

Studies of The Kamlet Papers

Jonas Kamlet, Ph.D. and his wife, Edna, founded the Kamlet Laboratory (1940-1979) in New York City. He was a pioneering consulting chemist with work centering on new methods of analysis, new chemical products, as well as identifying clients for these items and selling patent rights to them or licensing.

He died in a tragic airline accident in 1960, but his wife continued the firm's activities until she retired and moved to Sarasota, Florida. As a result of a visit to her home, by a development officer and me, she was convinced to donate the Laboratory's papers to USF, with an accompanying donation to pay for transportation and initial archiving.

The Collection is housed in Special Collections of the USF (Tampa) Library and is present in 190 boxes. The background and general contents were summarized by Mr. Andy Huse:

<http://www.lib.usf.edu/aeon/eads/ead-body.html?doi=U29-00049-K27>

Some of my publications in refereed journals have considered the lessons that may be learned from reading some of the files, and these publications may be downloaded using the following link:

http://scholarcommons.usf.edu/chm_facpub/3/