



Collection Summary

Title

Smith Family Bible

Date

1770s-1950s

Extent

1 archival box

Name and Location of Repository

Midwest Genealogy Center, Independence (Mo.)

Reference code: MGC 1084-SFB

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Name of Creator

Smith, Benjamin Howland

Biographical History

Benjamin Howland Smith was born on January 17, 1772 in Massachusetts. He married Silvia Howland on November 18, 1794 in Dartmouth, Bristol County, Massachusetts. Together they had eight children, seven of whom survived. Around 1810, the Smith family moved from Massachusetts to Erie County, New York. Silvia Smith died and was buried Erie County in 1812. Benjamin died on June 20, 1831 and was also buried in Erie County.

Scope and Content

This collection consists of the family Bible for the Benjamin Howland Smith family. This Bible contains family records for births, marriages, and deaths for Benjamin, his wife Silvia Slocum, and their children. The records also contain information on Benjamin's second wife, Rebecca Kirby. Also included in this collection are the scanned family record pages, a pamphlet found in the Bible dated 1959, and a family unit chart.

Collection Inventory

System of Arrangement

These records are arranged in 2 series.

- Series 1, Smith Family Genealogy
 - Folder 1, Family Unit Chart
- Series 2, Bible
 - Folder 1, Family Record sheets [scanned]
 - Folder 2, Pamphlet found in Bible, 1959
 - Folder 3, Bible

Rights and Access

Conditions Governing Access

The collection is open for research use by appointment.

Physical Access

Records within this collection are housed within file folders. The Bible is secured with cotton typing tape and wrapped in acid-free tissue paper.

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 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:

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