



Collection Summary

Title

Brackenbury Family History

Date

2015

Extent

1 archival folder

Name and Location of Repository

Midwest Genealogy Center, Independence (Mo.)

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Name of Creator

Robert Brackenbury

Biographical History

Robert "Bob" Brackenbury was born in Independence, Missouri in 1927. He spent most of his life in Independence. He served in the military during World War II. Using the GI Bill after the war, Bob to attend art school in at Graceland College, Academie Juelian in Paris, France, and the Los Angeles Art College in California. A scholarship brought him to Detroit where he worked for GM. It was there he married Mary Lou Goulder in 1951. She too was from Independence, Missouri and after spending a short time in Michigan and a few years in California, they returned to Independence, Missouri to raise their family.

Scope and Content

As I Live and Breathe and *Okuna and the Kabuki Dance* are both hand printed autobiography of Robert Brackenbury telling of his family history as well as his experiences growing up during the Depression, serving in the military in World War II, and his family life after the war. Other stories from his life are recorded in an oral history through the *Tell Me A Story* program at the Midwest Genealogy Center.



Collection Inventory

System of Arrangement

These records are arranged in 1 folder.

Folder 1,

Item 1, *As I Live and Breathe* by Robert Brackenbury

Item 2, *Okuni and the Kabuki Dance* by Robert Brackenbury

Rights and Access

Conditions Governing Access

The collection is open for research use by appointment.

Physical Access

Records within this collection are housed in a file folder.

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Languages and Scripts of the Material

Materials in the collection are entirely in English.

Immediate Source of Acquisition

This collection was donated by Bob Brackenbury.

Accruals

No further accruals are expected for this collection.

Related Collections

Midwest Genealogy Center, Mid-Continent Public Library, Independence, Missouri, "Oral Interview with Bob Brackenbury," Genealogy Gallery, <http://content.mymcpl.org/items/show/10054>.

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:

- Ancestry.com. *Michigan, Marriage Records, 1867-1952* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2015.