



TITLE: Gold Star Mothers collection

DATE RANGE: 1951-1990

CALL NUMBER: MS 1501

LOCATION: Arizona History Museum, 949 E Second St, Tucson, AZ 85719

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 1 linear foot (1 box)

PROVENANCE: Donated by Sheron Jones and Ruth Nead, 2011.

RESTRICTIONS ON USE: Requests for permission to publish material from this collection should be addressed to Arizona Historical Society, Library & Archives.

PREFERRED CITATION: Arizona Historical Society, Gold Star Mothers collection, MS 1501

PROCESSED BY: Collection was formerly in the small manuscripts collection under SMS 40. Tory Bellavance reprocessed the collection in 2018.

HISTORICAL NOTE: American Gold Star Mothers is a nonprofit organization created in 1928 by Grace Darling Seibold, a mother who lost her son in service of the United States military. The organization was created to provide comfort and community to mothers of fallen soldiers as well as support and raise funds for veterans, active service members, and their families. In 1951, L. Kathrine Hamlin organized the Tucson chapter of the American Gold Star Mothers.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE: This collection contains loose photographs of members of the Tucson chapter of the Gold Star Mothers as well as at functions, from meetings to parades. The collection also contains photographs of national monuments the chapter visited. Loose items are primarily scans of newspaper clippings regarding the chapter's schedule and installation of officers, but also includes relevant items such as members' badges. There is also a scrapbook created by Tucson chapter member (Sally) Edna O'Neil, to preserve the history of the group.

SUBJECT TERMS: Gold Star Mothers, Inc., Women -- Arizona -- Societies and clubs

CONTAINER LIST:

Box	Folder	Description	Dates
1	1	Loose Items	1951-1959
	2	Loose Photographs	1971-ca. 1990
	3	Scrapbook	1951-1958