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My childhood

At the end of the 2nd World War our family was evacuated to a small village called Wollishausen. My uncle Ferdinand had a bakery in Augsburg and outside of this village, he owned a nice small wooden house.

We lived there with my mother, my grandparents and my two sisters.

Most of the time we played in the garden but I liked to be in the nature and started catching butterflies and other tiny animals.

At school!

In our small village there was also a school. From the 1st to the 7th class, all pupils were in only one room. At that time we got school meals from the American government: for example cacao, fruits, sweets and some more. I don't remember exactly as it is a long time ago!

Dachshunds



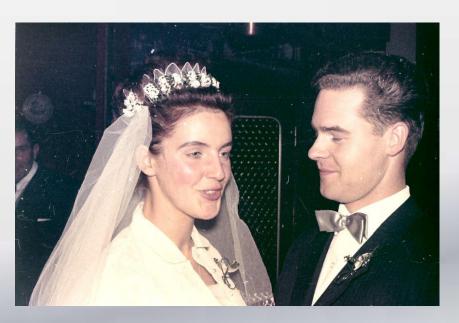
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My grandfather was a hunter but, after the war, nobody was allowed to wear weapons.

Once Opa and I went to the forest with two dachshunds. Suddenly one of the dogs disappeared in a foxhole. It lasted half an hour till the dog came out again!

My grandfather and I were both relieved and very happy!

My Wedding



In 1962 Johanna and I got married. We had invited a small group pf family members and friends.

After the ceremony in the church we went to a restaurant at the "Rotkreuzplatz" in Munich. We enjoyed the wonderful and delicious meal and afterwards we danced.

Later we organised how all our guests could drive home. When all were gone, there was no car left for us! We had to look for a taxi and finally found one. The taxi driver was wondering and laughed heartily and drove us home!

Birthday



Two years later ou daughter Claudia was born in Pasing. We both had chosen that name for a girl but had none for a baby boy.

Now Claudia is 56!

After Johanna's death I got married again in 1999. And my Helga and I often ask ourselves where the time has gone by so fast!