



Western Michigan Genealogical Society's Manuscript Collection



The Western Michigan Genealogical Society's (WMGS) Manuscript Collection is currently housed at the Grand Rapids Public Library Main Branch on the third floor. The public has full access to the collection during normal library hours. An index to this collection is available in hard copy and will be added to the WMGS website (wmgs.org) as a searchable index.

The Collection consists of a variety of unpublished materials donated from individuals to be preserved for research purposes. These materials include letters, photos, newspaper clippings, Bible records, vital records, DAR applications, researcher notes, family group sheets and pedigree sheets.

You can help WMGS preserve our Michigan heritage by donating your family history to the WMGS Manuscript Collection. Future generations will be able to find their family history because of your dedication to preserving and willingness to share your family heritage.

Contributions to the WMGS Manuscript Collection can be made by:

1. Mailing it to
 WMGS Manuscript Chairperson
 C/o Grand Rapids Public Library
 111 Library St., NE
 Grand Rapids, MI 49503

2. Bring your documents to one of the monthly WMGS meetings that are held the first Saturday of every month (except July and August) at the Grand Rapids Public Library Main branch. A complete schedule of meetings can be found at wmgs.org. Any board member will be happy to receive your documents and see that they are given to the Manuscript Chairperson

Questions regarding the Collection can be emailed to wmgs@wmgs.org (subject Manuscripts) or snail mailed to the above address.

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I am interested in contributing documents to the WMGS Manuscript Collection. Please have the Manuscript committee contact me as soon as possible.

Contributor's Name: _____

Phone number and best time to call: _____

Contact me through my eMail address: _____

The following is a summary of what I wish to donate to WMGS: