

Finding Aid for the Ionia Funeral Home Records Collection 107

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Summary Information

Repository	Grand Rapids Public Library, Grand Rapids History and Special Collections Department
Creator	Ionia Funeral Home. (Ionia, Mich.)
Title	Ionia Funeral Home records
Date [bulk]	Bulk, 1907-1921
Date [inclusive]	1907-1921, 1965
Extent	1.8 Linear feet Three boxes
Language	English
Abstract	<p>The Ionia Funeral Home records consist of three volumes that record burials handled by the Ionia Funeral Home, Ionia, Michigan. They contain such data as the name of the deceased, address, occupation, death date, age at death, cause of death, parents' names and birthplaces, funeral costs, and place of internment. Many of the records are for those who were occupants of the Ionia County Home. The volumes are arranged in chronological order, 1907 to 1920, with a brief recording in Jan. 1921, and a loose sheet for a death believed to be a murder in 1965. A copy of an alphabetical name index, prepared by Evelyn Sawyer in 1989, is included in this collection.</p>

Scope and Contents note

The volumes provide data on the funerals handled by the home. Data such as: name, address, occupation, age at death, cause of death, parents' names and birthplaces, place of internment and details of burial arrangement are included. Many of the burial of former residents of the Ionia County Home. An alphabetical index, "Index to the Records of the Ionia Funeral Home, 1907-1920," was prepared in 1989 by Evelyn Sawyer of the West Michigan Genealogical Society, currently only available in paper. Since volume one of the original records had no page numbers, the index was keyed to the record number, which is located at the top, right corner of each page.

Administrative Information

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Immediate Source of Acquisition note

Unknown, no accession number

Controlled Access Headings

Geographic Name(s)

- Ionia County (Mich.) -- Genealogy

Subject(s)

- Registers of birth, etc. -- Michigan -- Ionia County
- Undertakers and undertaking -- Michigan -- Ionia

Collection Inventory

	Box
Index by Sawyer	1
Jan 1907 - 30 Dec 1911	1
Jan 1912 - 30 Dec 1916	2
Jan 1917 - 5 Jan 1921, plus one loose sheet for a death Jan. 31, 1966	3