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Abstract: The Turley Family Historical Research Association Records contain historical and genealogical materials related to the Turley family collected by the Turley Family Historical Research Association. The records include copies of family papers, genealogical research, photographs, correspondence, and financial records of the Association.

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Historical Note:

The Turley Family Historical Research Association was organized in Arkansas by Turley descendants to research and document the history of the Turley family in the United States. Members and researchers were located throughout the United States. The group traced the Turley family members who emigrated from England to the United States. In particular, they researched family lines in Virginia, Maryland, Delaware, Indiana, Kentucky, Illinois, Missouri, North Carolina, Tennessee, West Virginia, and New Mexico. Significant contributors to the Association's research included: Beth Mitchell, Ruth Collins, Patricia Lindgren, Lester Turley, and Gibson Turley. The group published the *Turley Family Records* in 1981. The Association disbanded in July 2005.

Much of the Association's research was focused on the family line of Benjamin Turley (1762-) and his wife Nancy (Noland) Turley (-). Benjamin was born in Maryland in 1762. During the Revolutionary War, he served under Colonel Archibald Orme. Afterwards he moved to Rowan County, North Carolina. There he married Nancy Ann Noland and together they had ten children: Daniel, Stephen, Samuel, James N., Mary, Elizabeth, Jesse, Anna, Simeon, and Mathilda. In 1796, the family moved to Madison County, Kentucky where Benjamin died in 1812. Some of Benjamin and Nancy's sons, along with other extended family members, moved to Missouri in the early 1810s and settled in Cooper County.

Arrangement:

The collection has been arranged into the following two series and nine subseries:

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- Turley Family
- Related Families
- Geographical Research
- Research Resources

Administration

- Members
- Reports
- Financial
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Scope and Content Note:

Genealogy Research

This series contains genealogical research conducted by members of the Turley Family Historical Research Association. The Turley Family subseries contains research done on various Turley family members and family lines. This research includes correspondence, photocopies of records, family chart sheets, and compilations of information in graphs and articles.

The Related Families consists of research on other family lines connected to the Turley family; the materials include family chart sheets, correspondence, and photocopies of original records.

The Geographical Research subseries contains research done on multiple individuals and family lines of the Turley family within a geographical location. Research materials include photocopies and transcripts of records for marriages, deaths and birth dates, land records, and property taxes. This series is arranged by state and countries.

The Research Resources subseries consists of compiled family histories, marriage records, military records, land records, newspaper articles, wills, and photographs related to the Turley family. Each series is arranged alphabetically.

Administration

This series consists of the records, correspondence, and publications for the Turley Family Historical Association. The member subseries contains records pertaining to the membership of the Historical Association, including mailing lists and lists of researchers. Members of the Association including Beth Mitchell, Pat Lindgren, Lester F. Turley, and many others made significant contributions to the records.

The reports subseries contains progress reports and findings of genealogist conducting research on the Turley family for the Historical Association.

The financial subseries contains the financial records for the Historical Association, including book sales, membership dues, and the Association's tax-exempt status.

The correspondence subseries consists of letters written between members regarding research, membership, and publication of the Turley family history book.

The photograph subseries contains images of the Turley family from family reunions and copies and originals sent to the Historical Association from family members. Of note is a Turley family reunion photograph from 1919 found in folder 161.

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