmm.
- 17 DP: So that's how that happened.
- 18 BJ: Mm hmm.
- 19 DP: I was going with this other fellow at that time.
- 20 BJ: You, did you speak Italian?
- 21 DP: No, maybe I can understand it though? [But...]
- 22 BJ: [Mm hmm.]
- 23 DP: See my dad used to... talk to us more or less in English. But my mother,
well, she'd try to say a few words but she'd say Italian and English together,
so...
- 24 BJ: Mm hmm.
- 25 DP: She tried, but uh, but I never bothered, you know, speaking back in
Italian. Just maybe one or two words, just one [word of yes,] or you know,
- 26 BJ: [Mm hmm.]
- 27 DP: like that.
- 28 BJ: Mm hmm.
- 29 DP: [But] not for conversation, no, I couldn't do it.
- 30 DP: You know things are done different. You know, they cook differently on
some of the meals.
- 31 DP: Comes what but, two or three times a year?

32 Ron: Yeah, but couple times a year.
33 DP: The holidays and during the summer. He comes at least a- three times a year.
34 BJ: Does he call, does he call on the phone often?
35 DP: Oh absolutely, every week. He does. I have to say that.
36 BJ: Mm hmm. How many grandkids do you have? [2?]
37 DP: [4]
38 BJ: 4 all together?
39 DP: 4: 2, 2
40 BJ: Mm hmm.
41 DP: One girl, only. [Thank...]
42 BJ: [Oh!]
43 DP: Connie we love you.
44 All: ((laughing))
45 DP: And the uh three boys. They're very nice, too. Very nice.
46 BJ: What does Dennis do? What's, what is his work?
47 DP: He teaches at Clemson University. Am I right? Wrong?
48 Ron: He's a professor.
49 DP: He's a professor there.
50 BJ: Hmm.
51 DP: And we usually eat up here at Ron's place when they come.
52 BJ: Mm hmm.
53 DP: We usually have dinner up at his... big dinner
54 Ron: She makes the sauce.
55 DP: I cook.
56 Ron: She brings the sauce.
57 DP: That's all right.
58 DP: Oh yeah, I got uh one more sister. One just passed away two weeks ago, three weeks ago.
59 BJ: Oh, I'm sorry to hear that.
60 DP: And brothers? I have one brother also living...
61 BJ: Mm hmm.
62 DP: and two have passed away.
63 DP: Absolutely. As long as I, how long I'm living there? What, since 1950?
64 Ron: Mm hmm.
65 DP: And I've known my neighbor across the street. Well she ca- (came) moved in, I think, a couple years [after me, Ron.]
66 Ron: [Later, right.]
67 DP: Well yeah, they had more children at that time. And, and some like the Delanos have moved away. And that one, they had 5, or 6, children. And they've moved. And, in fact, she has passed away [in the] meanwhile.
68 Ron: [Right.]
69 BJ: Mm hmm.
70 DP: And uh, some of the others are moved away. You know, the kids got older, and they got married, and...
71 BJ: Mm hmm.

72 DP: You know, new, new people live on the street.
73 DP: They'd set up card par-, uh, card tables on the porch, and they'd play p-,
cards. Just take care of the house, and... then I'd go and relax. You know.
74 DP: I wouldn't say I was real ac- (active), years way back, [you know...]
75 Ron: [You used to be]
very active.
76 DP: When we had the church closer to where I lived, I used to go down quite
a bit. But now... I have to have a car, somebody to take me up there. So I
wouldn't say I'm... Now he, Ron is, he's active.
77 BJ: Yeah?
78 DP: Yes he is.
79 DP: I have to tell the truth, I don't.
80 BJ: Mm hmm.
81 DP: I wa-, I like more tv.
82 BJ: Mm hmm.
83 DP: I watch very little radio.
84 BJ: Uh huh. Do you have cable tv, or?
85 DP: Yeah, I have cable.
86 BJ: Mm hmm. Do you listen to, I mean, what, what tv stations...?
87 DP: Mostly?
88 BJ: Yeah. (If you had to say...)
89 DP: I like uh, KDKA or WTAE. They're mostly the two primary ones.
90 BJ: Yeah.
91 DP: You know, then CNN, cable. I like him, I like (okay) I listen to him.
Watch Larry Kind at night. I do.
92 BJ: Mm hmm.
93 DP: I do. ((background noise)) And then that other station. What is that?
M? What is that?