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Abstract: **Sally Rachuig Kelly**

Ms. Kelly grew up in Sugar Land, first at the Humble Camp with her parents; and later off Brooks Street with her husband and two sons, Chuck and Bruce. Bruce took this interview of Sally as she tells about her life; living along Oilfield Road, going to school at Sugar Land Independent School District (ISD), swimming, movies and playing with friends. She describes in detail the design of some of the Humble Camp homes; the daily activities of women; and life in general before and after WW II.

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Interview Summary

People (in order mentioned in interview)

T J "Charlie" and Mrs. Williams, Sr. – neighbors
 Charles Kelly, Jr. – spouse
 Herbert Albert Rachuig – father
 Mamie Adams Rachuig – mother
 J. B. and Syb Fowler – neighbors
 Mose Norwick, Sr – sold produce
 Wynelle and Walt Wappler – friend
 Mr. Wanjura – school bus driver
 T J Williams, Jr. – neighbor
 Lima Johnson – 1st grade teacher
 Mayme Rachuig – sister
 John Pirtle – classmate
 Betty Lubajosky – friend
 Marilyn Berg – friend
 Emma Anderson – housekeeper
 Mrs. Berry – high school history teacher
 Mrs. Orsak – high school algebra teacher
 Tuggie Laperouse (Krehmeier) – friend
 Barbara Batten – friend
 Maxine Gary
 Jean McCord Babineaux – friend
 Martha Jo Muehr – friend
 Mr. Barden – school superintendent
 Eva Beth Williams – piano teacher
 D. P. Morton Family
 Chuck Kelly – son
 Bruce Kelly – son
 Mr & Mrs Kelly – in laws

Louise Hall – friend
 Betty Ulrich – friend
 Bud & Betty Jenkins – friends
 Betty Cordes – friend
 Dr. Slaughter – local physician
 Maxine Gary – friend

Places / Businesses

Humble Company
 ExxonMobil
 Standard Oil
 Humble Oil & Refining Company, Texas
 Sugar Land
 Humble Camp, Sugar Land
 Baytown Refinery
 Port of Houston.
 Warda, Texas
 LaGrange, Texas
 Giddings, Texas
 Oklahoma
 Texas A&M University
 Imperial Sugar Company, Sugar Land
 Sugarland Industries
 World War II
 Houston, Texas
 Sugar Land ISD
 Richmond, Texas
 Rosenberg, Texas
 San Antonio, Texas
 Okinawa
 University of Houston

Events

From age 6 months until today, Sally has resided in Sugar Land. She lived at the Humble Camp when her father worked for Humble Oil Company. Later, after marriage, she and her husband, Charles, raised their two sons in this idyllic company town.

Ms. Kelly shares many memories of a delightful childhood in Humble Camp, riding the school bus and enjoying summers swimming, going to movies and playing with her friends.

Living in Sugar Land, her husband Charles worked for Imperial Sugar Company. They enjoyed years of closeness with family and friends. Sally was a member of several groups including the Birthday Club to celebrate her women friends' birthdays each month.