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ABSTRACT

INTERVIEWEE NAME: Mary Jane Jones

COLLECTION: 4700.2576

IDENTIFICATION: Math teacher at Mossville High School

INTERVIEWER: Jamie Digilormo

SERIES: Mossville History Project - Oral History Day

INTERVIEW DATES: September 24, 2015

FOCUS DATES: 1960s

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Tape 4519

Mary Jane Jones born in Opelousas, Louisiana on September 25, 1938 to parents Octavia and Arthur Martin; family rooted in that area; Jones lived in Vinton, commuting to Mossville to teach math; Mossville High School her first job after college; several students older than her, contributing to initial fears; most students at Mossville eager to learn; parents cooperative with her style of teaching; would follow students home and meet their parents; avoided teachers' lounge gossip; taught at Mossville for about five and a half years, then was transferred in 1968; invested in student development and progress; extracurricular activities.

TAPES: 1 (T4519)

TOTAL PLAYING TIME: 9 minutes

#PAGES TRANSCRIPT: 13 pages

PHOTOGRAPHS / PHOTOGRAPHER: Four photographs taken during the interview at the Rigmaiden Recreational Center for the third Mossville Oral History Day. Includes two photos with interviewer Digilormo. Photographer Charlotte Willcox.

OTHER MATERIALS: Correspondence; Interview questions (2pgs)

RESTRICTIONS: none