

ORAL HISTORY COLLECTION

MAIN ENTRY: Reyes, Jesus “Jesse”

DATE OF INTERVIEW: February 5, 2010

LOCATION OF INTERVIEW: Midland, Texas

INTERVIEWER: Daniel U. Sánchez

FORMAT: File on server, 2 MiniDV's

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:

LENGTH OF INTERVIEW: 1 hour 43 minutes

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE: Jesse Reyes talks about his education at Texas Tech University and his music career. He is a former member of Los Premiers which was famous for its Chicano music in west Texas. The band was inducted into Buddy Holly Walk of Fame in 1997.

ABSTRACT:

FILE

TIME STAMP

Background	0:00
Born in Mitchell County, Texas	
Parent's background	
Immigration to US	
Father's occupation	
Reasons to move to Midland, Texas	
Brother's musical background	
Growing up in Midland	
Recollections of his childhood	0:10
Issues with summer jobs	
Schooling at Midland	
First time in a school	
Other experiences at school	
Experiences with racism	

Junior high schooling	0:20
Issues between Hispanic and Anglo students	
Transition during 1960's	
Getting to know about college education	
Teachers who influenced him	
College education	0:32
Reasons he got into Texas Tech University	
Initial experiences	
Making friends	
Entertainment outlets	
Lack of prejudices	
College education (continued)	0:42
About Kent Hance	
About Los Tertulianos	
Reasons he dropped out	
Lack of money	
Job and marriage	
Other issues	
Views on cost of education	
Career in music	0:54
His experiences on playing guitar during his freshman year	
Los Premiers	
Formed a band 20 years later with stepson	
Released a CD	
Composing music	1:04
Inspirations	
Lyrics	
Disintegration of his group	
About members of Los Premiers	
Other musicians	
Other recollections	1:16
About being inducted	
Benefits of his education and musical inclinations	
Experience on applying for FBI job	
Other recollections (continued)	1:27
Perks of his job at Houston	
Determining his major	
Prejudices at work	
Occupations	

About his values

1:37

Respect for all

Importance of knowing your background

About “Billy” Bidal Agüero

Interview ended

DATE OF BIRTH OF INFORMANT: 1945

GENDER OF INFORMANT: Male

ETHNICITY OF INFORMANT: Mexican American