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Biographical/Historical Note: John Oldham was born June 22, 1923 in Hartford, Kentucky to Carlisle and Ruth Oldham. After a stint in the Navy, he attended WKU where he stood out as a member of the basketball team. He received his BS in 1949 and MA in 1951.

After college Oldham was drafted into the NBA and played two years for the Fort Wayne Pistons. He returned to Bowling Green to coach at College High, then moved on to Tennessee Tech where he coached from 1955 to 1963.

He returned to Western to become basketball coach in 1965 upon E.A. Diddle's retirement. The WKU Hilltoppers were integrated Oldham's tenure. In 1971 he was named athletic director, a position he held through 1986.

Description: Records created by and about John Oldham.

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UA36I.31 **Records** **Dates: 1947-present**
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