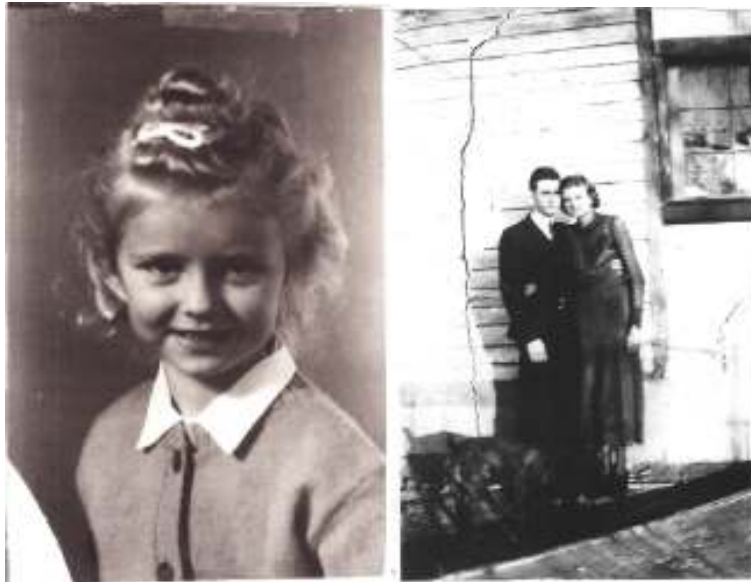


LELA GILMORE ORRINO, North High Class of 1959



Lela Gilmore, Age 5 Lela's Mother and Father 1936, Denver, CO

On my mother's side my grandfather was born August 11, 1891 in Wayne County, Indiana named Owen Victor Roberts and died August, 1960. My grandmother, Edna Pearl, was born December 6, 1890 and died October 13, 1976.

On my dad's side Frank Gilmore, born February 8, 1896 in Missouri and died May 1956. Don't know where grandmother was born, her name was Vinnie. My dad was born in Texmo, Oklahoma on April 25, 1913 and named Claude Willis Gilmore. He only went to the 6th grade, but knew a lot of different things; he was a Moulder until he retired.

My mother was born in Sitka, Kansas in 1916 named Marjorie Roberts. She went to Lake Junior High and West High School; she lived in the house where I grew up.

My dad lived two houses down from her on Wolff St and that is where they met and married in 1936. They lived in a box car until they bought the house on Wolff St. from my grandparents.

I was born on February 1, 1942 at St. Anthony Hospital. The only house I lived at until I was married was on Wolff St. It was an old wooden house with a porch all the way around. We had seventeen trees in our front yard at one time, it was great! Never had any money and never will, but was always happy that I can remember.

I went to Colfax Elementary; I started school in January when I was four. In fifth grade we went up a year, so we would be able to finish in June. I went to Lake Junior High and North High School and loved every minute of school. My first job was at Eddie Bohn's Pign-Whistle as a bus girl, I think I was twelve. It was great to have my own money. I did baby-sit, but didn't like it much. I have one brother, two years older than me.

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I love Colorado!

