John L. Tucker was born on 05 August 1898, the eldest son in a family of six girls and four boys. With the exception of an older sister, born in 1896, none of the children married. All the boys in the family went on to become baymen.

LIMM Research Associate John Kochiss recorded this interview with Mr. Tucker and his younger sister Mildred, at their West Sayville home in April 1977.