

**Sharecropper Narrative (Page 2, Video 1)**  
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“I think about one person in particular, who was, uh, initially a sharecropper. Her family were, her family was a sharecropping family, and she had several siblings, and they all worked on the, they all work on the sharecropping plot. Many of the children had to drop out of school early perhaps in middle school or, middle school or early high school to help on the family, on the, uh, family plot and also to, to generate income for the families. But it’s interesting to me that these folks, even with uh, what, what many would call an abbreviated formal education, that they’re still very educated in the sense that they bring a depth of understanding to their lives, and they’re able to accomplish great things without the, um, without the letters behind their names that indicate a particular degree.