

1950

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Enclosed is our entry for the
Golden Honeymoon Memories Contest.
Our hometown paper did not give
many details. Hopefully, this will
not be too late.

Thank you -

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Our honeymoon in Niagara Falls was in November 1950. We were married November 11th. I was 18 and my husband 19, his birthday was the following day, turning 20. Just 2 kids, as we see it now, but at the time confident in taking the big step. My husband jokes that it was Armistice Day, the day he surrendered and quit running!

Knowing that Niagara Falls was THE place to be on our honeymoon, we managed to save for our trip. I was working a 40 hour week in a office earning \$25⁰⁰ a week and my husband was earning a whooping \$37⁵⁰ a week as a truck driver.

We drove our 1937 Plymouth from Edgerton, Wisconsin to Niagara Falls arriving with big eyes and no reservations! We stayed at the Hilltop Motel across from the American Falls. We thought we were in heaven! Although chilly weather, we "did the town". A marvelous sight to behold! At that time, salt & pepper shakers were

the thing to bring home as souvenirs. We chose 2 little pigs in a pen and got several sets for friends. I still have the set with the "Souvenir of Niagara Falls" decal on the side and on the bottom "made in occupied Japan"

Returning home we were the envy of our friends — we'd done it right and gone to Niagara Falls for our honeymoon — where else!

Our marriage brought us 5 children and 11 grandchildren.

By the way, if a maid found a sash from a robe at the Hilltop Motel in November 1950, it was ours. It was left behind, but we brought home many memories.

Some day, we hope to return.

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