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**BROICH AND FERNANDES FAMILY  
PAPERS AND PHOTOGRAPHS, CA. 1870-1986**

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## COLLECTION INFORMATION

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Visual: 1 photograph box, 1 OVA photograph box, 1 flat file  
Artifacts: 4 artifacts

COLLECTION DATES: Ca. 1870-1986

PROVENANCE: Caryl Wilhoite, Indianapolis, Indiana

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## BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

In December 1887, Carl Leonard Broich was born in Indiana (d. 1971) to Charles Broich (b. 1856), a German-born druggist, and Minna (Ebmeier) Broich (b. 1859). The Broichs emigrated from Germany in the early 1870s, and Charles received his citizenship in 1882.

Carl married Hazel Ruth McCreery (b. 1892, Indiana) in October of 1915. He worked as a factory representative for The Fitzgerald MFG Co. in the 1920s, and transitioned to a role as a manager for a feed company in the 1930s.

Hazel (McCreery) Broich was born in Indiana to Anna (Heard) McCreery (b. 1868) and Charles McCreery (b. 1860), an accountant. Carl and Hazel had one daughter, Lucile Marguerite Broich (b. 1918, d. 1986). In various records, McCreery is also sometimes spelled McCreary or McCrery.

Lucile attended George Washington High School and went on to graduate Magna Cum Laude from Butler University in 1938, making her the first college graduate in her family. She married Alvin Courtland Fernandes, Jr. in 1941. They had two daughters, Caryl (b. 1945) and Patricia (b. 1947)

Alvin Courtland Fernandes Jr. was born in 1918 in Illinois (d. 2004) to Alvin (b. 1895) and Pearl (b. 1897) (Frankeberger) Fernandes. They owned a millinery shop at 11 East 38th Street, Indianapolis, Indiana, called Alvon Shop. Alvin Jr. spent the majority of his career working in various roles for L.S. Ayres including President of the Ayres Department Store subsidiary and Executive Vice President of the parent company. He also served as President of Goodwill Industries Board of Directors in 1971.

Sources:

Ancestry.com

Materials in Collection

## **SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE**

This collection contains items primarily from the Broich and Fernandes families. Included are land deeds for several properties on the south side of Indianapolis and one on the north side. Other materials are family papers including wills, military documents, grade cards and diplomas, marriage and birth certificates, letters, news clippings, and a travel journal from 1911. A hand-written medicinal formula book of Charles Broich is also in the collection.

There is one scrapbook, created by Lucile (Broich) Fernandes, chronicling Lucile and Alvin's travels over 1943-1944.

There are a couple items related to L.S. Ayres: two Ayrograms, an Ayres Newsletter, and an Ayres stock certificate, ca. 1960-1970.

The collection contains photographs of Carl, Hazel, and Lucile Broich, and later photographs of Alvin and Lucile Fernandes and their daughters. There are also some images of earlier Broich and Fernandes families. There is one photo album with images of Carl, Hazel, and Lucile, ca. 1918-1933.

The artifacts in the collection include a ribbon from the Indianapolis Chapter of Eastern Star, a button with Carl Broich's picture, and two metal membership cards for Carl.

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