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ABSTRACT

INTERVIEWEE NAME: Dolores Watson Grimes

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IDENTIFICATION: Member of the Brusly community and former school teacher

INTERVIEWER: Joanne Bourgeois

SERIES: Brusly Centennial Oral History Project

INTERVIEW DATE: November 9, 1996

FOCUS DATES: 1940's-1970's

ABSTRACT:

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Birth place and date; names of parents and their siblings; family genealogical connections; attending Lukeville Elementary School; going outside the community for high school and transferring to Cohn High School for senior year after Cohn High was built; teachers and staff at Cohn High School; the importance of getting an African-American High School in the area; attending Southern University; marriage to Doc Grimes, Jr. and starting a family; beginning to teach and being one of the first African-American teachers to integrate with the faculty at Port Allen High School in 1968; assignment to Cohn High School and memories of the educational scene; desegregation; memories of Tousant Isadore, her grandfather a shoemaker in the Brusly community; memories of walking to the Red and White Store; discussion of community members; Choctaw Elementary where Miss Rosa Haney taught; education of her children; the family connection of the home that she is in.

TAPES: 1 (T1076)

TOTAL PLAYING TIME: 43 minutes

PAGES TRANSCRIPT: 41 pages

OTHER MATERIALS: None

RESTRICTIONS: None