

Collection name: Jefferson Gray Collection

Collection number: TBRC - 19

Dates: 1860s - 2000

Quantity: 8 boxes

Provenance note: Materials gathered as student at East Carolina University and in work-related research. Donated in 2011.

Biographical & Historical Information: Jeff Gray is the manager of the Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary and Underwater Preserve. Jeff has a strong background in research, management, and protection. Serving as State Underwater Archaeologist at the Wisconsin Historical Society since 1998, he managed a statewide cultural resource program and developed and implemented the Wisconsin Maritime Trails system. He also acted as a scientific diver and lab technician for NOAA's National Undersea Research Center in Key Largo, Fla. in addition to conducting other archaeological work in North Carolina, Wisconsin, the Dominican Republic, Chile and Greece. Jeff also has extensive experience developing partnerships among and working with government agencies, businesses, non-profit organizations, and user groups. In particular, he worked with these entities to interpret Wisconsin's maritime history and preserve underwater archaeological sites. Gray has published numerous articles in the field of Great Lakes underwater archaeology. He serves on numerous associated boards and committees.

Gray received a B.A. in Anthropology and Archeology from Wisconsin's Beloit College and a M.A. in Maritime History and Underwater Archaeology from North Carolina's East Carolina University.

Scope & Content: Civil War Naval history; Great Lakes maritime history; maritime industries; Wisconsin shipwrecks – National Register of Historic Places applications; Minnesota shipwreck reports; ship construction research; bibliographical maritime research. See library's online card catalog for book selections.

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