

Guide to the Don T. Walker Photograph Collection

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Summary Information

Repository:	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
Creator:	Walker, Don T., 1939-2013
Title:	Don T. Walker Photograph Collection
ID:	PH-00280
Date [inclusive]:	1900 to 1995
Physical Description:	0.13 Cubic Feet (2 hanging files, 1 shared box)
Physical Description:	0.51 Linear Feet
Language of the Material:	English
Abstract:	The Don T. Walker Photograph Collection (1900-1995) is comprised of black-and-white and color photographs taken by or belonging to Las Vegas photographer and Nevada historian Don Travis Walker. The photographs taken by Walker include ghost towns in Nevada, Arizona, and California, as well as a series on Phil Benson, editor and publisher of the <i>Southern Nevada Times</i> . Other items in the collection include photographs taken by other people related to the Moulin Rouge Hotel in Las Vegas, various photographs of historic sites in Nevada, and a program from the Nevada State Museum and Historical Society for its "Moulin Rouge: History in the Making" exhibition.

Preferred Citation

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Biographical Note

Don Travis Walker (1939-2013) was a photographer and Nevada historian. Walker was born June 3, 1939, in Hugo, Oklahoma to J.T. Walker and Anna Mae Richards. He received his college degree from Langston University in 1963 and served in the U.S. Navy in 1963. After his discharge from the Navy, Walker worked at the Nevada Test Site as a communications firefighter specialist for 44

years until his retirement in 2007. Starting in the late 1980s, Walker began photographing various ghost towns throughout Nevada, Arizona, and California. Walker died August 16, 2013 in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Source:

Walker, Don T. *Las Vegas Review-Journal*. Accessed October 19, 2018. <https://obits.reviewjournal.com/obituaries/lvrj/obituary.aspx?page=lifestory&pid=166578138>

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Arrangement

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Administrative Information

Access Note

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Acquisition Note

Accession number 1996-026.

Processing Note

In 2018, as part of the archival backlog elimination project, Douglas Emery created the finding aid and entered the data into ArchivesSpace.

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Names and Subjects

- Ghost towns
- Showgirls -- Las Vegas (Nev.)
- Casinos -- Nevada -- Las Vegas
- African American women -- Nevada -- Clark County
- African Americans -- Las Vegas (Nev.)
- Mining camps
- photographs
- Moulin Rouge (Hotel-Casino : Las Vegas, Nev.)

Collection Inventory

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