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David Leroy Alexander (1905-1995) Papers
1865-2001
1.25 cubic feet, oversize

Family papers of the Alexander and Graham families of Jackson County and Pettis Counties in Missouri. Includes correspondence, birth certificates, marriage licenses, funeral information and other legal papers. Also Alexander’s World War II military records; Robert B. Graham’s discharge papers from the Missouri State Militia (1865); scrapbooks; photographs; books; and a journal kept by James Andrew Alexander of Longwood, Missouri.

BIOGRAPHY:

David Leroy Alexander was born January 16, 1905 in Pettis County, Missouri to James Andrew and Mary Elizabeth Raines Alexander. He attended Longwood Missouri High School, graduating in 1925. In 1931, he married Marjorie (Margy) Graham Alexander in Independence, Missouri.

During World War II, David served as a member of the United States Navy. After the war he moved to Sedalia, Missouri where he worked as a postal clerk until his retirement in 1974.

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DESCRIPTION:

The collection includes birth certificates, marriage licenses, funeral information and other legal papers for the Alexander and Graham families. Also included are David Alexander’s World War II military records; Robert B. Graham’s discharge papers from the Missouri State Militia, 1865; scrapbooks; photographs; books; and a journal kept by James Andrew Alexander of Longwood, Missouri from 1898-1939.

INVENTORY:

BOX 001

Folder 1. “The Elementary Spelling Book” used by Jim Alexander, 1874

Folder 2. Journal kept by James Andrew Alexander, and later Mrs. James A. Alexander, of Longwood, Missouri, 1898-1939. Records births, deaths, marriages, moves, business sales, neighbors, weather, local crimes, special events

Folder 3. Marriage license: J.A. Alexander and Mary E. Raines, Longwood, Missouri 1896

Folder 4. Legal documents: J.A. Alexander, E.L. Alexander, Mary E. Alexander, 1863-1908


Folder 7. Discharge Papers, Missouri State Militia: Robert B. Graham, July 11, 1865. Widow’s Pension; Nancy J. Graham, February 10, 1914

Folder 9. Genealogy: Alexander, Graham, Raines families


Folder 11. Wesley Methodist Church, Sedalia, MO. Mr. and Mrs. R.P. Graham, new members


Folder 14. Correspondence: to Tom, Paul and Lorene from mother, photo 1912-1919


Folder 17. Birth Certificates, Marriage License, Obituaries, David L. Alexander, Margy Graham 1914, 1930

Folder 18. Miscellaneous Alexander family papers: obituaries, grade cards 1923-1978


Folder 22. Certificate of Completion: David L. Alexander, Naval Training School (Ground Controlled Approach) December 1944 (removed from scrapbook)

Folder 23. Paper: “Ground Controlled Approach-Pilot Briefing Information”
Folder 26. Miscellaneous Legal Documents: proof of name: Marjorie or Margy Alexander 1925-1985
Folder 33. High School Commencement: Andrew Alexander, Sedalia, MO 1968
Folder 34. Funeral: Rodney William Alexander, Sedalia, MO 1973
Folder 36. Legal papers: Mary Elizabeth E. Alexander, David L. Alexander
Folder 37. Scrapbook: Maywood Recreation, Billiards Hall, Jackson County, MO. 1938-1939. The “Q” Room
Folder 38. Scrapbook: Lorene Leona Birdsall Graham, ca 1925-1931
Folder 41. Photograph and documents: Reverend Ralph Emerson Hurd 1918-1919, minister at Epworth Methodist Church, Sedalia, MO
Folder 42. Photograph album: David L. Alexander 1940’s
Folder 43. Portraits: Margie Graham Alexander, David L. Alexander 1960
Folder 44. Photographs: Alexander family ca. 1900-1950
Folder 45. Photographs: Graham family ca. 1900-1960s
Folder 46. Photographs: U.S. Navy- David L. Alexander (removed from scrapbook)
Folder 47. Group portrait: unidentified group from Manhattan, Kansas
Folder 48. Photograph album: compiled by David L. Alexander while on Aleutian Islands 1944-1945

BOX 002
Folder 1. Textbooks: Barnes’s School History of the United States, Steele, 1914; Civil Government; Local, State and National and the History of Missouri, Loeb and Williams, 1907. (Used by David L. Alexander, Longwood, Missouri 1917)

FLATBOX
Folder 1. Public School Certificate of Attainment, Eight Elementary Grades, Anderson, Pettis Counties, Sedalia, Missouri April 20, 1921
Graduation Certificate: Longwood High School, Longwood, Missouri May 19, 1925