

September 10, 1938.



On September 10th 1938 a beautiful (well Mom and Dad thought so,) baby girl was born to George and Pauline Frericks in a farmhouse Northeast of Clarksville, Iowa. The doctor assisting was Dr. Edward Mark. They named her Joyce Louise. I was given my middle name after my Dad's favorite niece, Louise Piehl.

That year Rome exiled the Jews. Italian cabinet passed a law prohibiting Jewish foreigners from residing there. They were given six months to leave.

Hitler talks food. Nuremberg tells of good national harvest. Idea of economic blockade presents no German fears.

Otto Hahn splits atom of Uranium. The reaction was known as nuclear fission releasing huge amounts of energy. This was later used in atomic bombs and nuclear power plants.

Hungarian Lazio Biro invented the first ball point pen.

Joyce Fenneman

Richard Kuhn, a German, won the Nobel Peace prize but Hitler forbade Germans from accepting it.

The president of the United States was Franklin D Roosevelt. Vice President was John N Garner.

Postage stamps were three cents.

One pound of round steak was thirty five cents.

A loaf of bread was nine cents.

A new Ford auto was \$720.

A gallon of milk was fifty cents.

A new home was \$3,900.

A dozen eggs was thirty six cents.