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Overview of the Collection

Identification:

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Language of Materials

The papers are in: English

Abstract:

The papers of Rev. Thomas E. Pugh, a minister of the Williamsburg Baptist Church in Williamsburg, Virginia from 1952-1981.

Creator:

Thomas E. Pugh, 1917-2006 Williamsburg Historic Records Association (Williamsburg, Va.) arrangement

Quantity:

13.00

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Administrative Information

Conditions Governing Access

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Acquisition Information

The materials were acquired by Special Collections Research Center from Thomas Pugh and Mark Pugh. on 03/25/1999.

Processing Information

Collection is partially processed as of September 2009.

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Thomas E. Pugh Papers, Special Collections Research Center, Swem Library, College of William and Mary

Additional Information

Biographical Note

Thomas E. Pugh was born on November 9, 1917 in Spotsylvania County, Virginia and died June 17, 2006 in Williamsburg, Virginia.

Pugh was pastor of Williamsburg Baptist Church for 29 years, 1952-1981. His tenure was the longest in the history of the church. When he retired, Pugh was named pastor emeritus.

When Pugh accepted the pastor position, one of his objectives was to embrace the students of the College of William and Mary. He sought to provide a ministry which would aid in their development during the formative college years.

Outside of the church community, Pugh served many organizations such as the American Red Cross and the Rotary Club. One of his most significant contributions to the Williamsburg community was his 25 year membership on the board of the Williamsburg Community Hospital.

Further information about this individual or organization may be available in the [Special Collections Research Center Wiki](#)

Scope and Contents

The papers of Rev. Thomas E. Pugh, a minister of the Williamsburg Baptist Church in Williamsburg, Virginia from 1952-1981.

Collection includes sermons, church bulletins, scrapbooks, correspondence, essays, other writings, and photographs encompassing both the business and personal life of Rev. Thomas Pugh. Box 8 includes a genealogical lineage of the Pugh Family.

Index Terms

This Collection is indexed under the following controlled access subject terms.

Corporate Name:

Williamsburg Baptist Church (Williamsburg, Va.)

Genre/Form of Material:

Church bulletins

Clippings

Correspondence

Diaries

Photographs

Scrapbooks
Sermons
Williamsburg (Va.)--History--20th century

Topical Term:

Baptist Church--Virginia--History.
Baptists--United States--Clergy.

Arrangement of Materials

Each accession is arranged separately, though most accessions have only been partially processed with a detailed list of contents.

Detailed Description of the Collection

Mss. Acc. 1999.07 (Sermons and The Spire Bulletin),

Scope and Content

Sermons.

These folders contain sermon outlines on different subject matter. They were preached from the outlines by Rev. Pugh at Williamsburg Baptist Church. Also included are notebooks with the sermon titles arranged by date. The dates range from the 1950s, when Pugh took up the pulpit, to the 1980s, when he retired.

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included a high family lineage and a biographical sketch

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Mss. Acc. 2000.62A Addition (Personal Papers, Memo Books),

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Mss. Acc. 2000.32 Addition (WHRA Speech, News Clipping),

Scope and Content

Copy of outline of speech given to Williamsburg Historic Records Association by Rev. Thomas Pugh in 2000. Newspaper clipping reminiscences of Williamsburg before the restoration by Mayor Henry Stryker.

Mss. Acc. 2004.38 Addition (Mary Decker Pugh Death), 2004,

Scope and Content

Obituaries of Mary Decker Pugh from the Daily Press, 6/22/2004 and the Virginia Gazette, 6/23/2004, Bulletin from the funeral service and a photocopy of the hymn sung at the funeral service.

Mss. Acc. 2007.33 Addition, 1999-2002,

Scope and Content

Williamsburg Community Hospital's resolution in honor of Thomas Pugh, plus other material relating to the Hospital. Correspondence, news clippings and other material relating to Thomas Pugh's Williamsburg activities.