

## *President George W Bush Collection*

An institutional collection of photographs, news clippings, magazine articles and misc. items covering the life of George W Bush and his wife Laura Bush from the 1950's through 2002 with some undated material.

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### **Descriptive Summary**

**Creator:** The Petroleum Museum  
**Title:** President George W Bush Collection  
**Dates:** 1950-2002 and undated  
**Abstract:** The collection consists of photographs, news clippings, magazine articles and other materials that cover President Bush's political career, especially the 2000 presidential election as well as information on his homes in Midland and his wife Laura Bush.  
**Quantity:** ½ Box  
**Identification :** President George W Bush Collection (non-accessioned)  
**Repository:** [The Permian Basin Petroleum Museum](#)

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### **Biographical Sketch** (Note: information from this section is copied directly from [www.whitehouse.gov/president/gwbbio/html](http://www.whitehouse.gov/president/gwbbio/html))

George W. Bush is the 43rd President of the United States. He was sworn into office on January 20, 2001, re-elected on November 2, 2004, and sworn in for a second term on January 20, 2005. Prior to his Presidency, President Bush served for 6 years as the 46th Governor of the State of Texas, where he earned a reputation for bipartisanship and as a compassionate conservative who shaped public policy based on the principles of limited government, personal responsibility, strong families, and local control.

President Bush was born on July 6, 1946, in New Haven, Connecticut, and grew up in Midland and Houston, Texas. He received a bachelor's degree in history from Yale University in 1968, and then served as an F-102 fighter pilot in the Texas Air National Guard. President Bush received a Master of Business Administration from Harvard Business School in 1975. Following graduation, he moved back to Midland and began a career in the energy business. After working on his father's successful 1988 Presidential campaign, President Bush assembled the group of partners who purchased the Texas Rangers baseball franchise in 1989. On November 8, 1994, President Bush was elected Governor of Texas. He became the first Governor in Texas history to be elected to consecutive 4-year terms when he was re-elected on November 3, 1998.

Since becoming President of the United States in 2001, President Bush has worked with the Congress to create an ownership society and build a future of security, prosperity, and opportunity for all Americans. He signed into law tax relief that helps workers keep more of their hard-earned money, as well as the most comprehensive education reforms in a generation, the No

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Child Left Behind Act of 2001. This legislation is ushering in a new era of accountability, flexibility, local control, and more choices for parents, affirming our Nation's fundamental belief in the promise of every child. President Bush has also worked to improve healthcare and modernize Medicare, providing the first-ever prescription drug benefit for seniors; increase homeownership, especially among minorities; conserve our environment; and increase military strength, pay, and benefits. Because President Bush believes the strength of America lies in the hearts and souls of our citizens, he has supported programs that encourage individuals to help their neighbors in need.

On the morning of September 11, 2001, terrorists attacked our Nation. Since then, President Bush has taken unprecedented steps to protect our homeland and create a world free from terror. He is grateful for the service and sacrifice of our brave men and women in uniform and their families. The President is confident that by helping build free and prosperous societies, our Nation and our friends and allies will succeed in making America more secure and the world more peaceful.

President Bush is married to Laura Welch Bush, a former teacher and librarian, and they have twin daughters, Barbara and Jenna. The Bush family also includes two dogs, Barney and Miss Beazley, and a cat, Willie.

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## **Scope and Content**

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## **Restrictions**

### **Restrictions regarding access**

Library and Archive materials must be used in the library reading room. Prior appointment is preferred but not absolutely necessary.

### **Open for Research - \* Some Collections will be restricted\***

No materials within the collection are to be withheld from researchers.

### **Photographs-**

The photographs in this collection are both copyrighted and restricted from reproduction. Researchers must obtain written permission from the copyright owners before the archives will allow any reproductions.

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## **Index Terms**

The subject headings used by the Petroleum Museum are derived from the Library of Congress and/or locally developed.

