#-528tories

4 Home & Hearth

HERE ARE A DOZEN QUESTIONS to inspire your personal history this month. Answer all twelve, or expound upon one question per week as part of the #52stories project from FamilySearch.

- 1. Where are your roots? Do you feel strong ties to a particular place, either because of your own personal experiences or your ancestry?
- 2. What was your childhood home like? If you moved a lot, was there one house that felt most like "home"? What made each new residence feel like home?
- 3. As a child, did you have a "home away from home"? Perhaps a friend's, grandparents', or favorite aunt's house? What did you love most about being there?
- **4.** In childhood, did you share a bedroom with siblings or have a room to yourself? What kinds of things did you collect and display in your own little corner of the world?
- **5.** Where did you go the very first time you moved out of your parents' home? Did you have roommates? Did you live on your own? Did you get married right away? Tell the story.
- 6. How many different homes or apartments have you lived in throughout your life? How many different cities? What have you gained (or lost) in each of those moves?
- **7.** What is your "third place"? Besides home and work or school, where do you spend most of your time? Why?
- 8. Do you have a refuge from the stresses of your regular life? Where do you go to find peace and solace?
- 9. What do you love most about where you live now? What would you change about it?
- **10.** What city do you consider your "home town"? Is it the city of your childhood, the place you live now, or somewhere else?
- 11. If it's true that "home is where the heart is," what are the barest essentials you would need to make any place a home?
- **12.** Do you know where you'd like to be laid to rest one day? Will you be buried near relatives and ancestors, or in the place you lived most of your life (if the two are different)?



