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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Edwin Thomas Roberts was born to Clyde Everett Roberts and Ethel Mae (Jenkins) Roberts on 19 May 1920 in Clarkston, DeKalb County, Georgia. Both of his parents were from Warren County, Kentucky, and Edwin researched and collected a considerable amount of material about the Roberts and Jenkins families. He eventually synthesized that information into dozens of family genealogical notebooks which are housed in the Kentucky Library Research Collections at Western Kentucky University.

Roberts served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He married Dorothy Lee Vinson on 1 January 1942 in Covington, Newton County, Georgia. They had one daughter, Patricia Lee Roberts in 1946. Roberts retired in 1983 from the George A. Breon Company. After his retirement he operated several gift stores in the Atlanta area. The Roberts were members of the Decatur First United Methodist Church. Roberts died on 25 May 1998 in Atlanta and was interred in the Decatur City Cemetery.

COLLECTION NOTE

This collection consisted of notebooks containing genealogical charts, photographs, and other research material. The titles assigned by Roberts for each notebook were retained, but the material was removed from the three-ring binders. The folder headings indicate Roberts’ titles. One of the notebooks contained information about his parents (Clyde and Ethel Roberts) and another notebook included information about his brother (Thomas J. Roberts). Much of the material included consists of photocopies.

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Folder 2 Lyda (Roberts) Moore Fuller, 1890-1977 1884-2009 104 items
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**BIBLIOGRAPHIC RECORD**

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Edwin Roberts' collection of notebooks containing genealogical charts, photographs, and other research material of the Holbrook, Orr, Roberts, and Smith families. One contains information about his parents (Clyde and Ethel Roberts) and another includes information about his brother (Thomas J. Roberts).

1 box. 9 folders. 1,079 items. Originals, photocopies, and photographs.
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**SUBJECT ANALYTICS**

Fuller, Lyda (Roberts) Moore, 1890-1977 – Relating to B1,F2
Holbrook family B1,F3
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