

The University of Texas at Arlington Libraries Special Collections is pleased to announce the opening of the Latham Family Collection. Andrew Jackson Latham, his wife, and other family members and friends immigrated to Texas from South Carolina in the late 1880s. (Other family members immigrated later.) The Andrew Jackson Latham family bought land and built a farm in East Texas. A portion of this land remains in the Latham family today. This collection contains insightful, personal correspondence between family and friends separated by great distances immediately after the move to Texas.

Numerous Lathams have attended the University of Texas at Arlington, beginning with Major General (Retired) Willard Latham (North Texas Agricultural College Class of 1949). MG Latham, his brother Rex (Arlington State College Class of 1965), and son Mark (UTA Class of 1976) are all members of the UTA Cadet Corps Hall of Honor.

Rex Latham compiled and donated this collection. In compiling the material Mr. Latham relied on letters and other material provided by his Durham cousins, Curtis and wife Margaret and Robert and wife Loreta, and his sister Carolyn Latham Allen and brother-in-law Dr. Terry D. Allen. Mr. Latham felt that the collection would be at home at UTA, the successor of North Texas Agricultural College. The collection consists of one manuscript box (0.2 linear feet) of seven files containing numerous letters and historical reference materials relating to the Latham family. This material primarily covers a period between 1887 and 1888.

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