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Barry Morris Goldwater
Papers, 1939-1964

DESCRIPTION

This small collection consists mostly of campaign materials from Barry Goldwater's 1964 presidential campaign. Included are general campaign materials, newspaper and magazine articles from 1961-1964, transcripts of speeches given by Barry Goldwater from 1958-1964, and post-election material from 1964-1965. Also included is correspondence with the Arizona Historical Society from 1939-1962.

1 Box, .5 linear ft.

HISTORICAL INFORMATION

Barry Goldwater was born in Phoenix in 1909. He married Margaret Johnson in 1934 and they had four children together. He served in World War II as a pilot, and returned in Arizona to work in politics. He was elected to the Phoenix City Council in 1949 and to his first term as a U.S. Senator in 1952. He served five terms as Senator, a streak which was interrupted for four years after he lost the 1964 Presidential election as the Republican candidate. His wife died in 1986 and he retired from politics in 1987. He married Susan Shaffer Wechsler in February 1992, and died in May 1998 in Phoenix at the age of 89.

Barry Goldwater was known as a conservative politician who advocated for less government intervention, including in areas of social consideration such as gay and abortion rights. During his time as a Senator, he established the Arizona Air National Guard.

ACQUISITION

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