### **Subjects:**

Barbara Bush  
George H W Bush  
George W Bush  
Jenna Bush  
Laura Bush  
Don Evans  
Al Gore  
John McCain  
Midland, Texas  
Rick Perry  
President of United States  
State of Texas  
Jenna Welch

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## **Related Material**

For related materials located at the Petroleum Museum see the following collections:  
President George H W Bush collection

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## **Administrative Information**

### **Preferred Initial Citation:**

The Petroleum Museum Archives and Library Center, 1500 W. I20, Midland Texas  
79701.

### **Preferred Subsequent Citations:**

### **Provenance:**

This collection is not accessioned; it is an institutional/informational collection.  
The staff of the petroleum Museum and Archives Center along with Jim Mooring gathered the materials of this collection over time.  
The Processor imposed a chronological order on this collection with an attempt to also group materials by subject.  
Excessive duplicate materials were discarded.

**Processed By:**

Amy Hooker 3/17/2005

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**Additional Sources**

[www.whitehouse.gov](http://www.whitehouse.gov)

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**Collection Inventory**

**Box 1 of 1**

**Folder 00: Administration**

- Collection Inventory
- Copy of George W Bush's White House Biography

**Folder 1: Photographs**

- B&W photograph of Bush and Father attending museum's N Wing dedication 1981 (2)
- B&W photo of young bush with parents in front of plane 89-2.2
- Color photocopy of above 89-2.2
- Photocopy of young Bush and family in Midland 1959 89-2.8
- Photocopy of young Bush and family in Midland 1959 89-2.9
- Photocopy of teenage Bush with family in Midland 89-2.10
- B&W photo of young Bush with father at christening of Scorpion rig 89-2.17
- B&W photo of Bush talking to rig hand at oil well with negative
- Photocopy of portrait of Bush 93-3.P-28146
- Color photo of new father Bush holding both twins
- Color photo of airplane with horns and "Don't Mess with Texas" on side
- Assorted color photos of George and Laura Bush at events in Midland 3 pages (no date)

**Folder 2: Midland Photographs**

- Photocopies of the following photographs
  - Aerial view of Midland 1975 76-93.302
  - Aerial view of Midland 1977 76-93.303
  - Aerial view of Midland 1977 76-93.303
  - Billboard for Midland Texas Rubin Collection
  - Aerial view of Midland 1979 90-5.4
  - Aerial view of Midland 1977 76-93.303
  - Aerial view of Midland 1953 Rubin Collection
  - Aerial view of Midland 1949 93-3.C-1949
  - Aerial view of Midland 1940 93-3.C-1952
  - Street scene in Midland plus original photo

**Folder 3: Midland Residences**

- Letter to Ellen Kern Re: Midland residences 1/18/1989
- "George W Bush Resident of Midland, Texas 1976-1987" compilation of addresses (2)
- "George H W Bush Family Residences in Permian Basin 1948-1959" (2)
- Photocopies of the following photographs

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- Color photo of childhood residence on Ohio Larsen Collection
- Photographs of Bush's childhood home and Cowden Park, 4 photos
- 405 E Maple house 89-2.5
- 1412 W Ohio house 89-2.6
- 2703 Sentinel house 89-2.7

**Folder 4: Laura Bush and Family**

- Photocopies of the following photographs
- Laura Bush and parents 1963 93-3.P-18177
- Laura Bush portrait 93-3.P-18176
- Laura Bush portrait 1965 93-3.P-19513
- Laura as baby in front of house 1947 2001-21.1
- Laura as toddler 1949 2001-21.2
- Laura as child 1956 2001-21.3
- Laura on tricycle 1948 2001-21.4
- Laura with Mother 1967 2001-21.5
- B&W blow up of above photo 2001-21.5
- Laura High School graduation 1964 2001-21.6
- Laura with friend 1965 2001-21.7
- Laura with family x-mas 1964 2001-21.8
- Laura college graduation 1968 2001-21.9
- Laura with family at graduation 1968 2001-21.10
- Laura in England 1971 2001-21.11
- Laura x-mas 1963 2001-21.12
- Laura graduation party 1964 2001-21.13
- Laura in England 1971 2001-21.14
- Laura with dog 1965 2001-21.15
- Jenna & Barbara Bush (twins) 2 photos 2001-21.16, 2001-21.17
- Laura with George and Mother Jenna x-mas 2001-21.18
- George & Laura with twins 1985 2001-21.19
- B&W photo of Laura seated in chair no date
- Color photo of Laura at Midland event

