



Guide to the Gerry Gauthier oral history interview

This finding aid was created by UNLV Special Collections and Archives staff. This copy was published on January 23, 2023. Please contact special.collections@unlv.edu for questions regarding this collection.

Persistent URL for this finding aid: <http://n2t.net/ark:/62930/f1wb78>

© 2023 The Regents of the University of Nevada. All rights reserved.

**University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special
Collections and Archives.**

Box 457010

4505 S. Maryland Parkway

Las Vegas, Nevada 89154-7010

special.collections@unlv.edu

Table of Contents

Summary Information	3
Scope and Contents Note	3
Administrative Information	4
Names and Subjects	5

Summary Information

Repository:	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
Creator:	Gauthier, Gerry, 1921-2012
Contributor:	UNLV University Libraries Oral History Collection
Title:	Gerry Gauthier oral history interview
ID:	OH-03303
Date:	2004 June 23
Physical Description:	4 Digital Files (0.133 GB) MP3
Language of the Material:	English
Abstract:	Oral history interview with Gerry Gauthier conducted by an unknown interviewer on June 23, 2004 for the UNLV University Libraries Oral History Collection. In this interview, Gauthier talks at length about his experiences as an Army infantryman in the Philippines and as a survivor of the Bataan Death March and subsequent internment at camps in the Philippines and Japan. He first describes his upbringing and education in Michigan and his desire to enlist in the Army in 1940. He then describes his experiences of war, capture, and internment and his release after three years and five months of captivity. He also talks about his life after the war, from the extensive period of hospitalization and rehabilitation to his marriage and thirty-five year career in the U. S. Postal Service. Finally, he discusses his retirement and move to Henderson, Nevada in 1997.

Preferred Citation

Gerry Gauthier oral history interview, 2004 June 23. OH-03303. [Cite format consulted: Audio recording or Transcript.] Oral History Research Center, Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)

Scope and Contents Note

Oral history interview with Gerry Gauthier conducted by an unknown interviewer on June 23, 2004 for the UNLV University Libraries Oral History Collection. In this interview, Gauthier talks at

length about his experiences as an Army infantryman in the Philippines and as a survivor of the Bataan Death March and subsequent internment at camps in the Philippines and Japan. He first describes his upbringing and education in Michigan and his desire to enlist in the Army in 1940. He then describes his experiences of war, capture, and internment and his release after three years and five months of captivity. He also talks about his life after the war, from the extensive period of hospitalization and rehabilitation to his marriage and thirty-five year career in the U. S. Postal Service. Finally, he discusses his retirement and move to Henderson, Nevada in 1997. Digital audio available; no transcript available.

[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)

Administrative Information

Access Note

Collection is open for research. Where use copies do not exist, production of use copies is required before access will be granted; this may delay research requests. Advanced notice is required.

Publication Rights

Materials in this collection may be protected by copyrights and other rights. See [Reproductions and Use](#) on the UNLV Special Collections and Archives website for more information about reproductions and permissions to publish. Some transcripts do not exist in final form, therefore any editing marks in a transcript (deletions, additions, corrections) are to be quoted as marked. No release form is on file for this interview. The interview is accessible onsite only, and researchers must seek permission from the interviewee or heirs for quotation, reproduction, or publication. Please contact special.collections@unlv.edu for further information.

Acquisition Note

This interview was donated to the Oral History Research Center (OHRC) which is part of the UNLV University Libraries Special Collections and Archives Division.

Processing Note

Interview materials were processed by UNLV Libraries Special Collections and Archives in 2022 and 2023. Melise Leech wrote the collection description. Access copies were created for born-digital audio and/or transcript files. The audio has been minimally reviewed and all readily available information has been included in the description.

[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)

Names and Subjects

- World War, 1939-1945
- Prisoners of war
- Philippines
- Bataan Death March, Philippines, 1942