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Preferred citation for this material is as follows:

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## Biographical / Historical

Dr. Raymond and Sara Harris were active members of the Albany, N.Y. community. In 1957, the couple co-founded the Center for the Study of Aging of Albany, N.Y.

Dr. Raymond Harris was born in Brooklyn, N.Y. on June 26, 1919. A graduate of Cornell University and Albany Medical College, Harris also served in the Army Medical Corps at the Walter Reed Hospital
during the Second World War. Dr. Harris, a published author and seasoned lecturer, was the chief of the sub-department of Cardiovascular Medicine at St. Peters Hospital in Albany N.Y. Elected president of the Albany Jewish Community Center, Dr. Harris was active in the field of gerontology, as well as an active member of the Albany community until his death on August 25, 1989.

Sara Harris was born in Cleveland, Ohio in 1921. After attending the Girls Latin School in Boston, Massachusetts, Harris went on to study at the University of Chicago and the Arts Students League in New York City. An active member in the Albany community, Harris was the executive director of the Center for the Study of Aging of Albany, N.Y., tried to set up a daycare in the Albany area, and sat on the board of directors for the Albany Inter-racial Council. Sara Harris was also a prominent artist in the area and nominated for awards for her skills in painting in drawing. Harris also enjoyed writing poetry and published a book on exercise for people over 50. Sara Harris died on May 15, 2016.

Both Dr. Raymond and Sara Harris are survived by their children and grandchildren.

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**Content Description**

This collection documents the professional and personal lives of Dr. Raymond and Sara Harris and their work in the Albany community through St. Peters Hospital, the Center for the Study of Aging of Albany N.Y., the Albany Inter-racial Council, and the Albany Jewish Community Center. Materials consist of published articles, books, correspondence, lecture notes, various council meeting minutes, studies on gerontology, newsletters, and family history. The collection also contains audio and visual material related to the field of gerontology.

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