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Daughter of the Honorable George and Elizabeth Andrews of Alabama

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Class Tours and Homework Help
Jane Andrews Hinds shares memories of her father giving tours to her class and getting homework help from the Library of Congress.

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He took me on the floor of the House back when I was in the fifth grade, I think, at the opening of, opening of Congress in the fifth grade. And then in the seventh or eighth, he had the luncheon for my entire class. And so, we would go to the Speaker's Dining Room, and that was, that was exciting. And he would walk us around the Capitol. So he did do that. That was his tour for my class, but, but Mother would take constituents through the Capitol, and she called them her “Elizabethan tours,” and she would walk them all around. But, but Dad was interested in Cathedral, and so I was up there for that. And that’s about it. I would go to his office occasionally, and of course, they would get The Hardy Boys books and the Nancy Drew books for me from the Congressional Library, and I think I am guilty of having a couple of term papers written. I used them for research. I wrote my own paper, but I know Thomas Mann’s Magic Mountain, the summaries and that got into some of these papers that I went through. I feel guilty about having the Library of Congress do my work.