

Grandmother's House
A Life-snippet

Sundays after church
dinner at Grandmother's house
fond weekly routine

Granddad was born there
sagging creaky floors, throw rugs
loved his strong cigars

chicken, spuds, green beans
hymns sung 'round the piano
four-part harmony

cousins, uncles, aunts
card games, pitch-and-catch
grown-ups talked, kids played

everyone's gone now
house burned down long ago
sometimes, I'm still there

Setting: My grandparents' house in Knoxville, Missouri, 1945-1963



Photo circa 1959

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