



WE LISTEN...

... and we ask questions to help focus on memories you want to record. Just thinking about recording the story of your life's adventures can be daunting. Our trained and attentive interviewer helps make the process fun, successful, and rewarding. Whether you want to record your oral history, or just one momentous event, we can help you preserve your story.

WE COME TO YOUR HOME...

... if that's the place you choose. It's best to meet in a quiet environment, with few distractions. When that is not possible, we try to make it work. It's most important that you are comfortable during the recording.

WE DELIVER YOUR STORY...

...as a set of chapters that are available 1) emailed to you as a downloadable file, or 2) on a CD, or 3) on a USB flash drive.

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Life Story

RECORDINGS



Your story
Your words
Your voice



LIFE STORY RECORDINGS

Each of us has a wealth of history and memories.

Our audio recordings will capture up to three hours of your oral history. The process usually takes between two and four weeks to complete.

If you live within a twenty-mile radius of Camarillo, CA, a volunteer will meet with you and help you organize your thoughts prior to beginning the interviews.

THE INTERVIEW PROCESS

Our interviewer will meet with you between three and eight times. We can schedule one or two meetings each week, depending on our schedules.

Prior to each meeting, it's helpful if you give some thought about the portion of your story you wish to record that day. We encourage you to do a bit of homework, because it will make your story more complete and accurate. Sometimes photographs from that part of your life help to prompt and refresh memories.

The story is best told without the aid of notes, because the spontaneity in your voice can be captured. If the process of recording seems overwhelming, the interviewer can help you make it successful.

During each meeting, the interviewer will listen attentively and ask questions to draw out your memories. You may wish to record a single event in your life or a more complete life story.

Your recordings will be confidential and available only to those you approve.

YOUR COMPLETED LIFE STORY

We will edit each of the recorded chapters, remove background noises and rearrange the material as needed for continuity. The edited chapters will be available online for download. This is YOUR story. You and your family may make as many copies of the chapter recordings as you wish.

We never charge for interviewing and editing services and we do not accept donations. Access to the online chapters is free.

In addition to the online recordings, we can provide your Life Story in two additional ways:

- A CD in a personalized case. Your name will be imprinted on the CD. For this option, we charge \$10 to cover the cost of materials.
- A USB flash drive protected in a personalized case. For this option, we charge \$10 to cover the cost of materials.

Chapter files are in MP3 format. We will work with you to determine the best delivery method for you and your family.