

# Guide to the Joseph C. Mattingly oral history interview

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## **Summary Information**

**Repository:** University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special

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**Creator:** Mattingly, Joseph C., 1912-1987

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**Abstract:** Oral history interview with Joseph C. Mattingly conducted by

Sean Powers on February 23, 1979 for the Ralph Roske Oral History Project on Early Las Vegas. In the interview, Mattingly discusses moving back and forth between Las Vegas and Reno, Nevada during the 1930s and 1940s before finally settling in Las Vegas in 1954. Mattingly also discusses his life as a sheet metal worker for commercial buildings, Las Vegas Strip hotels, and buildings on the University of Nevada, Las Vegas campus.

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## **Scope and Contents Note**

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beginnings of Boulder City, Nevada, and his memberships with various motorcycle clubs. Digital audio and transcript available.

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University of Nevada, Las Vegas History Professor Ralph Roske donated materials for this oral history project to UNLV Libraries Special Collections and Archives in the 1980s.

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## **Names and Subjects**

- Oral histories (document genres)
- Las Vegas (Nev.)

- World War, 1939-1945
- Boulder City (Nev.)
- University of Nevada, Las Vegas
- Basic Magnesium, Inc.