



## Remember when...? – Swimming

### Description

As mentioned in the previous story, when i was 3 and 4, i was going to that center that felt like kindergarten. They had all kinds of activities, crafts, gym, and they also had a big swimming pool, and that is where i learned to swim.

At the end of the “school year” we had a presentation in front of the parents. The swimming area had an adjacent room, with a glass wall so parents could watch kids without being in the pool area, and stay dry.

### Year end show

Kids were swimming across the pool to show off what they had learned. And some other kids were going on the diving board. I was one of those.

### On the diving board

I was not afraid of water. I knew how to swim. And i had been on the diving board, in the deep end of the pool many many times. So as my turn came, i went on the tip of the board, and jumped (we didn't learn to dive). What happened next was strange.

### Sightseeing underwater

As i jumped in the water, everyone would have expected me to come back to the surface quite rapidly since i was small, but i didn't. For some reason, i stayed underwater. I still have that vivid image in my mind of looking around and seeing the underwater lights that were all around the pool and thinking that was cool. With my eyes open, i was just looking around, “enjoying” the sight.

## Scared mom

Obviously, everyone else was not enjoying my staying underwater that long, including my mom who was on the other side of that glass wall! How long did i stay there? I have no idea. I didn't choke, i didn't feel out of breath at all.

## Coming up

As i was looking around in the pool, i then saw a pole and wondered why they sent that to me, then assuming they wanted me to grab it, i did. And they pulled me out of the water as if i were in trouble. But i was not! I was really enjoying my stay underwater!

Did you have any adventures in the water? Maybe at the pool, the beach or in a lake? Did you learn to swim? Or were you afraid of water? Share your watery stories with us. This could be one more scrapbooking idea for a project, and even if you don't have a photo, you can create a layout just to share that story.

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