

Interview Data Sheet

Collection/ project name: Black Families in Yalobusha County

Processor's name: Burns, Keon, A

Interviewee: Kee, Dorothy, A

Interviewee occupation(s): Teacher

Contributor: Kee, Syreeta L

Interviewer: Burns, Keon A

Recorder: N/A

Date of interview: 2019-10-29

Location of interview: 505 County Road 167 Coffeeville, MS 38922

Interview context: Husband's oxygen tank, TV background noise from husband, and noises from the microwave in the kitchen

Recording equipment: TASCAM - DR 005

Recording settings:

bit-depth 1,411 kbps

sampling rate 44.100 kHz

Length of interview: 1:20:40

Note about sound quality: The oxygen tank and TV are a constant in the background, and the kitchen noises are very abrupt

Interviewee biographical Information:

Gender F

Age 73

Birth Date February 22, 1946

Birth Place Coffeeville, Mississippi

First Language if not English

Residence Coffeeville, Mississippi

Education Coffeeville High School, Alcorn, Delta State, Mississippi

State

Additional notes about interviewee:

Mrs. Kee and her family are very sick. Mrs. Kee has mandatory physical therapy, her husband is on an oxygen tank and had phenomena during our interview, and her daughter is also very sick.

Abstract: In this interview, Dorothy A Kee discuss her thirty year long career as a teacher and central member to the Coffeeville community. She begins by detailing her parents quest and triumph for Black self-sufficiency as landowners. She reflects on her early childhood experiences with creative problem solving to maintain independence. She emphasizes the importance of education bestowed on to her and her siblings by their parents. Next, she describes the unique challenges she faces as a Black teacher in Coffeeville with a father who is a civil rights activist. She concludes with in depth analysis of her legacy as a pillar of the community.

Subjects and Key-words:

Names: Dorothy Kee, Clementine Smith, Cotton Reader
Organizations: Coffeeville High School, Oakland High School, 4-H Club
Events: Integration in Yalobusha County, James Meredith integration into Ole Miss
Topics: Education, Black self-sufficiency, Black Landownership
Geographic: Yalobusha County
Temporal: 1950-1980

Related documentary materials:

Photographs

Number of photographs: One

Format (digital and/or print): Digital

Description of photographs: A photo scanned from *Delta Jewels* of Mrs. Kee

Other documents/materials N/A