Papers of Hazel A. Talley Evans: A Collection Guide

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Abstract
A local activist in the Democratic Party, Evans did a lot of the "behind-the-scenes" work for political campaigns in Pinellas County and statewide during the 1960s and 1970s. Evans was a dynamic leader both in local and national politics from the late 1950s through the 1990s. This collection includes correspondence, campaign literature, and political ephemera. A small monographic collection (including autographed titles) accompanies the manuscript materials. A native of Georgia, Hazel Atkinson was born on 16 August 1931 into a family that owned a textile machinery company in Atlanta. Her contributions to the Democratic Party and Florida politics and government hardly went unnoticed. Evans maintained influential positions that supported the growth of women and young adults in the Democratic Party organization. Though she rarely occupied the foreground of political endeavors, she consistently played important, significant, and pivotal background roles in the Democratic Party. She passed away on 10 December 1997.

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