

Maude "Grandma" Supernaw

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Grandma: And uh, they have a, Stick Dance, old people, they have, used to be. They call it special dance, somebody sick and so, they give that once in while, they dance. They use dry corn, and uh, so they have dance and give a date and come tell my father first. So, he singing, he's the only one sing, know that so, he went over there to camp and, when they get ready to, and they cook corn first and getting ready, and they getting ready to dance, and my father pick out dancer, uh, eight dancer, and four singer, and uh, four women, special. Uh, a chief daughter, so, oh, Lane, Aunt Mary, she's chief daughter too, she dance. I dance with her every since I was, ever since I was a little girl. So, that special dance they have, and uh, when my father sing they dance, uh, they carry special leader too, oh and uh, he, he lead, uh, four time and go round, and they quit and they sit down, and give all smoke pipe, give a smoke, and singer too give a smoke pipe. And they get through and they dance again, same thing, dance four time and then they quit, and then, and uh, eat that dry corn, feed all them, uh, singer first and grandpa, my father first. Singer and a dancer, eight of them, they feed them, put in a pan. Feed them, what corn left, oh, all, all, all rest of them they give away, they come get it and they want, they want to eat corn. So when they get through they carry that, stick away. They, they put that stick away, and that's all to it.

Bill: Who was this Chief's daughter, that you danced with?

Grandma: Huh?

Bill: Who was that woman you danced with?

Grandma: Oh, uh, Joe Lane aunt.

Bill: Oh.

Grandma: Uh, huh.