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**SWAFFORD/SWOFFORD GENEALOGICAL  
COLLECTION,  
1797-1999**

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## INTRODUCTION

The Swafford/Swofford Genealogical Collection was loaned to the Tennessee State Library and Archives by Ms. Colleen Spears of Brentwood, Tennessee. After filming, the collection was returned to Ms. Spears. One book was on loan with the collection but was not microfilmed: *Swaffords of Sequatchie Valley, Tennessee, Second Edition*, by Ray C. Swofford, dated 1978.

The collection, spanning the period 1797-1999, contains correspondence and genealogical materials pertaining to the Swafford family and related families. The items were collected by Mr. Raymond Calvin Swofford while doing research for his books on the Swafford family of Sequatchie Valley, Tennessee. The original order of the collection was retained. The chapter and numbers, listed in the folder title, refer to the corresponding chapter and page numbers in the second edition of the *Swaffords of Sequatchie Valley, Tennessee*. Materials within the collection were arranged according to correspondence author or subject.

Raymond Calvin Swofford was born on August 27, 1920. He was the son of Thomas William Swofford and Beulah Crawford Swofford. He married Ruth Marjorie Grohman on December 14, 1942. They had one child, Linda Ray Swofford. Mr. Swofford worked for the Federal Aviation Administration for 32 years, before his retirement in 1973. He died on September 7, 2002.

Source: The biographical information on Raymond Calvin Swofford was gleaned from various items within this collection and from the second edition of *Swaffords of Sequatchie Valley, Tennessee*.

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