

Brenda Gray-Lyle Collection (AC151)

Introduction:

The Brenda Gray-Lyle Collection features several personal documents, including poetry she has written, family reunion photographs, and a newspaper clipping about Central High School, where she attended.

Descriptive Summary:

Creator: Brenda Gray-Lyle

Title: Brenda Gray-Lyle Collection

Date Range: 1984-1991

Size: 0.209 Linear Feet (1 box)

Collection Number: AC151

Donor Information:

Donald Maxwell, 9/3/25

Citation Note:

Brenda Gray-Lyle Collection (AC151), Black Archives of Mid-America, Kansas City, Missouri

Related Collections:

AC71 Central High School Yearbook Collection

Administrative Information:

Reproduction Restrictions: Unrestricted.

Access Restrictions: Unrestricted.

Biographical Sketch

Brenda went to Central High School in Kansas City, Missouri. She earned a Master of Arts in Education with a focus on African American Studies from the University of Missouri, Kansas City, graduating in 1974. She is now a freelance writer and motivational speaker.

Scope and Content Note:

The collection includes a cassette tape in unknown condition.

Collection Inventory:**Series 1: The Kansas City Star Newspaper Clipping**

f. 1 June 1991

Series 2: Photocopied Photographs

f. 2 Reunion photographs

Series 3: Poems

f. 3

- a. "Moving to the Top of the Hill," by Brenda Lyle-Gray, no date.
- b. "Christmas in Santa Fe Place," by Brenda Lyle-Gray, no date.

Series 4: Memorandum

f. 4 Sales Receipt, 1984

Series 5: Cassette Tape

f. 5 Excel Issues & Answers with Joyce Wallace, 1985 (unknown condition).

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Sources:

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Gray-Lyle, Brenda. "LinkedIn." Accessed January 2026. <https://www.linkedin.com/in/brenda-lyle-gray-05117332>