

# Biographical Description for The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History with Nancy Bowlin

PERSON

**Bowlin, Nancy, 1927-**

**Alternative Names:** Nancy Bowlin;

**Life Dates:** August 8, 1927-

**Place of Birth:** New York, New York, USA

**Residence:** Bronx, New York

**Occupations:** Public Health Nurse

## Biographical Note

Educator and public health nurse Nancy Bowlin was born on August 8, 1927 in Harlem, New York to Harriet Seraphina Worghs and Phillip Worrell Douglas. Her parents met in Harlem in 1924. Bowlin attended P.S. #10, St. Thomas the Apostle Elementary School, Asbury Park High School and graduated from George Washington High School in 1945. She received her associate's degree from Brooklyn College in 1947 and graduated from Bellevue School of Nursing in 1952 as a registered nurse. Bowlin went on to earn her B.S. degree in home economics and M.S. degree in health education from Lehman College in the 1970s.

Bowlin worked as a nurse at Bellevue Hospital from 1952 to 1954. As a state public health nurse for the State of New York in Harlem from 1954 to 1958, Bowlin assessed family health and taught neo-natal care. Later, she was appointed Supervisor of Nursing Education for the federally funded Central School for Practical Nursing. In 1969, Bowlin joined the New York City Board of Education, where she taught home economics at P.S. #142 and later taught bio medical sciences, nursing and biology at the high school level until 1984.

Bowlin is a member of the United Negro College Fund, the NAACP and the Schomburg Center for Black Research. She lives in Bronx, New York.

Bowlin was interviewed by The HistoryMakers on April 17, 2007.

## Related Entries

**Hunter-Bellevue School of Nursing** [STUDENT OF]

[from ? to ?]

**Brooklyn College** [STUDENTOF]

[from ? to ?]

**A.D.**

**George Washington High School** [STUDENTOF]

[from ? to ?]

**St. Thomas the Apostle School** [STUDENTOF]

[from ? to ?]

**Asbury Park High School** [STUDENTOF]

[from ? to ?]

**Lehman College** [STUDENTOF]

[from ? to ?]

**Master's**

**Bellevue Hospital** [EMPLOYEEOF]

[from ? to ?]

**Nurse**

**Harlem Hospital** [EMPLOYEEOF]

[from ? to ?]

**Nurse**

**New York City Board of Education** [EMPLOYEEOF]

[from ? to ?]

**Teacher**

**Central School for Practical Nurses** [EMPLOYEEOF]

[from ? to ?]

**Teacher**

**New York City Department of Health** [EMPLOYEEOF]

[from ? to ?]

**Public Health Nurse**

**Knickerbocker Hospital** [EMPLOYEEOF]

[from ? to ?]

**Nurse**

**NAACP** [MEMBEROF]

[from ? to ?]

**Member**

**United Negro College Fund** [MEMBEROF]

[from ? to ?]

**Volunteer**

**Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture** [MEMBEROF]

[from ? to ?]

**Volunteer**