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Dallas W. Greene Jr. Scrapbooks, 1965-2016

Biographical Description

Dallas W. Greene, Jr. (June 29, 1923-January 12, 2016) attended local grammar schools and graduated from Fair Park High School in 1941. At Fair Park he played on the baseball team and was President of the HI-Y and Captain Adjutant of the R.O.T.C. In May of 1941, Dallas was employed at Arkansas Fuel Oil where he played fast pitch softball for the state Champions City Service Softball Team. On April 15, 1942 he went to work for the Shreveport Fire Department as a Firefighter on #1 Pump at Central Station.

In August of 1943 he entered the armed services where he was assigned to the 2052d Engineer Battalion Fire Fighting platoon at which time he was promoted to Sergeant. Dallas served in this capacity in England and France. In June 1945 he was transferred to the 455th Air Services Brigade and promoted to First Sergeant.

Returning to the United States, he was honorable discharged in November of 1945 and returned to work with the Shreveport Fire Department on #1 pump at Central Station. On October 4th, 1947, he married Alice Whittington. He was promoted to Driver in 1949 of #1 Pump, promoted again to Captain in 1952 on #1 Pump and House Captain at Central Station. April 13th, 1965, Dallas was appointed Chief of the Shreveport Fire Department. Chief Greene retired from service

on October 31, 1989 after serving 47 years with the Shreveport Fire Department and 24 plus years as Chief.

Chief Greene was well liked and respected by the citizens and by his men in the Shreveport Fire Department. Under Chief Greene the first Rescue Unit was introduced to the department. One of his most important accomplishments was having the Shreveport Fire Department take over the EMS service for Shreveport. This was at a time when many fire departments were shying away from such a task.

During his time as chief, Greene is attributed with the completion and major renovation of at least 15 buildings including fire stations, a maintenance building and the Regional Fire Training Academy.

Greene is also credited as being instrumental in the development of emergency management during the Cold War era, promoting large-scale disaster drills throughout the community for a variety of potential hazards.

Letters of Appreciation to Shreveport Fire Department and Chief Dallas Greene

Box	Folder	Description	Date
1	1	Letters	April 1965-August 1967
1	2	Letters	August 1967-June 1969
1	3	Liters	June 1969-November 1970
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1	5	Letters	October 1971-June 1972
1	6	Letters	July 1972-August 1973
1	7	Letters	October 1973-October 1975
2	8	Letters	February 1975-June 1976
2	9	Letters	July 1976-October 1978
2	10	Letters	November 1978-November 1980
2	11	Letters	January 1981-September 1985
2	12	Letters	October 1985-September 1987

Newspaper clippings, photographs, invitations

3	13	Diploma – Fair Park High School	1952
3	14	Photographs: SFD Baseball Team	1968
		Greene awarding trophy	
3	15	Greene and SFD	2005
3	16	Greene at International Assoc. of Fire chief	1967; 1970; 1968
		Group: Green, Mayor Fant, George D’Artois	
3	17	Greene receiving plaque from American Legion	1971
3	18	Portraits of Greene: U.S. Army , 1945, Chief of SFD (3) Retired,	2001
3	19	Group photo of United Way Board, Greene and Liz Swain and others	2001
3	20	Group: Joe Burleson, Dallas W. Greene, Arthur Trit, Harvey Teasley	1987
3	21	Newspaper clippings: Death of Dallas W. Greene	2016
3	22	Photograph: unidentified group	1966

3	23	Programs, invitations	1979
3	24	Fires (2)	
3	25	Firemen on job; ladder truck	1970; u.d.
3	26	Newspaper clippings	1965-1994

On Shelf: **Scrapbooks**: Containing newspaper clippings, about fires, policies and politics affecting the fire department, and firefighters.

April 1965-August 1972

October 1972—March 1983

September 1982-October 1989