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Descriptive Summary

Collection Number

Coll. 36

Language

Materials in this collection are in English.

Creator

Smith, Arthur Robert

Physical Characteristics

0.8 Linear Feet 2 boxes.

Repository

The Edgar Cayce Foundation, Virginia Beach, Virginia

Administrative Information

Conditions Governing Use

Collection is open for research use.

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Biographical / Historical

Arthur Robert Smith was born on February 13, 1925 in York, Pennsylvania to S. Arthur Smith and Inez Smith. He served in the United States Navy from 1943 to 1946. Smith married Yvonne Franklin in 1946, Doris Elizabeth McDowell in 1967, and Jane Dreifus in 1993. He had four children.

He worked as a columnist, correspondent and reporter during his sixty-year career in journalism. He served as the editorial editor for the *Virginian-Pilot* in Norfolk, Virginia. Smith wrote ten books on political and spiritual topics, including *About My Father's Business* (1988), on the life of Hugh Lynn Cayce. Smith also founded *Venture Inward Magazine* for the Association for Research and Enlightenment in 1984.

Smith died in Virginia Beach on November 15, 2016 at the age of 91.

Scope and Contents

This collection includes correspondence, interview transcripts, notes, and research sources collected by Arthur Robert Smith to write the book entitled *About My Father's Business* (1988), a biography of Hugh Lynn Cayce (1907-1982).

Arrangement

Collection is arranged alphabetically by material type.

Description of Subordinate Components

Box 1

address [Unity] Edgar Cayce

Unit ID Folder 1:1

Unit Date undated

brochure [Association of National Investigators]

Unit ID Folder 1:2

Unit Date 1926

correspondence [Harmon Bro]

Unit ID Folder 1:3

Unit Date 1982

correspondence

Unit ID Folder 1:4

Unit Date 1989-2009

diary notes [Gladys Davis Turner]

Unit ID Folder 1:5

Unit Date 1934-1935

lectures [Atlantis: Symbol of Man's Forgotten Glory; Turning Point in World History; untitled at Willkie Memorial Hall] Hugh Lynn Cayce

Unit ID Folder 1:6

Unit Date 1950-1970

lectures [Edgar Cayce]

Unit ID Folder 1:7

Unit Date 1930-1933

magazine [The Commonwealth: The Magazine of Virginia]

Unit ID Folder 1:8

Unit Date August 1965

magazine [Psychic]

Unit ID Folder 1:9

Unit Date September 1972

manuscript [Atlantis Revisited; Chapter 1] Edgar Evans Cayce

Unit ID Folder 1:10

Unit Date undated

manuscript [Edgar Cayce and the Church] Joseph Fitch

Unit ID Folder 1:11

Unit Date 1971

manuscript [Edgar Cayce's Memoirs] copy

Unit ID Folder 1:12

Unit Date 1932

manuscript [In Search of the Mother Pool: Correspondence between Edgar Cayce and Buddy Wilmott, December 1923-March 1926] Robert Krajenke

Unit ID Folder 1:13

Unit Date 1989

newsclippings

Unit ID Folder 1:14

Unit Date 1910-1945

notes

Unit ID Folder 1:15

Unit Date undated

Box 2

outline and sample chapters [The Dayton Years] Robert Krajenke

Unit ID Folder 2:1

Unit Date undated

publications [A.R.E.]

Unit ID Folder 2:2

Unit Date 1966-1981

report [Research Report on Edgar Cayce for ClearWindow Productions] Robert Krajenke; Stephan Schwartz; A. Robert Smith

Unit ID Folder 2:3

Unit Date 1990

research sources

Unit ID Folder 2:4

Unit Date 1982-1989

research sources [Fay Autry]

Unit ID Folder 2:5

Unit Date 1987

research sources [death of Edgar Cayce]

Unit ID Folder 2:6

Unit Date 1945

reviews [About My Father's Business]

Unit ID Folder 2:7

Unit Date 1988-1989

screenplay [Miracle Man: The Edgar Cayce Story] A. Robert Smith

Unit ID Folder 2:8

Unit Date 1990

script [The Freak] Granville Burgess

Unit ID Folder 2:9

Unit Date 1981

transcript, interviews [Hugh Lynn Cayce]

Unit ID Folder 2:10

Unit Date 1981-1982

transcript, interview [David Kahn]

Unit ID Folder 2:11

Unit Date 1964