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## **The Black Church, Maine's Black Residents and the Wider Community**

### **Mrs. Emma Jackson**



Interviewer: Does anyone else come to mind?

Emma Jackson: "I didn't know that many -- no, because we were church people."

Interviewer: Right

Emma Jackson: "So we were involved a lot in the church and, ah --"

Interviewer: Anyone you remember through the church who had their own businesses or, um, prominent in--

Emma Jackson: "I can remember the Richardson's but they were in Portland. They owned some kind of a cleaning service."

Interviewer: Right. The Kippys."

"...But, ah, they seemed to be prominent. But I don't -- don't really know because we really didn't know that many blacks at that time..."there wasn't that many. And we didn't -- we only knew that were involved mainly in church...One of our members owns a, ah, beauty shop...Crystal. Uncle Q's. Do I know any other black owned -- you know, I don't know any other black-owned businesses."

Mrs. Emma Jackson (age 62; born 1941 in Atlanta Georgia; lived in Maine for 46 years; has three children)

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**Full Length Interview:** [Home is Where I Make It: Jackson, Emma](#)