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92 folders..

Repository

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Administrative Information

Access Restrictions

Collection is open to research.

Use Restrictions

There are no restrictions.

Acquisition Information

Donated by Pamela K. Lawrence Martinson, daughter of Gwendolyn Hurst, through William Hurst in 2005.

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Biographical Information

Gwendolyn Jane Hurst, a archaeologist and genealogist, was born on 3 February 1939 in Emporia, Kansas to William Floyd Hurst and Alma Lydia Renschler Hurst. She graduated from Washington State University and worked as an archaeologist in Hawaii (Bishop Museum), Alaska, and Thunderbird Archaeology Association in Winchester, Virginia. She also served in the Peace Corps in the 1980s. Gwen Hurst published several articles on archaeology and also was the author of *U. S. Medals and Rolls of Honor, Civil War*.

In the 1990s and early 2000s, Hurst did extensive research into the Hurst family and its allied family lines including the Adams, Breeding, Harrell, Nunn, Odell, and Southern families. She visited repositories across the country and regularly corresponded with other researchers. the culmination of this research may be found in the Hurst Family Papers.

Gwendolyn Hurst died on 6 October 2004 in Strasburg, Virginia and was buried in the Maplewood Memorial Lawn cemetery.

Scope and Content

The collection has been maintained in its original order. Folders are arranged in geographical order and then by various family members. Contents of the *Hurst Family - Wythe County* folder have been photocopied and placed in the Kegley Library vertical file collection.

Folders include research notes, photocopies, correspondence, and excerpts from primary and secondary sources for Hurst family members in England, colonial America, several Virginia counties, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, maryland, Missouri, NOrth Carolina, Ohio, South Carolina, Tennessee, and West Virginia,. Counties in Virginia include Amelia, Augusta, Bedford, Botetourt, Brunswick, Carolina, Carroll, Culpeper, Elizabeth, Essex, Fairfax, Fauquier, Finacastle, Frederick, Gloucester, Halifax, Henrico, Isle of Wight, Jefferson, King and Queen, King George, King William, Lancaster, Lee, Loudoun, Mathews, Mercer, Montgomery, Nelson, New Kent, Norfolk, Northumberland, Orange, Page, Prince William, Pulaski, Rappahannock, Richmond, Roanoke, Russell, Shenandoah, Southampton, Spotsylvania, Stafford, Tazewell, Warren, Washington, Westmoreland, Wythe, and York