ORAL HISTORY COLLECTION

MAIN ENTRY: Choate, Jerry

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LOCATION OF INTERVIEW: Hayes, Kansas

INTERVIEWER: David Marshall

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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE: Jerry Choate talks about his life, especially his

career as a student at the University of Kansas and as a professor at different institutions, about his field work and collections of specimens, meaningful people in his life, and stories about some of his

friends.

ABSTRACT:

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Introduction 00:00

His family

His dad in the army and his death

Mother remarried

Living poor in his childhood

Interacting with Native Americans

Field trips

His early education 00:12

Professor that made an impact on his life

Getting kicked out of the university

Being a rebel.

How he meet his wife 00:20

His college experience

How he got accepted to the University of Kansas

Raymond Hawking

Fieldwork with Hawking	00:30
Hawking specimen collection	
Experience with Professor Knox Jones	
Description of Knox Jones	
Knox going to Texas Tech	
Hugh Genoways	00:43
Carl Philips	
Robert Baker	
Robert Packer	
His experience at the University of Connecticut	00:52
The collection at the University of Connecticut	
Moving to Fort Hays State University	
Responsibilities with the mammal collection	01:03
Improving the university programs	
Finding a new museum	
Story about the new building	
Things needed for the museum	01:13
Raising money for the University	
1998 award	
Specimen count in Kansas	
Comparing natural history museums	01:26
Problems in natural history museums	
Field biology at Fort Hays State University	
Interest in the Plains mammals	01:36
Technology changes	
Armadillos	
Animal cognizance and behavior	01:49
Conservation	
E. Raymond Hall	

DATE OF BIRTH OF INFORMANT: March 21, 1943

GENDER OF INFORMANT: Male

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