



Clyde Faries Collection (C4770)

Collection Number: C4770

Collection Title: Clyde Faries Collection

Dates: no date

Creator: Faries, Clyde

Abstract: Audio cassettes of folk music and materials concerning Clyde Faries and the Faries family.

Collection Size: 0.1 cubic foot, 10 audio cassettes
(2 folders)

Language: Collection materials are in English.

Repository: The State Historical Society of Missouri

Restrictions on Access: Collection is open for research but may be stored offsite. This collection is available at [The State Historical Society of Missouri Research Center-Columbia](http://www.shsmo.org/research-center-columbia). If you would like more information, please contact us at columbia@shsmo.org. Collections may be viewed at any research center.

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Preferred Citation: [Specific item; box number; folder number] *Clyde Faries Collection* (C4770); The State Historical Society of Missouri Research Center-Columbia [after first mention may be abbreviated to SHSMO-Columbia].

Donor Information: The records were loaned for reproduction to the University of Missouri by Clyde Faries on September 13, 1996 (Accessions No. CA5645, CA5659). Additions were loaned for reproduction by Rebecca Schroeder on September 28, 1996 (Accession No. CA5645.01) and donated by same on March 6, 1997 (Accession No. CA5702).

Related Materials: Additional materials related to the Clyde Faries Collection can be found in the following collections:

[*Missouri Folklore Society Records*](#), (C2045)

[*Robert P. Christeson Collection*](#), (C3971)

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Historical Note:

Clyde Faries was born in Rombauer, Missouri, on July 8, 1928. His parents were Darcy Orton and Inis Faries. Clyde earned a PhD in Rhetoric and Public Address from University of Missouri and was a professor and department chair at Western Illinois University until his retirement in the 1980s. In addition to his love of academia, Faries was interested in music and folklore, serving as president of the Missouri Folklore Society for a time, and performed British and American folk music. Clyde passed on March 26, 2019.

Charles Farris was born in 1925 and lived in Farmington, Missouri. He was a folk musician and member of Missouri Folklore Society, primarily known for harmonica and guitar. He passed away in 1995.

Arrangement:

The collection has been arranged into the following 2 series:

Records

Audiovisual Materials

Scope and Content Note:

Records

This series contains one lyric book of songs sung by the Faries family and track lists for audio cassettes contained in the Audiovisual Materials series.

Audiovisual Materials

This series consists of 10 audio cassettes of traditional songs recorded by Clyde Faries in memory of his brother, Charles Farris.

Container List:

Records

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|------|---------------------------------------|
| f. 1 | Faries family song lyrics, undated |
| f. 2 | Track lists for audio cassettes, 1996 |

Audiovisual Materials

a.c. 1	Songs recorded by Clyde Faries, undated
a.c. 2-8	Songs recorded by Dr. Clyde J. Faries in memory of his brother Charles, undated
a.c. 9	Songs recorded by Clyde Faries, undated
a.c. 10	“A Bunch of Time: Heritage Songs in Honor of Charles Farris”

Index:

Index Terms	Folder	Medium	Image
Faries, Clyde, 1928-2019	f. 1, 2	a.c. 1-10	
Farris, Charles, 1925-1995	f. 1, 2	a.c. 10	
Folk music	f. 1, 2	a.c. 1-10	