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## Irwin Holmes Papers

<b>Title:</b>	Irwin Holmes Papers
<b>Inclusive Dates:</b>	1939-2012
<b>Extent of Materials:</b>	3 Hollinger boxes, 1 flat box (2.50 linear feet)
<b>Location:</b>	Duke Storage; online exhibit at <a href="http://dcl.li/nz4uh">http://dcl.li/nz4uh</a> .
<b>Date of Accession:</b>	2013
<b>Donor:</b>	
<b>Relationship of donor or materials to the DCL/NCR</b>	
<b>Processor:</b>	Cale McCammon
<b>Description:</b>	
<b>Subject Headings:</b>	College integration--North Carolina.
	Holmes, Irwin.
	North Carolina State University--Tennis.
	Scrapbooks.
<b>Abstract:</b>	
<b>Scope and Content:</b>	The Irwin Holmes papers consist of four scrapbooks (most compiled by his mother Althea Holmes), plus newspaper and magazine articles, programs, photos, and DVD montages of Holmes' fiftieth birthday party, which depict his life from childhood almost to the present. The materials illuminate his academic and athletic career at Hillside High School and North Carolina State University and feature his parents, his wedding and married life, the birth of his and Meredythe's children, and the children's weddings. Spanning the time from the 1940s pre-Brown v. Board era to Obama in the White House, they show Holmes at the forefront of a society in transition.
<b>Related Materials:</b>	
<b>Restrictions:</b>	The collection is open for research.
<b>Biographical / Historical Note:</b>	Irwin Robert Holmes, Jr., was born to Althea and Irwin Robert Holmes, Sr., on July 26, 1939. Holmes graduated third in his class from Hillside High School in 1956. He was the first African American to earn a bachelor's degree from North Carolina State University (in engineering, 1960), to play on an Atlantic Coast Conference team (the tennis team, which he co-captained his senior year), and to win a varsity letter in the ACC. After graduating, he attended Drexel University, where he received a master's degree in electrical engineering in 1966. In 1964, he married Meredythe Johnson, with whom he had three children: Irwin Robert Holmes, Kimberlee Holmes, and Sherri Holmes.

<b>Condition Notes:</b>	
<b>Organization of Collection:</b>	1. Miscellaneous Papers and Audiovisual Materials
	2. Scrapbooks
<b>Container List</b>	
<b>Box 1</b>	
Miscellaneous Papers	
1. Family Life Scrapbook I: Loose Papers	1959, undated
2. Family Life Scrapbook I: Loose Photographs	1930s-1950s
IH051	Carol (Irwin's sister?), Irwin Holmes, "Alice's friend," and Bus (nickname for Irwin's father?)
IH052	Bus, "Alice's friend," and Carol
IH053	undescribed
IH054	undescribed
IH055	School portrait of Holmes as young boy
IH056	School portrait of Carol as young girl
IH057	Meredythe Holmes(?) cooking
3. Family Life Scrapbook II: Loose Papers	1964-1987, 2010
4. Family Life Scrapbook II: Loose Photographs	1970s-1990s
IH070	undescribed
IH071	Holmes with family
IH072	Daughter (presumably Kimberlee) and unknown woman
IH073	unknown woman
IH074	Holmes at beach
IH075	Holmes with daughters
5. Fiftieth Birthday Party Program	1989
6. Miscellaneous Photographs	1950s-1990s
IH058	Holmes as boy
IH059	Daughter 's wedding (presumably Sherri Holmes)

IH061	Meredythe Johnson wedding photo
IH062	Meredythe Johnson wedding photo
IH063	unknown
IH064	Meredythe Holmes(?) crying at daughter's wedding (presumably)
IH065	Carol, daughter of Althea and Bus, holding Kim (Irwin Holmes' daughter), 1968
IH066	Irwin Holmes and Carol Holmes with others at wedding
IH067	unknown woman in wedding dress (Althea?)
IH068	duplicate of IH012
IH069	unknown women
7. Newspaper Articles	1972, 1985, 2006-2007
8. North Carolina State College of Agriculture and Engineering of the University of North Carolina Seventy-First Annual Commencement Program	1960
9. North Carolina State University Alumni Magazine	2006, 2012
10. North Carolina State University Black Alumni Society Newsletter	2006
11. North Carolina State University Scrapbook: Front Cover and Loose Photographs	1956-1960
IH028	Holmes portrait photo
IH029	Reverse duplicate of IH014, Holmes playing tennis
IH046	Holmes graduation portrait, 1960
IH047	Holmes portrait photo
IH048	Holmes at graduation, May 29 1960
IH049	Duplicate of IH031, Holmes with cousin Charles at graduation, 1960
12. North Carolina State University Scrapbook: Loose Papers	1958, 1960, 1963
13. "School Days" Scrapbook: Front Cover and Loose Photographs	1949-1956
IH001	Irwin Holmes as a young boy

