

# LEWYN, BERT, 1923- Bert and Esther Lewyn family papers, 1920-2009

Emory University  
Stuart A. Rose Manuscript, Archives, and Rare Book Library  
Atlanta, GA 30322  
404-727-6887  
rose.library@emory.edu



## Collection Stored Off-Site

All or portions of this collection are housed off-site. Materials can still be requested but researchers should expect a delay of up to two business days for retrieval.

---

## Descriptive Summary

|                     |  |
|---------------------|--|
| <b>Creator:</b>     | Lewyn, Bert, 1923-   |
| <b>Title:</b>       | Bert and Esther Lewyn family papers, 1920-2009   |
| <b>Call Number:</b> | Manuscript Collection No. 1148   |
| <b>Extent:</b>      | 3 linear ft. (3 boxes)   |
| <b>Abstract:</b>    | Family papers of Bert and Esther Lewyn, consisting primarily of material relating to the publication of Bert Lewyn's Holocaust memoir, <i>On the Run in Nazi Berlin</i> , in addition to family correspondence, photographs, and printed material. |
| <b>Language:</b>    | Materials entirely in English.   |

---

## Administrative Information

### Restrictions on Access

Collection stored off-site. Researchers must contact the Rose Library in advance to access this collection.

### Terms Governing Use and Reproduction

All requests subject to limitations noted in departmental policies on reproduction.

### Source

Gift, 2010.

### Citation

[after identification of item(s)], Bert and Esther Lewyn family papers, Stuart A. Rose Manuscript, Archives, and Rare Book Library, Emory University.

*Emory Libraries provides copies of its finding aids for use only in research and private study. Copies supplied may not be copied for others or otherwise distributed without prior consent of the holding repository.*

**Processing**

Unprocessed collection.

---

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

Bert (Dagobert) Lewyn was born in Berlin, Germany on April 2, 1923. In 1942, his parents were deported to a Nazi concentration camp, and Lewyn was conscripted as a slave laborer in a weapons factory. He escaped and lived underground in Berlin until World War II ended. In 1949, Lewyn emigrated to Atlanta, Georgia, where he married Esther Sloan (1925-) in 1951. The Lewyns have five children, Andrea Jo, Lawrence David, Marc Jonathon, Cynthia Jane, and Michael Evan. Bert Lewyn started the Lewyn Machinery Company in 1952, and ran the business until his retirement in 1991. In 2001, he published his memoir, *On the Run in Nazi Berlin*.

**Scope and Content Note**

The collection consists of the family papers of Bert and Esther Lewyn from 1920-2009. The papers consist primarily of material relating to the publication of Bert Lewyn's Holocaust memoir, *On the Run in Nazi Berlin*, published in 2001. The collection also includes family correspondence, photographs, and printed material.

**Arrangement Note**

Unprocessed collection.

