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## Summary

**Title:** Ready Collection

**Accession Number:** 2012-47

**Creator:** Joe Billy "Bill" Ready (1934- )

**Extent:** 2 boxes containing 108 files (7112 pages)

**Language:** English

**Abstract:** The Ready Collection is a compilation of family history research by Bill Ready. Most files focus on a single surname and collateral families. The files contain pedigree charts, descendant reports, and family group sheets, most notated with additional information such as sources or biographical sketches. A few files include correspondence. The most common surnames are Bates, Coffman, Gardner, Martin, Ready, and Thomas. Many of the families moved south from New England to settle in Virginia, Kentucky, and the Carolinas, eventually settling in Oklahoma and Texas.

## Administrative Information

**Provenance:** The Ready Collection was acquired by the Genealogical Forum of Oregon before 2012.

**Retention and Access:** Scanned images of the collection are currently retained by the GFO Manuscripts Committee in three separate digital storage locations and can be accessed at the GFO library or by contacting [manuscripts@gfo.org](mailto:manuscripts@gfo.org).

**Processing History:** Processing and description of the Ready Collection began in late 2012 and scanning was completed in early 2022.

## Biographical Note

Joe Billy "Bill" Ready was born on 16 November 1934 in Hollis, Harmon County, Oklahoma. His parents were Joe Howard and Mattie (Gardner) Ready.

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## Finding Aid

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1	1	Descendant Report, Family Group Sheets	Alden	England, Massachusetts	19
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1	3	Family Group Sheets, Pedigree Chart, notes	Bates, Fleming	Virginia, Kentucky	15
1	4	Descendant Report "The Ready-Gardner Connection"	Ready, Gardner	Virginia, Texas, Oklahoma, Oregon	59
1	5	Pedigree Charts, Family Group Sheets	Bates	Pennsylvania, Kentucky, Oklahoma	76
1	6	Family Group Sheets, Pedigree Charts	Venable, Woodson	Virginia	28
1	7	Descendants of William Bate	Bate	England, New Jersey, Ohio	6
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1	9	Family Group Sheets, Notes	Bates, Rogers	Massachusetts, Oklahoma	92
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1	12	Descendant Report of Reuben Bates, Notes	Bates	South Carolina, Texas	40
1	13	Notes of Bates in the DAR Patriot Index	Bates	Virginia	34
1	14	Descendant Chart of Michael B. Bates	Bates		7
1	15	Family Group Sheets, Pedigree Chart, notes	Bates	England, Massachusetts	199
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1	17	Family Group Sheets, Notes, Pedigree Charts	Sloan, Ball, Sullins, Bate	Missouri, Utah	70
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1	19	Family Group Sheets, Notes, Descendant Charts	Bates, Edmunds, Ashur	Virginia Kentucky	57

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1	22	Family Group Sheets, Notes, Descendant Report	Bates	England	70
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1	25	Family Group Sheets, Notes, Pedigree Charts	Bates	Kentucky	90
1	26	Family Group Sheets, Notes, Descendant Charts	Gardner, Bates	Kentucky, West Virginia	61
1	27	Family Group Sheets, Notes, Pedigree Charts	Bates, Moore	Virginia	105
1	28	Descendant Reports and Notes	Bates	Europe, Massachusetts	74
1	29	Family Group Sheets	Dunham, Petit	New York	2
1	30	Family Group Sheets, Notes	Bates, Coalter, Fleming	Virginia	25
1	31	Family Group Sheets, Pedigree Charts, Descendant Report	Bates	England	83
1	32	Correspondence, Family Group Sheets, Photos, Descendant Reports	Ready, Akins, Bates, Martin, Gardner	Missouri, Oklahoma, Oregon	96
1	33	Descendant Chart, Correspondence	Gardner, Holleman, Bates, Ready, Martin	Mississippi, Tennessee	12
1	34	Bates History, Family Group Sheets, Pedigree Charts, Notes	Bates, Bigge	England, Virginia	70
1	35	Family Group Sheets, Notes, Pedigree Charts	Bowles, William, Goode, Thomas, Ward	England, Virginia, North Carolina	132
1	36	Family Group Sheets, Pedigree Chart, Notes	Broshears, Gardner	Kentucky, Oklahoma	12
1	37	Family Group Sheets, Notes, Descendant Charts	Brassier, Brassieus, Brashears	France, Maryland, Virginia	55
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1	45	Family Group Sheets, Notes, Descendant Report	Gardner, Heath	Massachusetts, Texas	149
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1	53	Descendant Report, Pedigree Charts, Family Group Sheets	Reyburn, Neely, Woods, Bates, Seargeant, Mitchell, Ready, Baugh, James, Waters, Jackson, Thomas	Arkansas, New York, Virginia, Kentucky	134
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2	16	Pedigree Charts, Notes, Correspondence, Descendant Reports	Wilcox, Meals, Moran, Thomas, Bassett, Ready, Tolles	Virginia, Kentucky, Texas, Connecticut	110
2	17	Pedigree Charts, Notes, Correspondence, Descendant Reports, Copies of Marriage and Death Records	Ready, Martin, Bowles, Spence, Coffman, Dorsey, Worthington, Shields	Ohio, Virginia, Maryland, Oklahoma, Tennessee	188
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