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Daughter-in-law of Dwight D. Eisenhower.

DESCRIPTION- Interview #1: Early experience with mother-in-law Mamie Eisenhower; honeymoon; Ida Eisenhower; Mamie's family in Denver; DDE and Mamie living in New York; summer in Paris while DDE was with NATO; Pamela Harriman; family holidays at the White House; luncheon for Queen Elizabeth; DDE's bridge playing; Al Gruenther; the Eisenhowers as grandparents. Dolores Moaney; Mamie as First Lady; family dinners at the White House and Gettysburg; Winston Churchill; family quarters at the White House; Secret Service and the Eisenhower grandchildren; role of the First Lady; visit of Nikita Khrushchev; living in Kansas while John was at Command and General Staff School; Christmas celebrations; family Thanksgiving; birthday parties; Charles de Gaulle; Masters Tournament at Augusta; anecdotes about the 1959 Goodwill tour; experience traveling as a woman in Islamic countries; gifts given and received; anecdotes about Mamie; Pakistan; Turkey; India; U-2 incident; interior decorating and the Eisenhower toile; Mamie's jewelry.

Interview #2: The article *How to be a Good Daughter-in-law*; first experiences with the Eisenhowers in 1947; Mamie's hair and clothes; Mamie's frugality with White House property; 1952 campaign; summer in Paris; pressures of the 1952 campaign; John in Korea during 1952 campaign; California and 1956 convention; Cary Grant; inaugural gowns; Truman's request that John come back to US for the 1953 inauguration; disagreement between Truman and DDE; 1957 inauguration; visit to the White House after the Eisenhower administration; handling mail she received when DDE was in office; permanent staff at the White House; Mamie's role as First Lady; use of the Gettysburg farm during the presidency; living in the White House; the experiences of her children as grandchildren of the President; DDE's handling of the U-2 crisis; DDE's health and the decision to run for reelection in 1956; DDE's use of written and spoken language; DDE working in the hospital; John F. Kennedy and DDE; life for DDE after retirement; George Romney; General Van Fleet's comments regarding Korea; arrangements with the National Park Service regarding the Gettysburg farm; DDE's final illness; Irving Berlin; Mamie and music; comparison of the Eisenhowers and the Kennedys; Mamie's frugality and creativity; the gold vermeil china; Jackie Cochran; fundraising for the Eisenhower Hospital; Bob and Delores Hope; DDE's funeral; Mamie's decision to stay at the Gettysburg farm; internment of Ikky at the Eisenhower Library chapel; Mamie's activities following DDE's death; the Barbara Walters' interview; Ike and Mamie's Abilene funerals; visiting the White House during the Bush 41 administration; Presidential gifts and Mamie's distribution of her possessions.

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