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IH002	Family members, man on left presumably Irwin's father, woman in middle possibly Althea
IH003	Family and Holmes as boy in Washington, 1949
IH004	Undescribed family members, Woman in middle possibly Althea
IH019	Holmes and Betty Joe Goodloe at the Youth Wants to Know Party
IH020	School dance(?) portrait of Holmes and Ann Davis
IH021	School dance(?) portrait of Holmes and Carolyn Grubbo(?)
IH026	Holmes playing basketball for the Hornets team #33
IH027	National Honor Society group photo
14. "School Days Scrapbook: Loose Papers	1949-1960, 1972, 1992
15. Timeline of African Americans at North Carolina State University	2006
Audiovisual Materials	
16. "Grannies on the Vineyard" DVD, Discs One and Two	circa 1989
17. Fiftieth Birthday Party DVD, Discs One and Two	1989
18. "Time Pieces" for Fiftieth Birthday Party DVD, Disc One	1989
<b>Box 2</b>	
"School Days" Scrapbook	1946-1959
Compilation of photographs and newspaper clippings primarily concerning Holmes' academic and athletic life at Hillside High School and North Carolina State University.	
IH005	School safety patrol at train station
IH006	Undescribed photo of Holmes with schoolmates
IH007	School photo Holmes as boy
IH008	School photo of Holmes as boy, November 1946
IH009	"Youth Wants to Know Forum President, Irwin and the speaker," 1957
IH010	National Honor Society group photo

IH011	Holmes and Johnnie "Skeepie" Scarborough among a group of peers
IH012	Holmes and Johnnie "Skeepie" Scarborough holding trophies at the Southeastern Junior Tennis Tournament, Holmes won and Skeepie was runner-up
IH013	Duplicate of IH012
IH014	Holmes playing tennis
IH015	Undescribed, possibly father with young Holmes
IH016	Holmes holding tennis racket, June 1956
IH017	Holmes performing a serving shot
IH018	Sherrill Schooler wedding gown portrait
IH022	two boys undescribed
IH023	man and woman on couch undescribed
IH024	girl at typewriter undescribed, December 1959
IH025	two women with suitcases undescribed, 1956
<b>Box 3</b>	
North Carolina State University Scrapbook	1956-1960
Compilation of photographs, newspaper clippings, and letters primarily concerning Holmes' time at North Carolina State University and his graduation.	
IH030	Holmes at dance with woman (Ann Davis?)
IH031	Holmes with cousin Charles Grisby(?) at graduation, May 29 1960
IH032	Holmes shaking hands with college chaplain at graduation, May 29 1960
IH033	Holmes with aunt Alice Holmes Dolphy(?) at graduation, May 29 1960
IH034	Holmes with parents Althea and Bus at graduation, May 29 1960
IH035	Holmes with woman at graduation (can't read handwriting), May 29 1960
IH036	Holmes with Carol at graduation, May 29 1960
IH037	Holmes with father at graduation, May 29 1960
IH038	Holmes with two female family members at graduation, May 29 1960
IH039	Holmes with Uncle John at graduation, May 29 1960
IH040	Holmes with aunt Alice and Uncle John at graduation, May 29 1960
IH041	Holmes with cousin Charles and Carol at graduation, May 29 1960
IH042	NC State University building at graduation, May 29 1960

IH043	portrait photo of Meredythe Adele Johnson (Holmes' wife), circa 1964
IH044	photo of house
IH045	Meredythe Johnson among group of people on porch
IH050	Holmes with other tennis players (Livas? And Scarborough)
<b>Box 4</b>	
Family Life Scrapbook I	1939-1967
Contains photographs and newspaper clippings of Holmes' childhood in Reidsville and Durham, N.C., his family and school life.	
Family Life Scrapbook II	1969-1986
Contains photographs and newspaper clippings concerning the later part of Holmes' family life and the lives of his children.	

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