Shirley B. Brown Papers
(C4456)

Collection Number: C4456

Collection Title: Shirley B. Brown Papers

Dates: 1964

Creator: Brown, Shirley B., 1944-

Abstract: A scrapbook and memorabilia of Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority at the University of Missouri-Columbia, and childhood and family photographs.

Collection Size: 0.2 cubic feet
(4 folders)

Language: Collection materials are in English.

Repository: The State Historical Society of Missouri

Restrictions on Access: Collection is open for research. This collection is available at The State Historical Society of Missouri Research Center-Columbia. If you would like more information, please contact us at columbia@sh smo.org. Collections may be viewed at any research center.

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Preferred Citation: [Specific item; box number; folder number] Shirley B. Brown Papers (C4456); The State Historical Society of Missouri Research Center-Columbia [after first mention may be abbreviated to SHSMO-Columbia].

Donor Information: The papers were donated to the University of Missouri by Shirley Bowden Brown on April 29, 1993 (Accession No. CA5288).

Processed by: Processed by Laura Jolley on September 20, 2021.

Historical Note:

Shirley Bowden Brown attended the University of Missouri in the early 1960s and became a member of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, which established a chapter at the university in 1964. She received a BS in Education and became the first African American teacher at Russell
Boulevard Elementary School in Columbia. Shirley married Charles R. Brown, another educator, in 1966. The couple eventually made their way back to St. Louis, Missouri, where they both became accomplished in various education positions. They jointly received the Lifetime Achiever in Education Award in 2019.

**Arrangement:**

The collection has been arranged into the following series:

**Papers**

**Scope and Content Note:**

**Papers**

The papers include copy negatives and copy prints of Shirley Bowden Brown with her family as well as the papers from her Alpha Kappa Alpha scrapbook, which includes information about the sorority, photographs of Shirley and her friends in college, and artifacts pertaining to the sorority. The scrapbook was created in 1964.

**Container List:**

f. 1   Family photographs, 1950s-1960s
f. 2-4  Alpha Kappa Alpha Scrapbook

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