

Gerald Crane Taverner fonds. - pre 1300-1900, 1951-2005. - 379.5 cm textual records

Biographical Note

Gerald Crane Taverner was born in Montreal on July 19, 1928, to Colin Taverner, originally from Trinity, and Katherine Irene (nee Crane) of Whitbourne, Newfoundland. Educated at Lower Canada College and Le College de St. Cezaire de Rouville, he spent his entire career, over forty years, in the marine shipping world. Employed at sea for six years, mainly in the West Indies and South America, he came ashore to work in various facets of the industry namely, stevedoring, agency and vessel management activities on the Eastern Seaboard. He later became involved with various shipping operations in many parts of the world, and ultimately took over the day-to-day management of vessels, both owned and time chartered by his employer of that time, Matthew Shipping Co. Ltd. In 1969, he was invited to join Westshore Terminals, ultimately the largest marine bulk terminal on the west coast of the Americas, as Administrative Manager, arriving in Vancouver in January 1970 to take up the position prior to the commencement of Westshore's operations in May of that year. Assigned to various management responsibilities, he ultimately held the position of Vice President from 1987 until retirement in May of 1991. Subsequent to retirement his services were retained in the capacity of Advisor to the President for a period of two years. He later became an enthusiastic genealogist the main thrust of his research being the Taverner family tree. Mr. Taverner passed away in 2005 while residing in Delta, British Columbia.

Custodial History

Collection consists of scrapbooks, research material, and correspondence assembled by Mr. Gerald Taverner over the years as a family history collection. In 2003, the Trinity Historical Society acquired the majority of his research material. Upon his passing in 2005, the remainder of the material was sent by his wife Brenda.

Scope and Content

The Gerald Crane Taverner fonds consists of eighty-four binders, which consists of photocopies of clippings, correspondence, research notes, etc., relating to the Taverner and Vardy families of Trinity and Random Island, respectively.

Series 1: Gerald Crane Taverner Scrapbooks. - pre 1300-1900. - 176 cm.

This series contains forty-three scrapbooks that have photocopies of various clippings pertaining to the Taverner and Vardy families as well as research material that was either compiled by or given to Mr. Gerald Taverner.

1.01 The Taverners

This sub-series contains twenty-four volumes of material that was compiled by John P. Taverner and his father over the years and was later given to Mr. Gerald Taverner.

- 1.01.001 Volume 1 - The Taverners
- 1.01.002 Volume 2 - The Taverners
- 1.01.003 Volume 3 - The Taverners of Hull
- 1.01.004 Volume 4 - William Taverner Jr. - Artist 1700 - 1772
- 1.01.005 Volume 5 - The Taverners of Ireland
- 1.01.006 Volume 6 - The Taverners of America
- 1.01.007 Volume 7 - The Taverner Diaries - Pre 1300
- 1.01.008 Volume 8 - The Taverner Diaries - 1300 - 1399
- 1.01.009 Volume 9 - The Taverner Diaries - 1400 - 1499
- 1.01.010 Volume 10 - The Taverner Diaries - 1500 - 1599
- 1.01.011 Volume 11 - The Taverner Diaries - 1600 - 1699
- 1.01.012 Volume 12 - The Taverner Diaries - 1700 - 1799
- 1.01.013 Volume 13 - The Taverner Diaries - 1800 - 1899
- 1.01.014 Volume 16 - Chaucer's Grandfather was a Taverner
- 1.01.015 Volume 17 - William Taverner Sr. - Playwright
- 1.01.016 Volume 18 - The Pathway to Tavernor's Garden
- 1.01.017 Volume 19 - John Taverner Pre-reformation Composer
- 1.01.018 Volume 20 - The Early Taverners of Devon
- 1.01.019 Volume 21 - The Taverners - From Moreton to Maldon
- 1.01.020 Volume 22 - Richard Taverner 1505 - 1575
- 1.01.021 Volume 24A - The Taverner Wills - Pre 1500 - 1600
- 1.01.022 Volume 24B - The Taverner Wills - 1601 - 1699
- 1.01.023 Volume 24C - The Taverner Wills - 1700 - 1900
- 1.01.024 Volume 24D - The Taverner Wills - List of Names

