



Guide to the Maureen Mackey Papers

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Summary Information

Repository:	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
Creator:	Mackey, Maureen, Reverend, 1943-2014
Title:	Maureen Mackey Papers
ID:	MS-00806
Date [inclusive]:	approximately 1922-2014
Physical Description:	3.75 Linear Feet (3 boxes)
Language of the Material:	English
Abstract:	This collection is comprised of personal papers and photographs of Reverend Maureen E. Mackey, M.D., physiatrist and co-founder of Rainbow Praise Church in Las Vegas, Nevada. The collection contents span the dates of 1922 to 2014 and details Dr. Mackey's life, including her educational accomplishments, personal life, and religious life. This collection also contains personal papers and photographs of Dr. Mackey's twin brother, Thomas Mackey, III, who passed away from AIDS in 1992. This collection also contains various photographs of Dr. Mackey's parents and family.

Preferred Citation

Maureen Mackey Papers, 1922-2014. MS-00806. Special Collections, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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Biographical Note

Maureen Elise Mackey, M.D. was born in Teaneck, New Jersey on October 10, 1943 to Thomas Mackey, Jr., and Regina Morley Mackey. She also had a twin brother, Thomas Mackey, III who was born one day after her on October 11, 1943. Dr. Mackey was a member of the Sisters of St. Mary where she served on a mission to the Congo in 1961. At the end of her mission, Dr. Mackey entered the novitiate to begin her first career as a nun. While she was a member of the Sisters of St. Mary, Dr. Mackey earned her bachelor's degree from the University of Dallas in Irvine, Texas and became a high school science teacher. In 1971, Dr. Mackey left the convent to attend medical school at the University of Texas Medical School in Houston. Dr. Mackey later moved to Las Vegas,

Nevada and worked as a respected psychiatrist. In 1999, Dr. Mackey earned her Masters of Divinity from the Church Divinity School of the Pacific in Berkeley, California. She simultaneously kept her medical practice open and also served as an ordained associate pastor of Metropolitan Community Church of Las Vegas until she retired in 2005. Together with her life partner, Mary Ellen Racel, and Reverend George Balgan, Dr. Mackey co-founded Rainbow Praise Church, a bilingual faith community that provides support, especially for LGBT immigrants. Dr. Mackey served as pastor emeritus of Rainbow Praise Church. She died on August 8, 2014.

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Scope and Contents Note

The Maureen Mackey Papers is comprised of materials spanning from approximately 1922 to 2014. Collection contents include journals, personal correspondence, and photographs representing the personal and religious life of Dr. Maureen Mackey, respected Las Vegas psychiatrist and co-founder of Rainbow Praise Church, a bilingual-based faith community that provides support, especially for LGBT immigrants. This collection also includes scrapbooks, photographs, correspondence, and yearbooks kept by Dr. Mackey's family.

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Arrangement

Collection materials remain in original order.

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Administrative Information

Access Note

Collection is open for research.

Publication Rights

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Acquisition Note

Materials were donated in 2016 by Dennis McBride; accessio number 2016-027.

Processing Note

This collection was minimally processed by Tammi Kim in 2016 at the time of accessioning. The materials were quickly reviewed to provide a general description of the contents of each box and an estimate of dates represented in the material. No further work has been performed on the materials.

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Related Materials

Related Collections

The following resources may provide additional information related to the materials in this collection:

Dennis McBride Collection on LGBTQ Las Vegas, 1961-2016. MS-000802. Special Collections, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

Mackey, Maureen. Interview, 1998 January 10. OH-01177. Las Vegas Gay Archives Oral History Project, Oral History Research Center, Special Collections, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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Names and Subjects

- Women in medicine
- Women clergy
- Women -- Las Vegas (Nev.)
- Community activists -- Las Vegas (Nev.)
- Gays -- Religious life
- photographs
- Gay community

