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Theresa Carroll and Evelyn Calvo, who was from France, were in labour together in 1971.

Theresa gave birth first at about 3 am to a chubby boy with lots of black hair. During the pregnancy, the baby was always referred to as Toby, so when Evelyn asked the baby's name, Theresa naturally, told her "Toby".

Evelyn's response was "All ze dogs in France are called Toby"

Later that day, after Evelyn gave birth to her long, slender daughter, Theresa asked Evelyn what name had been chosen, and was told that she was to be called Muriel.

Theresa couldn't resist by replying, "But all ze cats in France are called Muriel"

Peter and Theresa did allow for the baby to be baptised as Adam Tobias, though he was always called Toby, except by Evelyn who called him Adam.

Theresa loved giving birth at the Maternity wing in Coober Pedy as everyone came to see her, unlike her previous 3 confinements in NZ, Tarcoola and Port Augusta.