- 1.02 Official reference to the name Taverner - Pre 1600 - UK
- 1.03 William Taverner - the surveyor
- 1.04 Mormon Taverner files
- 1.05 Taverner family information from the Chebucto website
- 1.06 Taverner wills
- 1.07 Taverner wills - UK
- 1.08 Selected Taverner papers from the Provincial Archives of Newfoundland
- 1.09 Descendants
- 1.10 Taverner memorabilia 1880 -
- 1.11 Taverner - miscellaneous
- 1.12 The Vardy's
- 1.13 Vardy family tree
- 1.14 Vardy Family Tree Record - Past, Present, and Future
- 1.15 Domesday book
- 1.16 Maps and grants
- 1.17 Newfoundland shipping - ships
- 1.18 Trinity, Newfoundland
- 1.19 Newfoundland census, voters lists, and directories
- 1.20 Various societies and groups

Series 2: Correspondence. - 1951 - 2005. - 202 cm.

This series contains forty-one binders of correspondence between Gerald Taverner and various people over the years, pertaining to the Taverner family tree.

- 2.01 1951 - 1995
- 2.02 1996
- 2.03 January 1 - March 31, 1997
- 2.04 April 1 - June 30, 1997
- 2.05 July 1 - September 30, 1997
- 2.06 October 1 - December 31, 1997
- 2.07 January 1 - March 31, 1998
- 2.08 April 1 - June 30, 1998
- 2.09 July 1 - September 30, 1998
- 2.10 October 1 - December 31, 1998
- 2.11 January 1 - March 31, 1999
- 2.12 April 1 - June 30, 1999
- 2.13 July 1 - September 30, 1999
- 2.14 October 1 - December 31, 1999
- 2.15 January 1 - March 31, 2000
- 2.16 April 1 - June 30, 2000
- 2.17 July 1 - September 30, 2000
- 2.18 October 1 - December 31, 2000
- 2.19 January 1 - March 31, 2001
- 2.20 April 1 - June 30, 2001
- 2.21 July 1 - September 30, 2001
- 2.22 October 1 - December 31, 2001
- 2.23 January 1 - March 31, 2002
- 2.24 April 1 - June 30, 2002
- 2.25 July 1 - September 30, 2002
- 2.26 October 1 - December 31, 2002
- 2.27 January 1 - June 25, 2003
- 2.28 July 1 - September 30, 2003
- 2.29 October 1 - December 31, 2003
- 2.30 January 1 - March 31, 2004
- 2.31 July 1 - September 30, 2004
- 2.32 October 1, 2004 - March 2005
- 2.33 Taverner Source Records - 1996- 1998
- 2.34 Taverner Source Records - 1999 - 2000
- 2.35 Taverner Source Records - 2001 - 2002
- 2.36 Taverner Source Records - January 1 - June 30, 2003
- 2.37 Taverner Source Records - July 1, 2003 - June 30, 2004
- 2.38 Taverner Source Records - July 1, 2004 - March 2005
- 2.39 Binder Contents 1
- 2.40 Binder Contents 2

2.41 Binder Contents 3

Location: on shelf

Series 3: Shipping Records. - 1912, 1914-1921, 1923, 1951. - 0.5 cm.

This series contains various shipping records from Colin Taverner including discharge certificates, exemption certificates, an indenture, as well as other documents relating to the shipping industry.

Series 4: Land Grants. - 1907, 1911. - 0.5 cm.

This file contains land grants that was presented to Charles, William, and Joshua Taverner. File contains a copy of the land grants as well as maps of the piece of land.

Series 5: Mason Certificates. - 1780, 1820, 1874, 1918, 1921, 1949, 1954, 1977. - 0.5 cm.

This file contains various masonic certificates belonging to the Taverner family.

Location: Magazine and Newspaper Collection Box 10