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Bill: Well, where was this stomp ground at? Used to be down there, you said, used to be one down there.

Grandma: Stomp Dance?

Bill: Stomp Ground, Stomp Dance.

Grandma: Oh, way down below (on Delaware Creek) where, oh, Goodeagle, Goodeagle live, way out there stomp dance, back down there.

Bill: Down by Sperry?

Grandma: On, uh, Delaware Creek, way down. Right after you pass that, school house like you going Sand Springs, you know, you see, school house at, at Rock Creek, and you go down in there, that's where Francis, uh, Goodeagle live there, that's where that stomp dance is. That's where they have the stomp dance, and uh, Shawnees and a few Creek there. They come to dance then.

Bill: Victor's (Griffin) daddy lives back in there someplace? I mean, uh, buried back there.

Grandma: Uh huh.

Bill: Oh.

Grandma: They go hunting then, uh, summer. Uh, first, first time my dad stomp dance, I don't know what month was it they, they go hunting, mans folks. Uh, three days they go hunting deer you know, and uh, they, they camp out, uh, anybody kill any deer they barbecue with it. They bring barbecue, so it won't spoil. After three days they go and they come back, and that, that day everybody waiting for, uh, eat, eating the deer meat, then Shawnees, they all come down there. So, we always camp there, couple days before they come back, everybody, Quapaw, whoever cook, going to cook. So, when they come back, they, and they cook in that time. Oh, before they come in, they shoot like a, emptys gun, you know, everybody got a gun, you know, they shoot it out before they come in, so, after they come back, so. So, they get ready for supper then, so. Everybody come eat

barbecue deer meat and they, and they boil in some and everybody eat then so, they all Shawnee come, that's all. Just a few Quapaw around there, (live on Quapaw Creek), they all down there. They live around here, them Quapaw didn't go back Quapaw country yet, so, that's all.

Bill: Goodeagle, Goodeagles use to live here and

Grandma: Huh?

Bill: Goodeagles and who else use to live down here?

Grandma: Yeah! He used to live there, close to stomp dance ground. He take care of that stomp dance ground.