

Janis Kozlowski: What do you remember, what are your best memories of the war? Is there anything that really stuck with you, that carried you through life?

Jim Schroeder: Oh ... not really. Like I said, it's just, knowing the guys that I flew with and keeping in contact with them, you know, and talking to them. And it's ... they have a lot of nice memories. Like I said, when you're in there, you'd like to get out, but, you know, you look back and you really didn't have too bad a time while you were in the service.

Janis Kozlowski: Um-hum. Now, when you got out of the service, did you go back to Iron River, was that your home?

Jim Schroeder: No, when I got out of the service, I had ... like, I had drafting, you know, in high school. And my [wife], we got married in '47 - and my wife's brother-in-law worked for Sargent & Lundy, which is an engineering firm. So, he got me in there in '47. And they did power plant work, you know - nuclear and fossil fuel. So I worked, I stayed there for about eight - ten years. And then, I went to ... you know, they'd run out work sometimes. And you ... naturally, in Chicago, they had a lot of firms, which - not only in nuclear power, but plumbing and heating, ventilating ... which, I went to about four, or five different places during that ... my 35 years of drafting, like that.

Janis Kozlowski: Um-hum.