

Guide to the Morrison Family Photograph Collection

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Summary Information

Repository:	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
Creator:	Morrison, Selma
Creator:	Morrison family
Title:	Morrison Family Photograph Collection
ID:	PH-00213
Date [inclusive]:	1917 to 1933
Physical Description:	0.49 Cubic Feet (2 hanging folders, 1 shared box of negatives, 1 shared binder of slides, and 1 oversized box)
Physical Description:	1.80 Linear Feet
Language of the Material:	English
Abstract:	The Morrison Family Photograph Collection (1917-1933) consists of black-and-white and color photographic prints, negatives, and slides. The images primarily depict the Morrison family in Las Vegas, Nevada and the surrounding areas. Images portray youth activities in Nevada, including a local Boy Scouts Troop, Las Vegas High School students, Clark County High School students, as well as student activities at the University of Nevada, Reno. Also included are images of scenes around Las Vegas, including Mount Charleston, Little Falls, and the Colorado River prior to the Hoover Dam (Boulder Dam). Other images include Morrison family trips to California, Utah, Oregon, and Arizona.

Preferred Citation

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Biographical Note

William Herbert Morrison was born in Indiana on April 30, 1880 to Letitia Jane Clinton and Ellery Herbert Morrison in Princeton, Indiana. He married Ella V. Princeton, and the couple had a son, Giles Morrison. The Morrison family moved to Las Vegas, Nevada in 1917. William Morrison worked for the Union Pacific Railroad, until he began working for Basic Magnesium during World War II. He died on March 7, 1945 in Los Angeles, California.

Giles Morrison was born in 1903 in Indiana to William Herbert Morrison and Ella V. Princeton. He met and married his wife, Selma, in Fresno, California in 1929, while on assignment working for Union Pacific Railroad. After returning to Las Vegas, he started a dance band, and formed the first Boy Scout Troop in the city.

Source:

Genealogy Files about "William Herbert Morrison" and "Giles" Morrison." Accessed on April 14, 2020 on familysearch.org.

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Scope and Contents Note

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Arrangement

Materials are arranged by material.

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Administrative Information

Access Note

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Acquisition Note

Materials were donated in 1985 by Selma Morrison; accession number 85-40.

Processing Note

In 2020, as part of an archival backlog elimination project, Ryan DiPaolo wrote the finding aid and entered the data into ArchivesSpace.

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Names and Subjects

- photographs
- Mount Charleston (Nev.)
- Las Vegas (Nev.)
- Morrison, William Herbert, 1881-1945
- Morrison, Giles, 1903-

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Containers
Photographic prints, negatives, and slides; and photograph albums, 1917 to 1933	folder 01
	folder 02
	oversized box 03
	box SH-027
	binder PB-004