

# FRAZIER, LUTHER, 1904-1984.

## Luther Frazier papers, 1951-2003

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## Descriptive Summary

**Creator:** Frazier, Luther, 1904-1984.  
**Title:** Luther Frazier papers, 1951-2003  
**Call Number:** Manuscript Collection No. 1509  
**Extent:** .5 linear feet (1 box) and 1 oversized papers box (OP)  
**Abstract:** Papers of Luther Frazier, long-time Atlanta, Georgia, restaurateur, including correspondence, clippings, and photographs.  
**Language:** Materials entirely in English.

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## Administrative Information

### Restrictions on Access

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### Related Materials in Other Repositories

Evelyn J. Frazier papers, Auburn Avenue Research Library on African-American Culture and History

### Separated Material

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**Source**

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**Citation**

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**Appraisal Note**

Acquired by Curator of African American Collections, Pellom McDaniels, III, as part of the Rose Library's holdings in the history of African Americans in Atlanta, Georgia. All material that formed the original gift has been retained.

**Processing**

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**Collection Description****Biographical Note**

Luther E. Frazier (1904-1984) was born in Washington, Georgia, to Will and Annie Frazier. He moved to Atlanta, Georgia, in the 1920s. He married Evelyn Jones on April 18, 1940, and they opened the Frazier Cafe Society on Hunter Street (now, Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive) in Atlanta. Frazier's Café Society has been noted as being the first African American-owned and continually operated restaurant in Atlanta. It has served as a meeting place for civil rights activists as well as other African American political, religious, and social organizations. Frazier also worked as golfer Bobby Jones's chauffeur for 20 years.

**Scope and Content Note**

The collection consists of the papers of Luther Frazier and contains funeral and biographical information Frazier, newspaper clippings, photographs of Frazier and his farm, a small amount of correspondence, and printed materials including programs, pamphlets, and Grier's Almanacs. There is also a scrapbook that includes correspondence, photographs, and clippings regarding Bobby Jones.

**Arrangement Note**

Arranged in alphabetical order

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## Container List

Box	Folder	Content
1	1	Celebration of Life program, C.A. Scott, 2000
1	2	Certificate, 1972
1	3	Correspondence, 1952-1983
1	4	Funeral and biographical materials, Luther Frazier, 1984
1	5	Newspaper clippings, 1964-2003
1	6	Photographs, "farm," undated
1	7	Photographs, Luther family, undated
OP1	1	Printed materials, calendar and promotional material, 1985
1	8	Printed materials, <i>Delegate</i> , 1985
1	9	Printed materials, Graham Jackson, undated
1	10	Printed materials, MARTA annual report, 25th Anniversary, 2004
1	11	Printed materials, pamphlets and programs, 1951-2003
1	12	Scrapbook, "Bobby Jones and Uncle Luke," 1920s, 1955-1957, 1981

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