

Glenis Hunter – age 45: 21 Lisvane Avenue.

My first home was on Hatterboard Drive where I lived with my sister and 2 brothers. I went to Barrowcliff Infants School. We then moved to Candler Street and I went to Gladstone Road Juniors. After that I went to Graham School. I loved horse riding.

My grandfather worked on the Cliff Lift which used to be a penny a trip. My grandmother's family were fishing folk from Filey. My grandparents lived in a Swiss style bungalow at the end of Valley Road. It's been knocked down now. I used to love my grannies rice pudding and Yorkshire pudding.

My dad, Henry Hunter, was in bomb disposal. He died in the 1980's. My mum, Dorothy, was a schoolgirl during the war but also took part in "Fire watch" at St Mary's Church. She worked as a telephonist at the Northway GPO. They met at a dance at the Zilpha boarding house in Ramshill, now Elizabethen Court. My sister owned the Viking Launderette in Falsgrave.

I remember swimming in the North Bay open air pool and going to Galaland. In the 1970's they staged "It's a Knockout" at the Open Air Theatre. I remember the tree walk in Peasholm Park and walking to school in the snow which happened anytime from November till as late as April. As a teenager I used to go to Boots to buy 45rpm single records for 49p each. I still have 800 of them. We had a record player that would stack 7 at a time. We only got Radio 1 and 2 then and they were crackly. Our first TV had black and white pictures. I remember visiting Fylingdales on the North Yorks Moors. There were 3 great big golf balls there then.

Unfortunately at the age of 16 I was knocked down by a car on my way to the Pictures. I was unconscious in a coma for 6 months. When I finally came around my mum fed me gravy and mash and sometimes I had chips for breakfast.

Glenis now spends her life in a wheelchair and visits the Elder's Street Day Care Centre on a regular basis.