



## Harris Family Photographs (C2415)

**Collection Number:** C2415

**Collection Title:** Harris Family Photographs

**Dates:** c. 1880s-1960s

**Creator:** Harris, Julia Warren, collector

**Abstract:** Photographs of family, friends, employers, church, and schools collected by Julia Warren Harris. Two folders contain postcards, a few letters, and announcements. The collection is a vivid portrait of black family and social life in Boone County, MO.

**Collection Size:** 1.0 cubic foot  
(60 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](https://digital.shsmo.org/digital/collection/imc/search/searchterm/harris%20family%20photographs/field/audien/mode/exact/conn/and). If you would like more information, please contact us at [columbia@shsmo.org](mailto:columbia@shsmo.org). Collections may be viewed at any research center.

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**Donor Information:** The photographs were donated to the University of Missouri by Frances Jones-Sneed on March 3, 1986 (Accession No. CA4700).

**Alternate Forms Available:** The collection has been digitized and is available online at: <https://digital.shsmo.org/digital/collection/imc/search/searchterm/harris%20family%20photographs/field/audien/mode/exact/conn/and>.

**Processed by:** Processed by Sharon L. Fleming on January 28, 1987. Finding aid revised by Elizabeth Engel on October 8, 2021.

**Historical Note:**

These photographs belonged to Julia Warren Harris and her sister Cassie Warren Gilmore. They were presented to the sisters by family, friends, and employers. The Warren family and descendants lived in the Three Creeks area of Boone County, Ashland, and Columbia, Missouri.

**Arrangement:**

Folders 1-31 are arranged alphabetically by family name. Photographs of individuals and groups, arranged in alphabetical order by family name. In group shots the filing decision was arbitrary. Photographs cover all stages of life from infancy to the grave. Very few are dated. In addition to formal poses, there are snapshots of work and recreational activities.

The remaining photographs are arranged by category or subject. Folders 59 and 60 contain a few letters, announcements, and postcards; these contain little substantive information.

**Scope and Content Note:**

The collection documents black family life, social and church events, and education for several generations. Of special interest are the economic and social conditions depicted. Clothing styles, automobiles, and houses and their locations indicate prevailing trends and racial attitudes. The principal weaknesses are the lack of dates and the number of unidentified photographs.

**Container List:**

f. 1	Baker family
f. 2	Barnett and Bartell families
f. 3-4	Bass family
f. 5	Brown, Burgett, and Burton families
f. 6	Cantrell, Carter, and Cochran families
f. 7	Collins family
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f. 9	Cross and Davis families
f. 10	Ellis family
f. 11	Gilmore family
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f. 18	Jackson and Jones families
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f. 20	Logan family
f. 21	Minnors, Pitts, Roberson, and Robinson families
f. 22	Robnett, Roerts, and Russell families
f. 23	Slater, Smith, and Stine families
f. 24	Turner family
f. 25-27	Warren family
f. 28	Vaughn(s) family [NOTE: The spelling of the name varies.]
f. 29	Williams and Williamson families
f. 30	Wiseman, Wisely, and Wood families
f. 31	Young family
f. 32-33	Photographs identified by first name only or by family relationship.

- f. 34-35 Children. Formal and informal photographs of unidentified children from infancy to young adults.
- f. 36 Church and Ministers. Most pertain to Log Providence Baptist Church, Boone County, Missouri. Subjects include picnics, cemetery cleaning, baptisms, and portraits of ministers.
- f. 37-42 Family/Group. Unidentified parents with children, couples, and small groups.
- f. 43-44 Men
- f. 45 Military. Unidentified men in U.S. Army and Navy uniforms from World Wars I and II and, probably, Korea.
- f. 46 School Groups. Class photographs, including Hayden and Grindstone schools.
- f. 47-50 Women
- f. 51-52 Objects. Houses, construction work, bridges, farms, chicken, geese, cattle, horses, tourist views, and postcards.
- f. 53 Whites
- f. 54 Meteor, 1924. Yearbook from Frederick Douglass School, Columbia, Missouri.
- f. 55 Photograph Album I. Photographs of family and friends with comic captions.
- f. 56-58 Photograph Album II
- f. 59 Album II--Miscellaneous. Loose items found in album. Includes Julia Harris' notes as treasurer for Log Providence Church (1940-1941) and Olivet Baptist Church Herald, Chicago, July 1960.
- f. 60 Correspondence, 1889-1963. Letters, postcards, and announcements.

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