



Maria Juana Anderssen migrated to Sweden 1958 from Buenos Aires, Argentina when she was 14. She flew to Denmark to get picked up by her uncle who took her to Stockholm. She lived with him for her teenage years. The rest of her family, mother, father and 2 sisters stayed in Argentina.

Her first job was at a radio station that she got through her uncle's friend. She did not know Swedish at this time. She learned pretty fast though by listening to people and reading Donald Duck. She later worked at several jobs as hospitals, student homes and the Argentinian embassy.

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She did find our Swedish culture odd. Swedish people were not that inviting and she had to invite herself, she said. Even though she did not feel too welcomed by the people, she said Sweden welcomed her very good. She says Sweden is a fantastic country with many work opportunities and she got a much better life here than she had in Argentina. She got her citizenship when she married a Swedish man that became my father's foster dad and the grandfather that I grew up with.

She has only visited Argentina once after she moved from there and she is the last one in her family alive. She has some nephews in Argentina but she does not know them very well.