**Folder 5: Congressional Race 1978**

- Photograph of George Bush for Congress add
- Negative for above

**Folder 6: News Clippings: Governor of Texas**

- Postcard add for 1998 Governor's Race
- Dallas Morning News "Bush wins by Landslide; Perry, Sharp in Tight Race" 11/4/1998
- Midland Reporter Telegram "All eyes on Bush as he Takes Oath for a Second Term" 1/17/1999
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Inaugural Spotlight Shines on Midland" 1/18/1999
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Bushes Bask in Inaugural Glow" 1/20/1999
- Odessa American "Governor Touts Campaign Points in Every State" 10/24/1999

**Folder 7: News Clippings: Presidential Election 2000**

- Postcard for CNN documentaries "Becoming Al Gore" & "Living the Bush Legacy"
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Bullock Predicts Gov. Bush will rise to Presidency" 6/21/1996

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- Dallas Morning News "Governor Plans 'Private Time' to Weigh Presidential Bid" 11/4/1998
- Dallas Morning News "Father's Footsteps" 11/15/1998
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Most of Bush's Contributions from Texas" 7/19/1999
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Bush Rips Drug Use Question, Refuses to Answer" 8/19/1999
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Bush Turns to Inner Circle of Pros, Pols, Academics for Advice" 8/19/1999
- Odessa American "Bush Seeks to win Democratic Women Voters" 10/30/1999
- USA Weekend Magazine "His 'Coziest' Spot for Talking and TV" 1/21-23/2000
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Bush Best Choice for President on Tuesday" 3/12/2000
- New York Times online "Values Grown in the Conservative Soil of West Texas" 5/21/2000
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Bush Still Mum on who's in Race of VP" 6/8/2000
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Aiming for Washington, DC ... But rooted in Midland" 7/2000 booklet 16 pgs
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Oil Industry believes it would Benefit from a Bush Presidency" 7/3/2000
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Bush Rekindles Motto: 'The Sky Is the Limit'" 8/5/2000
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Bush's Remark about Reporter was 'Straight Talk'" 9/8/2000
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Gore's Surge has Bush Fighting for 'Sure-Win' Florida" 9/12/2000 1<sup>st</sup> page only
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Bush Bows to Gore's Debate Demands" 9/15/2000
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Bush Claims Victory; Gore Plans Protest" 11/27/2000
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Court Holds Fate of Presidential Outcome" 12/12/2000
- Midland Reporter Telegram "High Court Sides with Bush" 12/13/2000
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Game Over Bush Wins!" 12/14/2000
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Midlanders Confident of Bush's Ability to heal Nation" 12/15/2000
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Civil-Rights Groups to Protest Election Results" 1/3/2001
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Bush Keeps Feather Pillow in tow to Remind him of Home" no date
- "Bush Faces a Tough Battle to Defeat Al Gore" no date no publication id

**Folder 8: News Clippings: Cabinet Appointments 2000**

- Midland Reporter Telegram "Bush Backer Don Evans Takes his Licks at Roast" 3/12/2000 page 1 only
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Evans gets Official not from Bush for Cabinet" 12/21/2000
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Energy Choice Shocks many in Oil Industry" 1/3/2001
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Evans Receives Warm welcome on Capitol Hill" 1/5/2001
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Bush Pick Withdraws Under Fire" 1/10/2001
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Evans Prepares to Surrender life as Private Citizen" 1/14/2001

**Folder 9: News Clippings Inauguration 2001**

- Midland Reporter Telegram "Texans Ready for High Tim at Inauguration in Washington" 12/18/2000

