



Nancy Knox *Solina*

Local farm kid, adored voice of Ebenezer Church, minister, world traveller

I grew up just outside Solina on my parent's farm. It's commonly known now as Knox's Pumpkin Farm today, but then it was just a small dairy farm. I went to Bradley's School, which was a one-room school. I went to Eldad United Church. A very typical rural farm kid upbringing.

explorers and CGIT (Canadian Girls in Training) and church choir. All of those community things dramatically shaped me. They gave me a really good grounding in my own value system and how I wanted to live and shape my life.

I was ordained in 1980. I decided I wanted to be a minister in high school. It was still a little unusual for women to go into ministry at time. Eventually, I went to Emmanuel College in Toronto, which was a three year program and a one year internship. The year I went, it was the first time that 50% of the class were women. It was a big transition time.



The Women's Institute in Solina used to sponsor the 4H classes for girls. As girls, we would do church programs together, like