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**BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE**

William Elvis Clark, Sr., was born on 5 December 1898 in Rockland, Warren County, Kentucky. He attended Warren County’s Rolling Springs School. In 1911-1913, he lived to the Old Baker Place on Baker Hill. At around 14 or 15 years of age, Clark started working in various jobs, including Diamond Chain, Frederick Stern’s Laboratory, and Neldrum Manufacturing Company. Eventually he settled in Chicago.

In 1920, he married Hazel M. Steinestal in Rockford, Illinois. The couple had two sons: William Elvis, Jr., and Robert J. William, Sr. continued working in various jobs for the next decade, from elevator operations to Link Belt Company; he worked at the latter until his retirement in 1964. His wife Hazel died in 1986, and soon thereafter he moved to Indianapolis to live near his son.

**COLLECTION NOTE**

This box contains cassette tapes of Clark speaking about his reminiscences of growing up in Warren County. A few tapes were from the late 1980s to the early 1990s, but most tapes were not dated. Alongside the tapes are notes summarizing Clark’s memories of what happened in his lifetime, though no notes accompany folder 9. Also included is a brief biography compiled from the highlights of the tapes, along with a photo of Clark in Folder 1.

**SHELF LIST**

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Folder 9  Autobiographical Sketch (CT 8)  n.d.  1 item
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Oral reminiscences of William Elvis Clark, who
grew up in Warren County, Kentucky, but spent most
of his career in the Chicago area. He discusses at
length: people, events, and local historical topics that
he recalls from his childhood in Bowling Green and
Warren County, Kentucky.
1 box. 12 folders. 28 items. Cassette tapes and
notes.
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SUBJECT ANALYTICS

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