Collection Summary

Title
Kelsay Family Collection

Date
1700s-1900s

Extent
2 archival boxes

Name and Location of Repository
Midwest Genealogy Center, Independence (Mo.)

Reference code: MGC 1153-KFC

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Name of Creator
Dr. Ronald Cravens Kelsay

Biographical History
Ronald Cravens Kelsay (1930 to 1994) was the son of Samuel Kelsay and Hazel Cravens. The Kelsay family lived for many generations in Adair County, Kentucky as well as other parts of Kentucky.

Scope and Content
This collection is primarily family group sheets for the Kelsay family along with loose photographs on the history of the Kelsay family. Additional materials on the Kelsay family are in the Adair County Library in Columbia, KY and in the Morgan County Library and the Morgan County Historical Society Museum in Versailles, MO. Dr. Kelsay collaborated with Carl Kelsay and Thema Scott Hickson to research and record the various Kelsay family lines. Each individually compiled extensive records.

Collection Inventory

System of Arrangement
These records are arranged in 2 series.

Box 1,
Series 1, Photographs
   Folder 1, photographs
Series 2, Charts and Forms
   Folder 1, Cleveland Coffee Kelsay
   Folder 2, Hugh Kelsay
Folder 3, James Kelsay (1st Marriage)
Folder 4, James Kelsay (2nd Marriage)
Folder 5, James K Kelsay & Jane Hursha
Folder 6, James K Kelsay & Jane Hursha, cont.
Folder 7, James K Kelsay & Jane Hursha, cont.

Box 2,
Folder 8, Lafayette Kelsay & Nancy Ann Taylor
Folder 9, Moses Kelsay & Jane Walker
Folder 10, Misc. families

Rights and Access

Conditions Governing Access
The collection is open for research use by appointment.

Physical Access
Most records within this collection are housed within file folders.

Conditions Governing Reproduction and Use
Permission to publish, quote, or reproduce must be secured from the Midwest Genealogy Center.

Languages and Scripts of the Material
Materials in the collection are entirely in English.

Immediate Source of Acquisition
This collection was donated by Terence Eugene and Sarah (Zye) Kelsay to the Missouri State Archives. The Missouri State Archives transferred the collection to the Midwest Genealogy Center.

Accruals
No further accruals are expected for this collection.

Existence and Location of Originals
Originals owned by the Midwest Genealogy Center.

Notes
The following sources were consulted during the preparation of the biographical history: