

Interview with my Grandad Brendan Morris. He grew up in Mount St. Joseph Kingscourt Co. Cavan.

1. Did you come from a big family? How many brothers & sisters did you have?

Yes he had 7 brothers & 6 sisters, they grew up in a 3 bedroom house in Mount St. Joseph. He said there used to be a race to bed so you could get a space.

2. Where did you go to school? What was your favourite subject.

He went to Kingscourt National School. His favourite subject was history. Mrs. Tinnelly was his first teacher & master Corrigan was the headmaster.

3. What games did you play at school? Who did you play with? Did you read books?

We liked to play soccer with all the boys in school. There was no Gaelic goal to play Gaelic and windows were often broken. he also liked to read books.

4. What was your favourite book?

Western & Cowboy books were his favourite.

5. What was your favourite time of year?

Summer was his favourite time of year, as the evenings were longer so they could spend longer outside playing sports.

6. What kind of occasions did you celebrate? Where did you celebrate them?

We celebrated Birthdays, Christmas & Liverpool winning the league 1978. We celebrated them at home.

7. Did you have a best friend?

Yes, my best friend was Jimmy Martin, he lived beside us.

8. What kind of things did you do together?

We played soccer & went to Cavan games.

9. Did you have any pets?

They had a pet dog named Jackie, she was a poodle.

10. What was your favourite food?

Roast beef & spuds were his favourite foods, they had it on Sundays.

11. What do you remember about your First Communion or your Confirmation day?

Fr. Tehan was the parish priest in Kingscourt, when he received his first holy communion & confirmation.

After the first holy communion they went down to see friends in Co. Kildare & after his confirmation they went home & to see his neighbours.

12. What were your favourite prayers growing up?

The Hail Mary was his favourite prayer.

13. What do you remember about the time when I was born?

It was a Friday & I had to go out to your house to mind Oisin.