



Collection Summary

Title

Julia S. Riedel Papers

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Name of Creator

Riedel, Julia Slemons

Biographical History

Julia Slemons Riedel was born on 3 October 1910 in Monticello, Drew County, Arkansas. Her parents were Wirt Adams Slemons and Julia Desay Gardner. She also had two brothers (John Collins Slemons and Gordon Wirt Slemons) and two sisters (Suzanne Leighman Slemons, and Marguerite Slemons). Later in her life she moved to Shreveport, Louisiana in 1930, and to Kansas City, Missouri in 1941. She died on 12 October 2005 in Union, Franklin County, Missouri. During her life she also wrote a book titled *Brigadier General William F. Slemons, C.S.A.: His Ancestors & Descendants*. She was also married twice. First she married Roy St. Clair Harrison, and after her first husband's death she married Bill Riedel.

Scope and Content

This collection contains the genealogical research of Julia Bess Slemons Riedel. Most of the content's focus is around Julia Slemons Riedel and her immediate family, the Gardner Family and the Slemons Family. The collection also contains some information about the McCoy, Snodgrass, Harrison, Biggart, Mark Ray, and Hartsfield families. These families are either directly related to Julia Slemons Riedel or related by marriage. Most information in the records covers the history of the families and how they are related to each other. Among the records are correspondence, family trees, and self-written family histories.

Collection Inventory

System of Arrangement

These records are arranged in 9 series.

Box 1,

Series 1, Julia Slemons Riedel Family

- Folder 1, Personal Papers
- Folder 2, Julia Slemons Riedel Family History
- Folder 3, National Society Daughters of Founders and Patriots of America
- Folder 4, Daughters of the American Revolution
- Folder 5, Correspondence, 1991-1995
- Folder 6, Correspondence, 1996-1999
- Folder 7, Correspondence, 2000-2003
- Folder 8, Correspondence Unknown Dates
- Folder 9, Bill Clinton and Political Correspondence
- Folder 10, Wilhelm Karl Riedel
- Folder 11, Julia Slemons Riedel Miscellaneous Papers

Series 2, Slemons Family

- Folder 1, Slemons Family History
- Folder 2, Julia Gardner Slemons
- Folder 3, William Ferguson Slemons
- Folder 4, Thomas Slemons
- Folder 5, Slemons Family Miscellaneous Papers

Series 3, Gardner Family

- Folder 1, Gardner Family History
- Folder 2, *The Story of John Gardner of Monroe County, Georgia & His Descendants, 1778-1978*

Box 2,

- Folder 3, Gardner Family Bible Records
- Folder 4, Leroy Gardner Correspondence, 2000
- Folder 5, Gardner, Burgess, and Collins Relationship
- Folder 6, Gholson (Golson) Family
- Folder 7, Collins Family
- Folder 8, Collins-Kilgore Cemetery Project
- Folder 9, Pringle Family

Series 4, McCoy Family

- Folder 1, McCoy Family History
- Folder 2, McCoy Family Last Wills and Testaments

Series 5, Snodgrass Family

- Folder 1, Snodgrass Family History

Series 6, Harrison Family

- Folder 1, Harrison Family History

Series 7, Biggart Family

- Folder 1, Biggart Family History

Series 8, Mark Ray Family

- Folder 1, Mark Ray Family History



Series 9, Hartsfield Family
Folder1, Hartsfield Family History

Rights and Access

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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 to the Midwest Genealogy Center by William Harrison

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:

- Ancestry.com. U.S., Social Security Death Index, 1935-2014 [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2011.
- Information from collection.
- Julia Elizabeth "Bess" Slemons family tree found on Ancestry.com.
<http://person.ancestrylibrary.com/tree/15855683/person/1980863554/story>
- Julia Slemons Riedel personal history. Series 1, Folder 2.
- Wirt Adams Slemons family tree found on Ancestry.com.
<http://person.ancestrylibrary.com/tree/15855683/person/1978633647/story>