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- Midland Reporter Telegram "Midland to Celebrate Bush Inauguration" 12/30/2000
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Midlanders Ready to Celebrate in Inauguration Date" 1/1/2001
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Midland set for Local Celebration" 1/20/2001
- Midland Reporter Telegram "President Bush Pledges Unity" 1/21/2001
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Bush Begins Presidency, Greets Public" 1/22/2001
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Up Close at the Inauguration of a Midlander" 2 packets 1/28/2001

**Folder 10: News Clippings: Midland Visit 2001**

- Two tickets to event red section 1/17/2001
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Bush to Head for D.C. from Midland" 1/11/2001
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Inaugural Inspires Songwriter" & Final Details still being Completed for Bush Visit" 1/12/2001
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Bush Tickets Available for Wednesday" 1/14/2001
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Elated Midlanders Gobble up Tickets for Bush Meeting" & "Midlanders Pray for Bush" 1/15/2001
- Midland Reporter Telegram "It's a go: Centennial Plaza to Host Bush" & "Forget Skirts, Neckties, Heels; Dress Warmly for Bush Event" 1/17/2001
- Midland Reporter Telegram "This is my Home" 1/18/2001
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Bush Presidency Creates need for 'Visitors Center'" 1/25/2001

**Folder 11: News Clippings: Miscellaneous**

- Dallas Morning News "Bush Biography is Recalled" 10/23/1999
- Odessa American "Bush-Bashing Biographer Faces Criticism" 10/24/1999
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Bush says son's Biography Contains 'Vicious Lie'" 10/25/1999
- Odessa American "Public has a Right to an Old Report" 3/12/2000
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Lawyer says Bush's Stock Sale 'Old News'" 9/7/2000
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Bush Team Plans to Look at our Economy" 1/2/2001
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Bush Promises 'Fresh Start' for every American" 1/19/2001
- Midland Reporter Telegram "Bush Makes Daring Launch" 1/27/2001
- Midland Reporter Telegram "As President, the Real Bush Must Step Forward" 1/28/2001
- Midland Reporter Telegram "O'Neill Says Tax Cut Plan Making Headway" 1/31/2001
- Parade "I want to Lift the Spirit of the Country" 4/29/2001
- "Bush Responds to Shootings: 'I Wish we Could Legislate Love'" no date no reference
- copy of ad for Spectrum 7 one of Bush's oil companies

**Folder 12: Magazine Articles: December 1999 – August 2000**

- U S News & World Report "Running on Their Faith" "Bradley and McCain Keep it Quiet" 12/6/1999
- U S News & World Report "Charting Their Own Course" "Al Gore's Risky Asset" 12/13/1999
- U S News & World Report "Act I Draws to a Noisy Close" 12/27/1999

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- U S News & World Report “Now, it’s Put-Up Time” “Counting on the South for Salvation” “The Perils of the Primaries” “The Only Overdog” 1/17/2000
- U S News & World Report “Hardball in the Heartland” 1/24/2000
- U S News & World Report “Survival of the Fittest” 1/31/2000
- U S News & World Report “A Lean, Mean Machine” 2/7/2000
- U S News & World Report “The McCain Mutiny” “It’s Show Time for Dollar Bill” “Confronting a Crusade” 2/14/2000
- U S News & World Report “Bush Turns the Tide” 2/28/2000
- U S News & World Report “When Super turns Titanic” 3/6/2000
- U S News & World Report “A Bloody Battle” 3/13/2000
- U S News & World Report “The Grumpy Swing Voters” 3/27/2000
- U S News & World Report “Who’s the Dimmest Dim Bulb?” “For Gore: Drip, Drip turns to Drop, Drop” 4/3/2000
- U S News & World Report “The GOP’s Budget Woes Begin at Home” 4/17/2000
- U S News & World Report “Son of Star Wars” 6/5/2000
- U S News & World Report “The Iced Tea Defense” 6/19/2000
- U S News & World Report “The Republican Rollout” “Accentuate ... the Negative” “In Philadelphia, the Spouse that Scored” “Rewriting History” 4/14/2000
- U S News & World Report “Al and Joe’s L.A. Moment” “Lieberman’s Edgier than he Appears” “Religion on the Left, Religion on the Right” “Whither the Women?” “Al Gore’s First Stand” 4/21/2000
- U S News & World Report “On His Own at Last” “Making the Case for Joe” “The Families are just Plain Folks” 8/28/2000

