### **LGBT-067-SC Katie Ward Collection**

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#### **COLLECTION REGISTER**

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#### **BIOGRAPHY**

Katie Ward was born in 1952 and assigned male at birth. She was drafted after graduating from high school, and spent 22 years in military service, including active duty on a nuclear submarine in the Navy and Air Force National Guard. After Ward left active duty, she married and attended community college. She started working in the printing industry, moving up in the international printing business until 2013 when her company was bought out and she decided to retire. Ward was married twice and had one child.

Ward was a transgender activist and very active in LGBTQ+ community in Central PA. She organized and participated in numerous activities, including the Keystone Business Alliance, Central PA's LGBT Chamber of Commerce; LGBT business mixers; local Gay Pride events; monthly Nights-Out with the Girls, and many others. She was an officer and longtime volunteer for TransCentral PA, and she helped establish the Keystone Conference, an international Trans conference held annually in Harrisburg

Ward passed away in 2021.

#### **COLLECTION DESCRIPTION**

This collection holds the program booklet for the Keystone Conference held in March 2017.

# **COLLECTION INVENTORY**

## **Series 1 Documents**

Folder 01) Keystone Conference Program Booklet – Mar. 22 - 26, 2017