

HANK WILLIAMS FUNERAL AUDIO TAPES

96-026

Physical Description:

One (1) reel-to-reel audio tape copy

Dates:

January 1953

Provenance:

A compact cassette recording of radio broadcasts was loaned to the Center by Steve Arwood for preservation copy.

Biographical Sketch:

Hank Williams (September 17, 1923-January 1, 1953). World famous country singer. Many encyclopedic and biographical sources cover the details of his life, career, and music.

Scope and Content:

The recording (approx. 40 min.) is of the WCKY broadcasts announcing Hank Williams' death (January 1) and the live broadcast of the funeral service (January 4, 1953). The funeral service contained musical selections by Ernest Tubb, the Southwind Singers (an African-American quartet), Roy Acuff, Bill Monroe, J. Dickins, Carl Smith, Red Foley, and the Statesmen Quartet.

Location:

The audio tapes are filed with other audiovisual materials by format then by reel number.

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