

# Rose Hill Record

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## HOME COMING



Alice Cramer returned this August to visit her beloved childhood home. Alice, who moved with her family out to Rose Hill from Record Street in 1944, was the last owner of the property before it was sold to Frederick County in the late 1960's. She spent time visiting the house and property and helped "fill in the blanks" with property information and stories of her family's life at Rose Hill. It was a pleasure to spend time with her.

Some tidbits from Alice: Lots of animal stories:

The first time Alice's mother Kitty saw Rose Hill, cows were grazing in the front lawn right up to the porch.

Alice's father Jimmy kept chickens, pigeons, peacocks, pheasants, guineas, and turkeys. It was not unusual to wake up in the morning to see little turkeys keeping warm in the oven. One time the Jimmy raised a turkey too big to prepare and fit into their oven; they had to have it cooked at the Francis Scott Key Hotel!

Jimmy ran the farm as a dairy farm, but had trouble hiring farmers so finally gave up the cows.

Horses were important to the family. Jimmy usually had a race horse or two, and Kitty's first cousin was a race horse trainer. Alice's pony Tony would come into the house and the hallway through the back hallway door.

The home was always open and full of parties and friends—the kitchen was "a big party room," and everyone "dressed" for the parties.

The attic was Alice's favorite playroom. She and the kids who lived in the tenant house would go down and through the coke bottling plant to watch the cokes being bottled.

A bit of trivia in an election year—Alice showed us a picture of her, her mother, and her aunt at Eisenhower's inauguration. Just a few presidents ago!

.....and so many more remembrances.

Come visit the museum to learn more about the time when the Cramers owned and inhabited the property.

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