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**ABSTRACT**

**INTERVIEWEE NAME:** Arthur Kenneth Lee

**COLLECTION:** 4700.2472

**IDENTIFICATION:** Mossville, Louisiana native; Vietnam veteran; Grambling State University alumnus; retired from Citgo and Calcasieu Parish Sheriff's Office

**INTERVIEWERS:** Douglas Mungin

**SERIES:** Mossville History Project - Oral History Day

**INTERVIEW DATES:** January 24, 2015

**FOCUS DATES:** 1950s-2000s

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**Tape 4408**

Born September 26, 1948 in Lake Charles, Louisiana; father Richard Lee worked at Citgo, mother Elaine Lemelle Lee was a domestic worker and LPN; grandparents' names and origins; happy memories of rounding up and branding cattle, working on uncle's farm; involvement in sports and student government; importance of education; his children are all college graduates with professional jobs; attended grades one to twelve in Mossville, graduated 1966; went to Grambling; drafted into army in 1968; worked for Calcasieu Parish Sheriff's Office and Citgo simultaneously for twenty-one years; glad to sell property to Conoco and Sasol; location of family houses; grandfather's large vegetable garden; mentions Mossville community leaders, including Rigmaidens, Coach Williams and teachers; Coach Williams' emphasis on staying alert; family dinners at grandmother's house; defines "home" and "community."

**TAPES:** 1 (T4408)

**TOTAL PLAYING TIME:** 30 minutes

**# PAGES TRANSCRIPT:** 16 pages

**PHOTOGRAPHS / PHOTOGRAPHER:** Three photographs taken during interview, including one photo of Lee and two photos with interviewer Mungin. Photographer Kyle Tanglao.

**OTHER MATERIALS:** Biographical data form; Interview questions (2 pgs); Correspondence

**RESTRICTIONS:** per interviewee's request, all references to Vietnam are omitted, except stating that he left and came back