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## **OVERVIEW OF PAPERS**

**Title:** Robert Edward Tucker, Sr. Papers

**Date:** 1984-1997

**Extent:** 4 boxes (2.26 linear feet)

**Creator:** Tucker, Robert Edward Sr., 1924-1998

**Language:** English

**Repository:** Zach S. Henderson Library Special Collections, Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, GA. [specolle@georgiasouthern.edu](mailto:specolle@georgiasouthern.edu). 912-478-7819. [library.georgiasouthern.edu](http://library.georgiasouthern.edu).

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**Related Collections:**

[Robert E. Tucker photographic slides and photographs](#) (Georgia Historical Society)

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**ABOUT THE COLLECTION**

**Biographical History:** Robert Edward "Bob" Tucker, Sr. was an industrial forester and amateur ornithologist who compiled, over a thirteen year period between 1984-97, journals and field notes of his treks into the backwoods of coastal Georgia. Bob Tucker was born in Memphis, TN in 1924 and was educated in the public schools there. Although he joined the US Army in 1941 medical problems forced him to return to civilian life. He graduated from Louisiana State University (LSU) in 1947 with a degree in Forestry. Upon graduation from LSU, Bob went to work for Southern Advance Paper Co. in Jonesboro, LA. Soon thereafter the company was purchased by Continental Can Co. Bob worked for Continental in Jonesboro and Savannah, GA (except for a brief ten month stint with Southland Paper Co. in Lufkin, TX) until his retirement in 1981. Bob spent his retirement years doing what he had enjoyed best as a teenager in Memphis: observing and studying birds. He spent many days "out in the field" visiting Harris Neck, Cockspur Island, Skidaway Island, and the national wildlife refuge just north of Savannah. It was on those trips that he put together the information that became the journals and field notes in this collection. In 1955 Bob teamed with Dr. George Lowry, his old professor at LSU, to illustrate *Louisiana Birds*. The book, published by LSU Press in three editions, is considered the definitive ornithological book of Louisiana. Bob died in 1998 in Savannah at age 73.

**Scope and Content:** This collection consists of Robert Edward Tucker, Sr.'s ornithology field notes and journals concerning observations in the Chatham County area & the Georgia coastal islands. Most materials are handwritten and include daily observations from 1984-1997.

**System of Arrangement:** Arranged in chronological order

- Box 1:** 0200106671932
- Box 2:** #####
- Box 3:** #####
- Box 4:** #####

**Acquisitions Info:** Robert Edward Tucker Jr. to the Biology Department transferred to Library by Dr. John Parrish Gift, 2010.

**Access Points:**

Robert Edward Tucker 1924-1998  
 John W. Parrish Jr  
 Subjects  
 Tucker, Robert Edward, 1924-1998 --  
 Archives  
 Ornithologists -- Georgia -- Archives  
 Foresters -- Georgia -- Archives

Birds -- Georgia -- Archives  
 Birds  
 Foresters  
 Ornithologists  
 Georgia  
 Archives

## CONTAINER LISTING

**Box 1:** 0200106671932

<u>Items</u>	<u>Box Number</u>	<u>Folder Number</u>
A Journal of field and ornithological observations- Volume 1- 31 October, 1985- 9 June, 1986	1	1
A Journal of field and ornithological observations- Volume 2- 11 June- 2 September, 1986	1	2
A Journal of field and ornithological observations- Volume 3- 27 March- 14 April, 1987	1	3
A Journal of field and ornithological observations- Volume 4- 8 September, 1987- 24 March, 1988	1	4
A Journal of field and ornithological experiences- Volume 5- 28 March, 1988- 28 March, 1989	1	5
A Journal of field and ornithological experiences- Volume 6- 30 March, 1989- 31 December 1989	1	6
A Journal of field and ornithological experiences- Volume 7 (I)- 1 January, 1990- 13 July, 1992	1	7
A Journal of field and ornithological experiences- Volume 7(II)- 1 January, 1990- 13 July, 1992	1	8
A Journal of field and ornithological experiences- Volume 8- 19 July, 1992	1	9
Daily field trip records- 1982-1997	1	10
Daily field trip records- 1996	1	11

**Box 2:** 0200106671478

<u>Items</u>	<u>Box Number</u>	<u>Folder Number</u>
Field list of birds-Coastal GA, 1984-1997- January- June	2	<i>Loose</i>

**Box 3:** 0200106671460

<u>Items</u>	<u>Box Number</u>	<u>Folder Number</u>
Field list of birds- Coastal GA, 1984-1997- July- December	3	<i>Loose</i>

**Box 4:** 0200106671452

<u>Items</u>	<u>Box Number</u>	<u>Folder Number</u>
Field list of birds- Coastal GA, 1984-1997- A-Z	4	<i>Loose</i>