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GERRI DANIELS
ORAL HISTORY INTERVIEW AND TRANSCRIPT, 2016

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In 2014 the Indiana Historical Society began the Indiana LGBT Collecting Initiative to collect, preserve, and make accessible materials that document the rich history, tradition, and culture of Indiana’s LGBT communities. Part of the collecting initiative includes the Indiana LGBT Oral History Project. During this time period of 2014-2016, interviews were conducted of individuals, couples and families from all walks of life Indiana. This collection centers around the oral history interview of Gerri Daniels conducted by Mark Lee on February 5, 2016.

Gerri Daniels, (b. 1947) grew up in Robinson, Illinois. She spent most of her life cross-dressing in secret before transitioning in the 1990s and legally changing her name in 1998. While living as a man, she was married for seventeen years and had three children. Because of various health problems, some genetic and some acquired from exposure to Agent Orange during her service in the Army during the Vietnam War, she has not and does not plan to have gender reassignment surgery. She currently resides in Ellettsville, Indiana and works at a gun range in Spencer, Indiana.

Sources:
Information found in the collection.
SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The interview was transcribed from one video recorded interview with Gerri Daniels conducted on February 5, 2016 by Mark Lee, lead project manager for the Indiana LGBT Oral History Project. The interview, which includes the video recording and the transcript, is housed at the William H. Smith Memorial Library, Eugene and Marilyn Glick Indiana History Center, Indianapolis, Indiana. The video recorded interview is approximately two hours long and is recorded on one DVD. The collection includes one manuscript folder of the interview transcription.

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