



## Cummins Family Photographs (SP0006)

**Collection Number:** SP0006

**Collection Title:** Cummins Family Photographs

**Dates:** 1850-1934

**Creator:** Unknown

**Abstract:** The Cummins Family Photographs consist of multiple portraits of adults, children, and candid shots of the family. Also included is some family correspondence, created from 1910 to 1934.

**Collection Size:** .5 cubic foot  
(20 folders, approximately 210 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-Springfield](#). If you would like more information, please contact us at [springfield@shsmo.org](mailto:springfield@shsmo.org). Collections may be viewed at any research center.

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**Preferred Citation:** [Specific item; box number; folder number] *Cummins Family Photographs* (SP0006); The State Historical Society of Missouri Research Center-Springfield [after first mention may be abbreviated to SHSMO-Springfield].

**Donor Information:** The photographs were donated to the State Historical Society of Missouri by Wayne Glenn on July 8, 2015 (Accession No. SPA0008).

**Processed by:** Processed by Erin Smither, July 27, 2015

**Biographical Note:**

James Bolger Cummins, was born in Tennessee, the son of Malachi Colonel Cummins, and Lucinda Sullivan. They relocated to Sparta, Missouri, shortly after the Civil War and moved in next door to the James Carter family. James Cummins grew up and eventually fell in love with Emma Jane Carter and they married in 1884. Together they had three children, though only Albert, would survive into adulthood. He too married the girl next door, Miss Mabel Allred. Together they had one son named Hubert Ray. All are buried in the Linden (or Friend) Cemetery in Sparta.

**Arrangement:**

The photographs have been arranged into five folders and are divided by subject. Most images are undated.

**Scope and Content:**

The photographs consist of portraits of adults and children, as well as snap shots of daily life. Most of the photographs are unnamed, though photographs of Albert and his parents have been identified. Also of note is a letter written to Emma by her brother Tom regarding the death of James. Correspondence is arranged chronologically. Photographs have been arranged topically.

**Container List:**

Box 001	f. 1	Correspondence, 1910-1934
	f. 2	Adult portraits, no date
	f. 3	Children and babies, no date
	f. 4	Candid shots, no date
	f. 5	Ambrotype, no date

**Index:**

Index Term	Folder	Image
Cummins, Albert, 1900-1958	1-2	Yes
Cummins, Emma Jane Carter, 1865-1937	1-4	Yes
Cummins, James Bolger, 1861-1934	1-2, 4	Yes
Christian County (Mo.)	1-5	Yes
Photographs	2-5	Yes