

INDIVIDUAL RECORDS INVENTORY

DAVID AND FRANCES SOMERVILLE FONDS

[Compiled: September, 2011]

<u>Box / File</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>/ Accn. #</u>
<u>SERIES 1 CORRESPONDENCE</u>			
D 1554/1	Correspondence with Bishop and Mrs. Spong	1994-2004	/D2011-21
D 1554/6	Correspondence	1984-2001	/D2011-21
D 1857/4	Correspondence – Get Well Cards	2006	2014-05-15/45
D 1857/5	Correspondence – Sympathy Cards after Frances' death	2007	2014-05-15/45
D 1858/1	Correspondence – Sympathy Cards after Frances' death	2007	2014-05-15/45
D 1858/2	Misc. Correspondence	2007-2011	2014-05-15/45
<u>SERIES 2 PERSONAL PAPERS</u>			
D 1554/2	Horoscope – Thomas David Somerville	1915/1916?	/D2011-21
D 1554/8	Family records and retirement clipping, passport, birth cert	1914-1929, 1986	/D2011-21
D 1554/11	D.D. Certificate – VST	1981	/D2011-21
D 1554/12	Birthday letter from Bill Siksay, MP	2005	/D2011-21
D 1554/13	Birthday Letter from Governor General Michaelle Jean	2005	/D2011-21
D 1554/3	M.M. Gardner (Frances' Mother)	1903?-1916?	/D2011-21
D 1554/4	M.M Gardner (Frances' Father)	1910-1971	/D2011-21
D 1554/7	Misc – including trivia and baptism record		/D2011-21
D 1554/9	Personal records – mainly clippings about her	1911-1946	/D2011-21
D 1554/10	Personal records – mainly clippings	nd-2001	/D2011-21
D 1555/3	Medical	1999	/D2011-21
D 1555/7	Celebration of Life	2007	/D2011-21
D 1567/1	Misc.	1957-2004	/D2011-21
D 1857/1-3	Memory Book – <i>David, Bishop, Friend</i>	1999	2014-05-15/45
<u>SERIES 3 WRITINGS</u>			
D 1554/5	Poems	1987-nd	/D2011-21
D 1555/4	Writings	1997	/D2011-21
D 1555/5	Manuscript: <i>David: Bishop and Friend</i> – Edits by Lyndon Grove	nd	/D2011-21
D 1555/6	<i>David: Bishop and Friend</i> – First Mockup	nd	/D2011-21
D 1566	Diaries	1948-1980	/D2011-21
D 1567	Diaries	1981-1999	/D2011-21
<u>SERIES 4 PUBLICATIONS [collected by Frances]</u>			
D 1555	Pharos – Year Book of Dalhousie University (X 2)	1936-1937	/D2011-21
D 1555	The Story of Lunenburg's Most Historic Church	nd	/D2011-21
D 1555/2	Service Bulletins, Publications	1991-1992	/D2011-21
<u>SERIES 5 DIOCESE OF NEW WESTMINSTER</u>			
D 1555	Scrapbook compiled and presented by the Burrard, Granville,		

	Arbutus-Point Grey Deaneries	1980	/D2011-21
D 1555/1	Misc records – service leaflets, clippings etc		/D2011-21
D1555/6	Memorial Service Leaflet & Globe and Mail Obit Article	2011	/D2011-21

Series 6 OTHER MEDIA

Photos DNW 17 – Photo collection

D 1858/3 Misc. photos

D 1557/3 Artifacts Box:

- 1 brass (?) standing cross
- 1 crucifix
- 1 "Jerusalem" cross
- 1 lapel pin – Diocese of ?
- 2 pocket watches – engraved "MMG" – Frances' father

D 1558 T.D. Somerville – Academic Hoods (X 2)

D 1858 Misc. gifts to the Somervilles and artifacts

Frances Somerville was born Frances Vivian Smith Gardner in Lunenburg, Nova Scotia on June 5, 1916. She was baptized and confirmed at St. John's, Lunenburg – the same church where her parents were married. She graduated from Dalhousie University in Halifax, Nova Scotia with a BA in English and Psychology in 1939. She went on to earn a Teacher's Diploma in "Voice, Culture and Singing and Public School Music – Voice" from the Maritime Academy of Music, where she later taught. Always involved in music, she began her performing career as part of the Dalhousie University Glee Club and later went on to perform professionally, both in person and on the radio – with the CBC and Norwegian Royalty as some of her most noted audiences. She performed throughout the 1930's and 1940's. In 1946 she married the Reverend Harold James Best of Woodstock, New Brunswick. The couple moved to British Columbia in 1951. In 1985 Frances married Archbishop David Somerville, and the two lived in North Vancouver until their deaths. She was an avid writer. She penned an autobiography of Archbishop Somerville called "David: Archbishop and Friend" and was known for her witty poems and heartfelt prayers. Frances died August 16, 2007.