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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Arthur Lloyd Carter, Sr. (1922–2015) was born in Houston, Texas, but raised in Indianapolis. He graduated from Crispus Attucks High School and married Ann Grace Carter in 1942. They had five children. Carter enlisted in the U. S. Army Air Corps in 1942. He served as administrative clerk and pilot mechanic and was a Tuskegee Airman Cadet at the Tuskegee Institute. After the war, he returned to Indianapolis and attended Indiana University majoring in accounting. Carter worked for the IRS as a tax accountant. He also operated a private accounting service and operated the Twilight Travel Agency. His community activities included Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity and the Boy Scouts of America.

Sources:
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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The interview with Arthur Carter was conducted on 14 July 2014 at his residence in the Allisonville Meadows Assisted Living, Fishers, Indiana. Wendy Adams served as the interviewer with Wilma Moore observing. This interview is part of the Indiana Historical Society's Indiana Community Builders Oral History Project.

The interview consists of two DVD's, a user copy and a master copy, and a transcript of the interview along with a photograph of Mr. Carter.

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