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Stanley J. Garfein Papers

Manuscript Collection No. 793
Collection Summary

Title
Stanley J. Garfein Papers

Dates

Collection Number
MS-793

Repository
The Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives

Creator
Garfein, Stanley J., 1937

Extent
2 linear feet (2 record cartons)

Language of the Material
English

Administrative Information

Biographical Sketch
Stanley J. Garfein was born in Louisville, Kentucky in 1937. In 1959 he received his bachelor's degree from the University of Pennsylvania and was ordained at the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in 1964. He served student pulpits in Muskogee, Oklahoma, Petoskey, Michigan, and Evansville, Indiana. After ordination, he served Temple Israel of Creve Coeur, St. Louis, Missouri, from 1964-1966. The remainder of his career was spent at Temple Israel in Tallahassee, Florida from 1966-2001, after which he retired and became Rabbi Emeritus. In 2007 he published his first children's book, Tales of the Temple Mice, and he currently serves as president of the Jewish Genealogical Society of Tallahassee. Throughout his career he has been a vigorous advocate for social justice, and has been politically active in Tallahassee, often offering the open prayers at sessions of the Florida Senate and House of Representatives.

Rabbi Garfein and his wife Vivian have two daughters.

Scope and Content
The Stanley J. Garfein papers consist primarily of annual reports and addresses presented by Rabbi Garfein to Temple Israel, Tallahassee, Fla., between 1970-2001. Records from 1970-1989 are incomplete; the bulk of the collection consists of reports dated from 1990-2001. Files contain background correspondence, clippings, and other material concerning the activities and programs of Temple Israel during this time. Included is a file on the visit of KKK leader David Duke to Tallahassee in 1997.

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 Stanley J. Garfein Papers and the American Jewish Archives. A suggestion for at least the first citation is as follows:

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Index Terms

Subjects
Rabbis / Synagogues -- Florida -- Tallahassee

Personal Names
Duke, David, 1950-

Corporate Names
Temple Israel (Tallahassee, Fla.)

Series A. General, 1970-2001
Box and Folder Listing

Box 2. Folder 1-12. Addresses and annual reports presented to Temple Israel, 1997-2001