

*(CD of interview enclosed)*

Interview with  
***Erma Lorriane Groeger Atkinson***  
Saturday, February 15, 1992



“Memories of my early life”

*and*

“Christmas memories from when I was a child”

Interviewed by Dhyan (Kathleen Marie) Atkinson  
With Gaylord Atkinson also present



Erma and her Dad in the Humphrey swimming pool. *(We still have her little wool (yes, wool!) swimming suit which her mother made for her in the family archives box!)*



Erma and her mother with one of her many baby dolls.



Erma and the "Share kids." Erma is in the middle.



Erma and her mother on the front porch of the little house she grew up in.



Erma playing with neighbor children. She is the little girl farthest to the left behind her baby doll carriage.



Playing beside the house with little neighbor girls. Erma is farthest to the right.



The little house Erma grew up in. This is the back of the house (Notice the "tarpaper shack" she mentions in the interview around the back door and also the dormer room with its three windows which was Erma's bedroom after Merle came. The backdoor lead into the kitchen. The

corner seen here would have been her parent's bedroom and the window to the far right would have been to the living room.)



Erma and friends. Erma is second from the left.



The little table and stools made for her by her father. Erma and a friend. Erma is holding the doll that was "sticking out of the sack" the night she and her mother "surprised Santa Claus" in the house on Christmas Eve. She is about seven in this picture.