Gale J. Belser papers
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Biographical History: Gale Johnson Belser (1920-2000) a native of Edisto Island, South Carolina, who was educated at Winthrop College and graduated from the University of South Carolina. Post-graduation she was an Executive Secretary for the Columbia Merchant Association. Mrs. Belser was a member of the Junior League of Charleston, the Carolina Assembly and the National Society of the Colonial Dames. She was married to Dr. Richie H. Belser and had three children.

Scope and Content Note: The papers of Gale J. Belser document her extensive family history research conducted from 1972-1999 and includes extensive histories of the Alford and Gale families of the Eastern Shore as well as other families from Cecil, Dorchester and Somerset Counties. Family histories are documented via correspondence with family members, pedigree charts, deeds and wills, obituaries, as well as church and marriage records.

Arrangement Statement: The Gale J. Belser papers have been arranged into two series, RESEARCH NOTES and RESEARCH MATERIALS. Research notes documents the family history research performed and includes pedigree charts, deeds and wills, church and marriage records, obituaries and correspondence. Research materials document the various organizations and types of records Gale Belser used to conduct family history research. Folders are listed by their location in each box; any given subject may be dispersed throughout the entirety of the collection.

Subject Terms:

General Terms

Alford Family History
Baker Family History
Belser Family History
Brown Family History
Budd Family History
Burial Records
Cecil County, Md.
Comegys Family History
Crane Family History
Dare Family History
Dashiell Family History
Davenport Family History
Davis Family History
Dempsey Family History
Dorchester County, Md.
Fassit Family History
Fleharty Family History
Gale Family History
Hall Family History
Henry Family History
Hutton Family History
Johnson Family History
Kay Family History
Larrimore Family History
Loverin Family History
Lundy Family History
McNeal Family History
Magruder Family History
Matheson Family History
Matlack Family History
Messick Family History
Middleton Family History
Mikel Family History
Newman Family History
Newman-Davis Family History
Nicholson Family History
Padgett Family History
Pedigree Charts
Perinchief Family History
Poillon Family History
Robinett Family History
Rodgers Family History
Sherron (Cherron) Family History
Shreves Family History
Sickler Family History
Skirven Family History
Smith Family History
Von Rapp Family History
Wainright (Winright) Family History
Ware Family History

**Personal Names**

Belser, Gale Johnson
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13. Dare Family History
14. Dare Family History, Correspondence, 1982
15. Dashiell Family History
16. Davenport Family History
17. Davis Family History
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19. Dempsey Family History
20. Fassit Family History
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19. Matheson Family History, Correspondence, 1993-1996
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33. Rodgers Family History
34. Sherron (Cherron) Family History
35. Shreves Family History, Correspondence, 1977
36. Sickler Family History
37. Skirven Family History
38. Smith Family History
39. Von Rapp Family History
40. Von Rapp Family History, Correspondence, 1985-1996
41. Wainright (Winright) Family History
42. Wainright Family History, Correspondence, 1983
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Series II: Research Materials
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1. Tax Records
2. Census Records
3. Church Records
4. Marriage Records
5. Burial Records
6. Military Records
7. Colonial Families of the Eastern Shore
8. Society of Colonial Wars
9. Immigrants in Pennsylvania
10. National Genealogical Society
11. Maryland Genealogical Society
12. Genealogical Society of Pennsylvania
13. Daughters of the American Revolution
15. Maps / City Directories