Newsmen and spectators stand in front of the main gate of the Three Mile Island Nuclear Generating Station in Middletown, Penn., April 2, 1979. (AP Photo/Jack Kanthal)

Did you live in central Pennsylvania in the spring of 1979?

To mark the 40th anniversary of the partial meltdown at Three Mile Island, WITF is working on a series about the accident and its impact. That includes new documentary television programs, radio features and a range of online content.

We want to hear your stories about evacuating the region, why you decided to stay during the emergency, working at TMI, living near the plant, why you attribute health issues to the accident, or any other story related to the incident.

WITF invites you to share your photos, video, audio, and narrative as we gather local memories from the accident at Three Mile Island on an interactive story wall found at https://tmi.papost.org/.

The TMI Story Wall is a part of “I REMEMBER TMI,” an initiative aimed at inspiring central Pennsylvanians to remember and share stories, express their thoughts, and foster understanding around the lasting impact the accident had on the people of Central PA.
WHAT MAKES A COMPELLING STORY?

- **MAKE IT PERSONAL** - Consider the question: How did the accident at Three Mile Island impact your life? Describe how you felt - not just the facts. Share personal anecdotes and perceptions in a conversational tone. And weave in the specific details about an experience, person, place, or thing – that way, you allow others to better imagine your story.

- **KEEP IT SHORT** - We’re looking for concise, personal stories that effectively highlight a meaningful experience that made a lasting impact on you during or after the accident. If you’re sharing video or audio, please try to keep it to around 3 to 5 minutes in length.

- **ADD MEDIA TO YOUR STORY** - Enhance your story by adding a variety of media, including video, photos, or audio. Get creative. Letters, maps, sketches, journal pages, documents, and photos of mementos from the TMI-era are also great storytelling tools.

- **QUALITY** - The best stories will include high-resolution images. Audio and video recordings should be created inside in a quiet environment, free of background noises and distractions.

- **TONE OF RESPECT** - This is a safe space for everyone to share, honor, and reflect.

- **THE RULES** - Please familiarize yourself with our Submission Terms and Conditions which you must agree to before submitting your story to us. We reserve the right not to include stories that violate our policies and that don’t fit the tone of our collection.

HOW CAN I SHARE A STORY?

There are several ways to share your story. Just decide what is best for you.

- **ONLINE** - Share your story anytime, anywhere on our website: [https://tmi.papost.org/](https://tmi.papost.org/). Use the simple story-submission form on the site to add a title, text, location, photos, video and/or audio to your story. When you click the “Submit Story” button, your story elements will be sent to our digital team that’s in charge of adding your unique story into the Story Wall website.

- **STUDENT** - Under 18? Please work with your parent, guardian, or a teacher who can submit your story on your behalf.

- **What if I want to edit my story?** - Please contact our team at tmi@witf.org or by phone 717.910.2841 and we’d be happy to assist you in editing your story.

- **What if I want to have my story removed?** - Please contact our team at tmi@witf.org or by phone 717.910.2841

STORYTELLING WITH YOUR MOBILE DEVICE OR TABLET

Most of us have a high-quality production kit right in our pocket! A mobile device or tablet can be a great tool for creating a compelling story with photos, video, or sound.

- **PHOTOS** - You can snap high-resolution photos with your phone or tablet’s camera. Make sure there is enough light and try to reduce glare. Remember that you can also take photos of archival photos, maps, documents, mementos, sketches, letters, medals, etc. These are powerful storytelling tools as well.

- **VIDEOS** - Use your device’s camera to record a high-quality video for your story. For the best video quality, please shoot videos in landscape mode (horizontal), and in a quiet place with minimal visual and audio distractions.

- **AUDIO** - Please record audio in a quiet space with minimal background noise.
CONTACT US - We’re here to help. Please contact our team at tmi@witf.org or by phone 717.910.2841 and we’d be happy to assist you in sharing your story. Whether you’re sharing via website or email, we will send you a confirmation that we received your story.