

1. Les Steele

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10. Came to New Liskeard, when I was 1 year old. We lived 9 miles north of there on a farm.

14. My dad was a farmer for a year. We then moved to Clear Lake in 1911. Our home was a cold 2 story shack. Dad hauled mining timber and lumber. He worked later Years at the Mining Corp and the Nipissing-in 1932, he bought 20 acres " in Coleman Township near Loon Lake. My mother lived there for a year and really hated it. So I took it over. West Cobalt was really thriving in those days. Tom Jackson, Hickey McIntyre, Ramsay's Store, a real mean old bugger, Peter's Amiotte, Sandy Stewart, Brewer, Harold Bowden, Emma Kennedy, Roses, Teddy Peak, Ray Buttle McIsaac, Crawford, Mayberry, Parson, Valley, Piche, Sydney, Miss Ross, Conroy, Dearing, they had 3 daughters could never have son, Kate, Stewart, Othmer, Lesellet, Fred Easen, Rochester. These are just some of the people that lived out there then. It is sure different today. I went to West Cobalt school, it had 2 rooms. Miss Rowe was my teacher. I was in the air force four years, 23 months in Newfoundland, Bagotville, Quebec, 6 months to Dartmouth N.S. I was then discharged in from 1941-1945.

18. I horsed around a lot in Cobalt had a real good time. We were very poor in those days, If we pissed it wouldn't even run down the hill. We usually had to roast our poplar wood before we'd burn it. Where Bigelow's house is today there used to be a big apartment house. first job was in 104 working on a gov't crusher. I worked 10 hours a day and was paid 35 cents an hour. I worked for Jim Shannon. Len Bigelow and I walked back and forth, every day. I worked at the Mining Corp. for a while, also in the bush for Bill Smith, Then from 1950 to 1952 worked for Len Cunningham at Ungava Bay, the geese had to fly backwards to keep the snow out of their faces. Then for Roger Gareau near Gowganda I started with Hydro in 1957. I really like Cobalt as everyone is so friendly. Alma and I both like the changes made in Cobalt and would like to see any change that would better the town. Cobalt has a beautiful historic background to offer any visitor even myself, living here for 60 years. I'd never live any other place. Alma and Les just love dancing. If there's a band any place playing, you can be sure to see them there dancing.