

Myers-Nelson Family Collection

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Summary Information

Repository	James K. Hosmer Special Collections Library
Creator - Writer of accompanying material	Myers, Leslie William
Creator - Writer of accompanying material	Myers-Nelson, Beverly June, 1925-51
Creator - Author	Patten, Lindley Hughes
Title	Myers-Nelson Family Collection
Date	1947-1969
Extent	0.2 Linear feet
Language	English
Mixed materials [Box]	1
Books [Box]	1

Biography

Beverly June Myers-Nelson was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota October 4, 1924 and died in Rochester, Minnesota May 26, 1951 while undergoing treatment for a heart ailment at the Mayo Clinic.

She attended Kenwood grad school, Northrup Collegiate School for girls; later graduating from the Los Angeles Junior High and West High School in Minneapolis. She completed all of the twelve grades in religious Education at the Cathedral Church of St. Mark, graduating with honors. She was confirmed in the Episcopal church although attended the Catholic church on many occasions with her husband who was of that faith.

She attended the University of Minnesota and the University of Texas, qualifying for pre-medical school at Texas U. She was an active member of the Drama Club and took part in other student activities. After completing about four years of University studies she decided to quit school and was married to Eugene Ross Nelson on April 15, 1947 and resided with her husband at Tonka Bay, Excelsior, Minnesota until the time of her death. [From the preface to the collection of poems]

Leslie W. Myers was born in Webb City, Mo, in 1894 and attended the University of Minnesota. Educated in optometry, Myers later joined the N.P. Benson Co. (later Benson optical), eventually rising to become chairman of the board. Myers was an avid collector of antique eyeware. He also served on the Board of the Hennepin History Museum.

Description of Collection

Consists of a volume of poems by Myers, Myers-Nelson and Patten compiled by Myers as a tribute to his daughter. This contains some biographical material, as well. Also included is a clipping file on Myers and his wife, Hazel.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Controlled Access Headings

Personal Name(s)

- Nelson, Hazel

Subject(s)

- American poetry -- 20th century.
- Opticians

Collection Inventory

Poems of Yesteryear 1951	
	Box
Mixed materials	1
	Box
Books	1
	Box
Clippings 1952-1969	1