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(Dornoch)*

I joined the Womens Land Army (WLA) in March 1945 and was in the North Riding most of the time. I started off on the aerodrome at Linton-on-Ouse, near York.

Six of us shared a house on the aerodrome and we grew all the vegetables for the Canadians who were all lovely!!

I then went to various hostels, i.e. Terrington, Guisborough, Stokesley, Stockton-on-Forest and Leeming Bar, (where I was taught to drive). Then to Thirsk and became a Forewoman and lastly to Easingwold, where I met my husband.

We were married in 1949 and are still together. Several of my friends from the WLA have been sadly widowed but one has recently celebrated her Diamond wedding as well. I thoroughly enjoyed my time in the WLA even in the Winter where we cycled everywhere and worked alongside Italian and German P.O.W.'S, who were coached everywhere (for obvious reasons, of course). I served 4 years but have no regrets.



Elizabeth being presented with her Land Army Medal and certificate by Flower Thomson



Memories that lie within this selection of photographs