



**Sara Lees Mason Papers
(K0575)**

Collection Number: K0575

Collection Title: Sara Lees Mason Papers

Dates: 1951-1991

Creator: Mason, Sara Lees

Abstract: The Sara Lees Mason Papers contain correspondence, photographs, and training materials related to Mason's career as an airline hostess, in-flight supervisor, and director of customer service with Trans World Airlines.

Collection Size: 0.49 cubic foot
(11 folders, 4 photographs)

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-Kansas City](#). If you would like more information, please contact us at kansascity@shsmo.org. Collections may be viewed at any research center.

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Donor Information: The papers were donated to the State Historical Society of Missouri by Holly Sullivan on August 18, 2000 (Accession No. KA1825).

Related Materials: Additional materials related to the Sara Lees Mason Papers can be found in the following collections:

Trans World Airlines Records (K0453)

Notes: Collection is associated with the TWA Archives.

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Historical Note:

Sara Lees Mason, originally from Jonesboro, Arkansas, attended the University of Mississippi, where she majored in liberal arts and was a member of Kappa Delta Sorority. In January 1952, Mason started as an airline hostess trainee with Trans World Airlines (TWA). After completing her training, Mason flew as an airline hostess, based out of Kansas City. Mason worked in several capacities with TWA, including 15 years as an in-flight supervisor and as director of customer service. Mason returned to in-flight service, flying to Hawaii and Europe, before retiring in 1987. Mason died April 4, 2010 at the age of 81.

Arrangement:

The collection has been arranged into 11 folders.

Scope and Content Note:

The collection contains correspondence, photographs, and training materials related to Sara Lees Mason's career as an airline hostess, in-flight supervisor, and director of customer service with TWA. Folder one consists of correspondence concerning TWA's acceptance of Mason as an airline hostess trainee and compliments Mason received from patrons. Folder four contains two photographs of hostess training conducted by TWA as well as two additional photographs of travel.

Container List:

Box 001	f. 1	Correspondence, 1951, 1986-1987
	f. 2	Certificate of Competency, 1972
	f. 3	TWA Stock Certificate, 1989
	f. 4	Photographs, 1988, 1991, nodate
	f. 5-8	Flight Service Manuals, 1972, 1988
	f. 9	Emergency Procedures Handbook, 1988
	f. 10	<i>Legacy of Leadership</i> , 1971
	f. 11	"On the Line," 1989

Index:

Index Term	Folder	Image
Airlines	1-11	Yes
Employees--Training of	1-2, 4-9, 11	Yes
Flight attendants	1-11	Yes
Stock certificates	3	
Trans World Airlines	1-11	Yes