**Folder 13: Magazine Articles September 2000 – December 2000**

- U S News & World Report “Rollin’ on the River” “The Blueprint Blues” “Paying Atten-shun to the Military’s Needs” “Doing the Tax-Cut Two-Step” 9/2/2000
- U S News & World Report “The Numbers Game”
- U S News & World Report “No More Mr. Nice Guy” “Bush’s Strange Debate Gamble” “Sweet Charity Could be a Bitter Pill” Capitol Hill’s Case of Heartburn” 9/18/2000
- U S News & World Report “Not a Care in the World” “Taking a Shot at Hollywood Violence” “Face Off in Buffalo” 9/25/2000
- U S News & World Report “Can Bush Bounce Back?” “Bush Stick with his Plan” “So, Let the Debates Begin” “Married, with Children” 10/2/2000
- U S News & World Report “When the Grass has No Roots” “Playing with Populism” 10/9/2000
- U S News & World Report “Their True Colors” “Are Gore’s Tall Tales a Real Problem?” “Talk is cheap, but Governing is Hard” “The ‘Surplus’ is the Fuzziest Math of All” 10/16/2000
- U S News & World Report “Suddenly, It’s Serious” “Some Topics are too Dangerous to Discuss” “The Issue They’re both Betting On” 10/23/2000
- U S News & World Report “An Impatient Contender” “Looking for a Breakthrough” “Playing it Straight” 10/30/2000
- U S News & World Report “It all comes down to Gore” “In the Homestretch, Hitting his Stride” “The Making of a Political Spoiler” “Unhappy and up for Grabs” “Promises, Promises”
- U S News & World Report “It’s all up to Them” 11/13/2000



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- U S News & World Report “History Waits” “Messier by the Minute” “The County that Holds the Cards” “Will it Stop with Florida?” “Keep it Down!” 11/20/2000
- U S News & World Report “Eyes on the Prize” “In the Court of Last Resort” “Chadology 101: Divining a Dimple” “Fun and Frolic, it’s Florida!” “One county’s Collision with Chaos” “Options for the electors and Beyond” “The Voters Wait” 11/27/2000
- U S News & World Report “Order in the Court” “Nine Votes and a Big Question” “The Florida Court Cut Both Ways” “All-Out War” “Now, for a Truly Scary Scenario” 12/4/2000
- U S News & World Report “The Selma Mind-Set” “Confusion Reigns” “Hold that Concession” 12/18/2000

**Folder 14: Magazine Articles January 2001-May 2001**

- People “The 25 Most Intriguing People 2000” 1/1/2001
  - Texas Monthly “Bum Steer of the Year Ballot” 1/2001
  - U S News & World Report “The Rough Road Ahead – Bush Reaches out to Democrats but Risks Alienating Conservatives” Plus other small articles 12/25/2000 & 1/1/2001
  - U S News & World Report “An Extended Hand, a Thumb in the Eye – Bush’s Cabinet Offers Something for Everyone” 1/15/2001
  - U S News & World Report “Inauguration Issue: Promises to Keep- Despite his Narrow Win, Bush Presses his Agenda” 1/2/2001
  - U S News & World Report “The Morning After the Ball” 1/29/2001
  - Time “Inaugural: Boots, Barbecue and No New Taxes” 1/29/2001
  - U S News & World Report “Charm Gets You Only so Far – Bush may win Friends, but can he Win Votes?” 2/12/2001
  - U S News & World Report “Are you Ready for a Tax Cut?” 2/19/2001
  - Time “Bush vs. Saddam the Sequel” 2/26/2001
  - Newsweek “Big Energy at the Table” 5/14/2001
-