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In this oral history excerpt, Rob Amberg questions Stan Hyatt about growing up in Madison County, North Carolina and living with his grandmother on her farm.

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Rob Amberg

Was there farming in your background at all?

Stan Hyatt

My grandmother had farmland and leased it out, and I helped with the tobacco chores and gardening and growing corn, things like that - feeding the pigs and feeding the chickens, milking the cows - when I was growing up with her.

Rob Amberg

So you had all of those things. And would you classify your grandma as somewhat self-sufficient on the farm?

Stan Hyatt

She was extremely self-sufficient. She lived after she raised six kids of her own. I lived with her a while, and she would have me go out to the woods and get roots and things out of the ground that she made medicines out of. I hunted. I would bring squirrels and fish back, and rabbits. My grandmother could fix anything. When her husband was still alive she cooked for a sawmill up there in Dillingham area. She was the most self-sufficient woman that I ever knew.

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