

ORAL HISTORY COLLECTION

MAIN ENTRY: Murrah, David

DATE OF INTERVIEW: February 15, 2007

LOCATION OF INTERVIEW: Rockport, Texas

INTERVIEWER: David Marshall

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IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: CD# 4173 2132 9896

LENGTH OF INTERVIEW: 2:11

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE: David Murrah talks about his life, about his family, his vocational search, and the people that influenced him the most, but mainly about the years at Texas Tech as a student and as faculty and Director of the SWC.

ABSTRACT:

CD ONE

TIME STAMP

Part 1

Background information on his family	00:00
Talks about his parents	
Family business	
The decision to be a teacher	
Getting a job as a history teacher	00:10
Teaching at Morton, Texas	
Registration to a master's program at Texas Tech	
The classes he taught in Morton.	
Researching Slaughter Ranch materials at Southwest Collection	00:22
Conducting interviews about the Lubbock tornado	
Working part time for the SWC	
Getting remarried	

His interest in history	00:30
Major in history and minor in Bible	
Church history classes	
Dr. Rupert Richardson	
Promoted to Director of the Southwest Collection	00:45
Finishing his dissertation	
Ernest Wallace	
David Vigness	00:52
Seymour “Ike” Connor	
William Curry Holden	01:00
Symposium celebrating 25 th anniversary of the SWC	
Being in charge of the Southwest Collection	
Part 2	
Talks about his first time using the Southwest Collection Library	00:00
The idea of a new building for the Southwest Collection Library	
Sketching the new SWC building on a napkin	00:10
Talking about the Building	
The Dairy Barn	
The relationship between the SWC and the main library	00:24
Administration	
Building endowments	00:34
Funds for the Building	
Work-study students	
Choosing collections	00:39
Friends of the Library/Southwest Collection	
Projects and collections	
Ike Connor projects	00:51
Article he wrote about the SWC	
The West Texas Historical Association connection with the SWC	01:00

DATE OF BIRTH OF INFORMANT: September 13, 1941

GENDER OF INFORMANT: Male

ETHNICITY OF INFORMANT: White