Collection Summary

ID Number: MSS 244

Title: Lee William Jones Collection

Extent: 2 Boxes

Span Dates: 1910s – 1980s

Language: English

Geographic Location: Various

Abstract: The Lee William Jones Collection consists of photographs and other items about NASA in various space centers across the United States from 1918 to 1988.

Historical Notes: Lee William Jones was born July 12, 1921 in the Oklahoma panhandle, but moved to San Jose, CA in 1927 after the Dust Bowl put an end to the family farm in Oklahoma. He graduated from San Jose High School and attended San Jose State University. He was drafted into the Air Force in World War II and sent to photography school. Upon his 1945 discharge, it was suggested that his photography skills might be of use at the then new NASA's Ames Research Center. He interviewed and was hired on the spot, working as an official photographer for NASA for 35 years, stationed at Ames Research Center in Mountain View, CA. Because his work was always credited to NASA, his name is not as well-known as deserved. He was married to his wife, Alberta, and had a daughter and two sons. Jones died March 27, 1996.

Selected Search Terms

Keywords: Events; American History; Aircraft

Related Materials: Arts and Entertainment; Business and Industry; Government and Politics; History; Photographs; Publications; Related Materials -- 1901-1950; Related Materials -- 1951-2000; Related Materials -- n.d.; Special Collections; Transportation

Administrative Information

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