



The Davis Bottom History Preservation Project Demus Family Photographic Collection

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Items: 16 photographs, ca. 1910s to 2000s.

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Description: The Demus family has lived in Davis Bottom since the 1940s when Felix Demus was about six years old. Felix Demus grew up in a home at 720 DeRoode Street. He married Thelma Ross Demus and the couple raised their family at 565 McKinley Street. Kenny Demus, son of Felix and Thelma, grew up in Davis Bottom, serving as the Davis Bottom park director for seventeen years from 1980 to 1997.

Selected Historical Images



Caption: Cornelius Demus, born 1893, in his U.S. Army uniform. Grandfather of Kenny Demus (donor).



Caption: Thelma Ross Demus, ca. early 1970s. Grandmother of Kenny Demus (donor).



Caption: Felix Demus as a student on DeRoode Street, ca. 1940s. Father of Kenny Demus (donor).



Caption: The Demus family gather on the front porch of their home at 728 DeRoode Street, ca. 1970s.



Caption: The Demus kids and friends in front of the Davis Bottom park during one of the popular summer softball games, ca. 1990s.