

## Guide to the Q. B. Bush Papers

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository:</b>	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
<b>Creator:</b>	Bush, Q. B., 1931-2019
<b>Title:</b>	Q. B. Bush Papers
<b>ID:</b>	MS-00882
<b>Date [inclusive]:</b>	1957 to 2018
<b>Physical Description:</b>	0.25 Cubic Feet (1 box, 1 flat file)
<b>Physical Description:</b>	1.88 Linear Feet
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English
<b>Abstract:</b>	The Q. B. Bush Papers are comprised of Q. B. Bush's personal papers dating from 1957 to 2018 and document Bush's work in Westside Las Vegas, Nevada casinos including the Moulin Rouge, Town Tavern, and the El Morocco. The collection also documents Bush's involvement with the Dealers Security Association and the association's effort to provide better working conditions for African American casino employees. Included are photographs and copies of photographs that document the African American casinos where Bush worked, as well as family photographs.

### Preferred Citation

Q. B. Bush Papers, 1957-2018. MS-00882. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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## Biographical Note

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Q. B. Bush, a dedicated member of the United States military, relocated to Las Vegas, Nevada in 1954 after the Korean War because of his interest in gaming. Starting out as a porter at the Sands Hotel and Casino, Bush eventually went to dealer school and became a dealer at the Moulin Rouge. After the Moulin Rouge closed, Bush worked as a box man and a shift boss at the Town Tavern. He then became the casino manager at the El Morocco before opening his own dealer school in Las Vegas. Bush was born on May 7, 1931 in Fordyce, Bush married in Las Vegas, Nevada in 1957. During the 1960s and 1970s, Bush played an important role as a social advocate who fought for job growth, economic development, and equality for black workers in Las Vegas, Nevada. Bush passed away in Las Vegas, Nevada on October 29, 2019.

Source:

Bush, Q. B. Interview, 2007 May 15. OH-00308. Oral History Research Center, Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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## Scope and Contents Note

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## Arrangement

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Materials are arranged by topic.

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## Administrative Information

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### Access Note

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### Acquisition Note

Materials were donated in 2018 by Q. B. Bush; accession number 2018-025.

## Processing Note

A rough inventory of the accession was created by Maggie Bukowski in 2018. To prepare the inventory, the described materials were reviewed to create a contents list, estimate dates, and identify material types. No other work has been preformed on the materials.

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## Names and Subjects

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- Westside (Las Vegas, Nev.)
- Photographs
- Casinos -- Nevada -- Las Vegas

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## Collection Inventory

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Title/Description	Containers
Q. B. Bush and Bush family at various Westside casinos and golf tournaments, originals and reproductions, 1957 to 2018 Physical Description: 2 Files	box 01 oversized box SH-012
Bush's 1969 Nevada Teaching Certificate and 1957 wedding invitation, reproductions, approximately 2000 to 2018	box 01
Valley View Golf Club Tournament programs, originals and reproductions, 1957 to 2018	box 01
Dealers Security Association correspondence, bylaws, and employment agreement, 1959	box 01
<i>Las Vegas Voice</i> , <i>Las Vegas Sentinel Voice</i> , and <i>The Valley Times</i> newspaper clippings regarding NAACP, housing, and West Las Vegas, Nevada casinos, 1963 to 2009	box 01