



## Collection Summary

### Title

Lois Allen Collection

### Date

Late 1800s to late 1900s

### Extent

1 archival box

### Name and Location of Repository

Midwest Genealogy Center, Independence (Mo.)

Reference code: MGC 1127-LAC

Processed by: Nicole Schlagel, 2016; Finding aid created by Jolene Clark, 2019.

### Name of Creator

Lois Turner Allen

### Biographical History

Lois Turner was born in Lafayette County, Missouri on March 19, 1913 to Roy Turner and Nell Strodman. She grew up in Independence, Missouri where she married Frank S. Allen. Lois was a family historian and involved in many genealogical and historical societies.

### Scope and Content

This items in the collection belonged to Lois Turner. Some items relate to her family while others are photographs collected by her. It is unclear as to whether the photos are related to the Allen family or just photos of unknown individuals collected by Lois Turner. Some photographs are identified but the majority of the photographs do not have names or dates on them. Other items include a memoir written in 1945 by an unidentified author, letters, newspaper clippings, a funeral book, and an autograph book.



## Collection Inventory

### System of Arrangement

These records are arranged in 2 series.

#### Series 1, photographs

- Folder 1, photographs
- Folder 2, photographs, cont.
- Folder 3, photographs, cont.
- Folder 4, photographs, cont.
- Folder 5, photographs, cont.
- Folder 6, photographs, cont.
- Folder 7, photographs, cont.
- Folder 8, negatives

#### Series 2,

- Folder 1, items related to Allen family
- Folder 2, items related to Shouse family
- Folder 3, items relating to Leta (Cook) Gillespie
- Folder 4, memoir by unknown author, July 25, 1945

## 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 Jason Barrett.

### 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:

- "Lois Turner Allen Obituary." *The Examiner of East Jackson County*, The Examiner of East Jackson County, 4 Feb. 2010, [www.examiner.net/article/20100204/NEWS/302049753](http://www.examiner.net/article/20100204/NEWS/302049753).