

My Name: Jennifer McCarthy

My age: 10 yrs old








My School: Scoil Bhride


Who I spoke to: My mom (Denise)

My moms address: Denise McCarthy
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War 1935-1945

On The 19th of June 1935 a baby was born. She was born in Vienna, Austria. She was named Karin. Her dad was a doctor.  And her mom was a house wife. . They were a wealthy family. . Who enjoyed a good life. But then in 1939 ww2 broke out.  Karin and her parents were taken to a concentration camp.  Adolf Hitler and his wanted her father. To join his army troops.  As he was a medical doctor. This would mean him abandoning his daughter and wife. For a better life for himself. This left Karin and her mother to fend for themselves.  The conditions in the camp were very poor. After some time Karin's mother contracted Typhus in the camp in 1942. Her mother was taken to the medical ward. Nobody told the little girl where her mother was. She was very frightened and worried. A few short weeks later they came to Karin to tell her her mother died. Karin was now alone in the world.

 When ww2 ended in 1945, the gates were opened and the camp prisoners were released. Karin had become friendly with a 12 year old girl. Who was also alone. So they left the camp together, looking for some family connection. An aunt of Karin's was located and she collected Karin from the trains. Karin then lived with her aunt Annelie. Until she was 18 yrs old. She then travelled to America, after some time she came to Ballyeshob and married my grandpa. Their first son was my dad, Benji. She is now living in Australia, aged 83 she is also my granny.

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