

**Title:** Zadie Key Papers

**Dates:** 1969–1991

**Creator:** Zadie Key

## **Summary/Abstract:**

The Zadie Key Papers include scrapbooks, letters, clippings, newspapers, photographs, cookbooks, and commemorative items chronicling Mrs. Key's life and political career. Ms. Key participated in the activities of political and community organizations such as the Rutherford County Democratic Committee, the Chamber of Commerce, the United Way, and the Rutherford County Historical Society, and presided over the Rutherford County Democratic Women's Club as its president.

Quantity/Physical Description: 1.75 linear feet

Languages(s): English

**Repository:** Albert Gore Research Center, Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro,

TN 37132, (615) 898-2632

**Restrictions on Access:** None

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**Acquisition:** Suma Clark (*Senior Edition* volumes and 1974–1975 scrapbook); remainder of unknown provenance

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**Biographical Note**: Zadie Key (October 20, 1921–August 30, 1992) studied at Middle Tennessee State Teacher's College. She returned to work for her alma mater, and won the title of Secretary of the Year in 1971. She was an active participant in political and community

organizations, such as the Rutherford County Democratic Committee, the Chamber of Commerce, the United Way, and the Rutherford County Historical Society. She also presided over the Rutherford County Democratic Women's Club as its president. She was also president of the Tennessee Federation of Democratic Women from 1989–1991.

**Scope and Content:** The Zadie Key Papers contain scrapbooks, letters, newspapers, cookbooks, and commemorative items. Photographs and two scrapbooks from the Rutherford County Democratic Women provide insight into Zadie Key's political career and ways that the Rutherford County Democratic Women organized in the 1970s and 1980s. The scrapbooks contain correspondence, photographs, newspapers clippings, and newsletters chronicling the organization's activities.

**Arrangement**: the collection is divided into two series.

Series 1: Personal contains items relating to Key's personal or professional life.

Series 2: Political contains scrapbooks, newspapers, letters, and any other memorabilia relating to Key's political interests and activities.

**Photograph Materials:** The photographs associated with this collection are stored separately.

**Related Collections:** There are no known related collections.

## **Subject Terms:**

**Persons:** Zadie Key

**Places:** Murfreesboro, Tennessee Rutherford County, Tennessee

**Subjects (General):** Middle Tennessee State Teachers College

Middle Tennessee State University

Democratic Party

**Politics** 

Community organizations

## **Material Types:**

Scrapbooks

Letters

Newspapers

Clippings

Newsletters

Cookbooks

Photographs

Commemorative items

Correspondence

## **Container List:**

Box	Series	Folder Name	Item Type
1	Personal	NSA Certificate	National Secretaries Association
		7:1	Certificate
1	Personal	Diploma Cover	Tennessee State Teachers College diploma cover
1	Personal	Miscellaneous	assorted items
1	Personal	Man Walks on Moon	7/21/69 Tennessean issue
1	Personal	Rutherford County Courthouse	3/5/78 Daily News Journal Accent
1	Personal	Senior Edition biography	Senior Edition Vol. 1, No. 1, April 1992
1	Personal	Moon Heroes in Orbit	7/21/69 Nashville Banner issue
1	Political	Political Memorabilia	memorabilia
1	Political	1980 Democratic Handbook	handbook
1	Political	Jimmy Carter Magazine	magazine
1	Political	Political Correspondence	correspondence
1	Political	Democratic National Convention	8/11/80 Daily News Journal supplement
1	Political	Nixon to Resign	8/8/74 Daily News Journal issue
1	Political	Ford Now President	8/9/74 Daily News Journal issue
1	Political	Nixon Quits	8/9/74 Tennessean issue
2	Personal	Association of Secretarial and Clerical Employees Cookbook	cookbook
2	Personal	Murfreesboro Business and Professional Women Cookbook	cookbook
2	Personal	Secretary of the Year Scrapbook	Secretary of the Year scrapbook
2	Personal	Murfreesboro/Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce Plate	commemorative plate
2	Personal	Middle Tennessee State medal	medal
2	Political	Life Magazine – JFK	Life magazine
2	Political	Commemorative Issue  Look Magazine – The Kennedy	Look magazine
		Family in Pictures	

2	Political	Tennessee Foundation of	Gavel – MOVED to museum storage
		Democratic Women 1989-1991	
		President	
2	Political	Rutherford County Democratic	scrapbook
		Women Scrapbook 1985-1986	
2	Political	Rutherford County Democratic	scrapbook
		Women Scrapbook 1975	
2	Political	Rutherford County Democratic	scrapbook
		Women Scrapbook 1974-1975	