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Anna,

This is the only photo of the Village Market that I can find. I'll look again in some old scrapbooks at home this weekend. I think your project to digitalize the history of P. M. businesses is wonderful. Dad started the Village Market across the street in the building that once included Harris Building Supply, a gas station (on the corner) and the Village Market in the middle. In the early 50's, Dad bought the property where the

Builder/contractor's office is  
 now, from my Grandfather, D.C.  
 Fulb; and built the building  
 that is there now. The original  
 building was approximately 5,000  
 square feet and as his business  
 grew, so did the grocery store.  
 Dad retired in the early  
 70's and sold the Village  
 Market to my brother, Mike.  
 Mike later grew tired of  
 the long hours 7 days a  
 week and sold it back to  
 Dad. Dad closed it down  
 and sold it to the current  
~~owner~~ and retired again.  
 Community Bank

Correction

I worked in the business from the age of ten to 1965 when I graduated High School and went to college. It was an extraordinary opportunity to meet people and develop social skills, the art of selling and how business works. The pay was nominal (like an allowance) but I wouldn't trade the experience for anything. The Village Market was a true personal service grocery with custom cut meat and always fresh produce. A customer ordering steaks or chicken etc would watch the butcher cut in right before their eyes. Dad also extended interest free financing

to customers (mostly farmers) who had to pay a little money down and periodic payments for months or even years. There was only one other grocery store in P.M. called The Big Store and the owner and Dad were friendly competitors. Those were definitely the good ol' days where service with a smile was commonplace.

Good luck on your project.

Best regards,

Mark Juhl

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