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**A Finding Aid to the  
Neil Brief Papers**

**Manuscript Collection No. 814**



## Collection Summary

<b>Title</b>	Neil Brief Papers
<b>Dates</b>	1962-1970
<b>Collection Number</b>	MS-814
<b>Repository</b>	The Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives
<b>Creator</b>	Brief, Neil, 1934-2024
<b>Extent</b>	2 linear feet (2 record cartons)
<b>Language of the Material</b>	English

## Administrative Information

**Biographical Sketch** Neil Brief was born in Brooklyn, New York, on October 10, 1934. Ordained by the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in 1960, he served the Ventura County Jewish Council and Temple Beth Torah from 1962 to 1970 before spending 33 years as rabbi of Ezra Habonim-The Niles Township Jewish Congregation in Skokie, Illinois. He died on January 27, 2024.

**Scope and Content** Correspondence, reports, clippings, and other materials concerning the Ventura County Jewish Council and Temple Beth Torah of Ventura, California arranged in chronological order.

**Arrangement** This collection is arranged in one (1) series: A. General.

**Terms of Access** The collection is open for use; no restrictions apply

**Preferred Citation** Footnotes and bibliographic references should refer to the Neil Brief Papers and the American Jewish Archives. A suggestion for at least the first citation is as follows:  
  
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**Provenance** Received from Neil Brief, Skokie, Ill., March 1985.

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## Index Terms

**Subjects** Brief, Neil, 1934-2024 / Military chaplains / Temple Beth Torah (Ventura, Calif.) / Ventura County Jewish Council (Calif.)

## Series A. General, 1962-1970

### Box and Folder Listing

- Box 1. Folder 1. Brief, 1962
- Box 1. Folder 2. A–L, 1963
- Box 1. Folder 3. M–Z, 1963
- Box 1. Folder 4. Pulpit Committee
- Box 1. Folder 5. A–L, 1964
- Box 1. Folder 6. A–L, 1965

Box 1. Folder 7. M-Z, 1965

Box 1. Folder 8. M-Z, 1966

Box 1. Folder 9. M-Z, 1967

Box 2. Folder 1. A-L, 1968

Box 2. Folder 2. M-Z, 1968

Box 2. Folder 3. Correspondence, 1969

Box 2. Folder 4. Correspondence, 1970