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Containers
Mackey, Maureen : alcoholism, 1986-1989 Scope and Contents: This folder includes notes detailing Reverend Mackey's experiences recovering from alcoholism and information on alcohol recovery programs.	box 1
Mackey, Maureen : awards and certificates, 1957-2005	box 1
Mackey, Maureen : correspondence, 1961-1969	box 1
Mackey, Maureen : correspondence, 1974-2009	box 1
Mackey, Maureen : correspondence, undated	box 1
Mackey, Maureen : education: awards, certificates, diplomas, licenses, 1969-1995	box 1
Mackey, Maureen : education: awards, certificates, diplomas, licenses: California, 1999-2002	box 1
Mackey, Maureen : education: awards, certificates, diplomas, licenses: Missouri, 1989-2008	box 1
Mackey, Maureen : education: awards, certificates, diplomas, licenses: Nevada, 1981-1996	box 1
Mackey, Maureen : education: awards, certificates, diplomas, licenses: Texas, 1972-2014	box 1
Mackey, Maureen : education: diploma: St. Mary's Star of the Sea School, Oceanside, CA, 1957	box 1
Mackey, Maureen : education: diploma: Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Berkeley, CA, 2002	box 1
Mackey, Maureen : education: report cards, 1948-1954	box 1
Mackey, Maureen : education: yearbook: Our Lady of Victory Academy, Fort Worth, TX, Bluebonnet, 1959	box 1
Mackey, Maureen : education: yearbook: Our Lady of Victory Academy, Fort Worth, TX, Bluebonnet, 1961 Physical Description: 2 Files	box 1
Mackey, Maureen : education: diploma: Our Lady of Victory Academy, Fort Worth, TX, 1961	box 1
Mackey, Maureen : education: test scores and transcripts, 1963-1972	box 1
Mackey, Maureen : employment: Harris House, St Louis, MO, 1990	box 1
Mackey, Maureen : employment: Missouri, 1989	box 1
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Mackey, Maureen : flight training, 1971-1972	box 1
Mackey, Maureen : genealogy, 1987	box 1
Mackey, Maureen : journals and notebooks, 1970-1973	box 1
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Mackey, Maureen : journals and notebooks, 1978	box 1
Mackey, Maureen : journals and notebooks, 1979-1980	box 1
Mackey, Maureen : journals and notebooks, 1983-1984	box 1
Mackey, Maureen : journals and notebooks, 1984	box 1
Mackey, Maureen : journals and notebooks, 1984-1986	box 1
Mackey, Maureen : journals and notebooks, 1986-1987	box 2
Mackey, Maureen : journals and notebooks, 1988	box 2
Mackey, Maureen : journals and notebooks, 1987-1989	box 2
Mackey, Maureen : personal papers, 1943-1968	box 2
Mackey, Maureen : professional papers: religious: Sisters of St Mary of Namur as Sister Xavier, 1960s-1970s	box 2
Mackey, Maureen : professional papers: religious: Visitation Monastery, 1980s	box 2
Mackey, Maureen : professional papers: religious: Metropolitan Community Church, 1990s-2000s	box 2
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Mackey, Maureen : writing: prose, 1980s-1990s	box 2
Mackey, Maureen : writing: prose: academic, 1960s	box 2
Mackey, Maureen : writing: prose: religion vs homosexuality, undated	box 2
Mackey, Maureen and Mary Ellen Racel : certificate of domestic partnership, state of Nevada, 2009 October 27	box 2
Mackey, Regina [Morley], 1990-1993	box 2
Mackey, Regina [Morley] : education: yearbook: St. Vincent Academy, Newark, NJ, Vincentian, 1933 Physical Description: 2 Files	box 2
Mackey, Regina [Morley] : education: yearbook: College of Our Lady of Good Counsel, White Plains, NY, Vestigia, 1937	box 2
Mackey, Regina [Morley] : education: yearbook: College of Our Lady of Good Counsel, White Plains, NY, Vestigia, 1937	box 2
Mackey, Thomas, Jr, approximately 2002	box 2
Mackey, Thomas, Jr, 1978	box 2
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Maureen Mackey graduation photograph [?], 1957-1958	box 2	folder P1
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Maureen Mackey [center] as Sister Xavier, 1962	box 2	folder P1
Maureen Mackey as Sister Xavier, 1960s	box 2	folder P1
Thomas Mackey, Jr.; Maureen Mackey graduation from the University of Texas at Houston Health Science Center, 1974	box 2	folder P1
Maureen Mackey; graduation from the University of Texas at Houston Health Science Center, 1974	box 2	folder P1
Maureen Mackey camping at Aspen, Colorado, 1970s	box 2	folder P1
Maureen Mackey at Mardi Gras, New Orleans, Louisiana, 1977	box 2	folder P1
Maureen Mackey in costume as the Queen of Hearts, 1970s	box 2	folder P1
Maureen Mackey, 1980s	box 2	folder P1
Maureen Mackey; Thomas Mackey III; unidentified, 1987	box 2	folder P1
Maureen Mackey after her ordination into the Metropolitan Community Church : Las Vegas, 1996-1997 Physical Description: 3 Photographic Prints	box 2	folder P1
Maureen performing a baptism, 2001 Scope and Contents: Inscribed on the back of the photograph: Precious baby, Michaela Nichole/What a Wonderful day!/A moment well never forget./We thank you so much/Dr. Mackey./with all our love,/Michael, Kimberly, and Michaela/3-28-2001	box 2	folder P1
Maureen Mackey photo identification, Jean Hanna Clark Rehabilitation Center, Las Vegas, Nevada, 1996	box 2	folder P1
Charmaine Cole, Maureen Mackey's lover and companion, at the Valley of Fire State Park, Nevada, 1980s	box 2	folder P1

Charmaine Cole, Maureen Mackey's lover and companion : gardening in Las Vegas, NV, 1983	box 2	folder P1
Thomas Mackey, III graduation photograph from Laneri High School, Fort Worth, TX, 1961 Physical Description: 3 Photographic Prints	box 2	folder P2
Thomas Mackey, III in the navy, 1960s Physical Description: 2 Photographic Prints	box 2	folder P2
Thomas Mackey, III , 1975 Scope and Contents: Inscribed on the back of the photograph: Hi Ma. Thought you would get a buzz from this! Love - Tom	box 2	folder P2
Thomas Mackey, III, 1980s	box 2	folder P2
Thomas Mackey, III at his 33rd birthday, Monday, October 11, 1976, 1976	box 2	folder P2
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AIDS Quilt panel commemorating the death of Thomas Mackey, III, 1992 Physical Description: 2 Photographic Prints	box 2	folder P2
AIDS Quilt panel commemorating the death of Thomas Mackey III, 1992	box 2	folder P2
Frank Morley and Margaret [Ruddy] Morley, Maureen's maternal grandparents, 1900s Physical Description: 2 Photographic Prints	box 2	folder P3
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Regina [Morley] Mackey : graduation magna cum laude from the College of Our Lady of Good Counsel, White Plains, NY, 1937 Physical Description: 2 Photographic Prints	box 2	folder P3
Regina [Morley] Mackey, World War II portraits, 1941-1942 Physical Description: 2 Photographic Prints	box 2	folder P3
Thomas Mackey, Jr., 1940s Physical Description: 2 Photographic Prints	box 2	folder P3
Lesser; Hess; unidentified woman; Buell; Thomas Mackey, Jr.; Regina [Morley] Mackey; unidentified woman; Huges; unidentified woman; Bruton; unidentified woman; Smokey, 1947	box 2	folder P3

Physical Description: 2 Photographic Prints

Smokey; unidentified woman; unidentified woman; Bruton; unidentified woman; unidentified man; Regina [Morley] Mackey; Thomas Mackey, Jr., 1947	box 2	folder P3
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Proclamation signed by Nevada Governor Bob Miller declaring Saturday, September 17, 1994 as A Day in Honor of Maureen E Mackey, MD, 1994 Women of Achievement Award Finalist, 1994	oversized box 3	folder 2
Certificate of attendance at the Geisinger National Conference on Addiction at Philadelphia, PA, 1987	oversized box 3	folder 2
Certification from the American Board of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, 1982	oversized box 3	folder 2
License to practice medicine in Texas, granted by the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners, 1974	oversized box 3	folder 2
Certificate of completion of residency at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School and Affiliated Hospitals, 1980	oversized box 3	folder 2
Certificate of election as a Fellow to the American Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, 1991	oversized box 3	folder 2
Diploma from the University of Texas at Dallas, 1969	oversized box 3	folder 2
License to practice medicine in Missouri, granted by the State Board of Registration for the Healing Arts of Missouri, 1990	oversized box 3	folder 2
Diploma for Doctor of Medicine from the University of Texas at Houston Health Science Center, 1974, 1974	oversized box 3	folder 2
Issue of the Fort Worth News-Tribune commemorating the centennial of the Our Lady of Victory Academy of the Sisters of St. Mary of Namur, 1985 October 4	oversized box 3	folder 3