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PROVENANCE


BIOGRAPHY

A native of the Cedar Hill neighborhood near Edgar Springs Phelps County, Missouri. Rudy Foree was born on 7 October 1914 to Francis Marion Foree and Lourissa [also Lurissa] Adelaide Barrow Foree. The family’s name was originally spelled Fore. Rudy served in the U.S. Army during World War II as a staff sergeant in Company E, 6th Ranger Infantry Battalion. He was awarded three bronze stars for his participation in the campaigns of New Guinea and the Philippines. Following the war, he worked at the general Motors assembly plant near St. Louis. Rudy married Pearl Martin Ziock on 2 December 1986; they resided at Cadet in Washington County, Missouri. Rudy Foree died 19 April 1997 and is buried in Redbud Memorial Gardens at Potosi.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

These are personal papers, photographs and miscellaneous items of Rudy Foree, a resident of Washington County, Missouri, and U.S. Army veteran of the Pacific campaigns of World War Two. The collection contains genealogical material compiled by Esther M. Ziock Carroll of Potosi, Missouri, including Foree’s birth and death certificates and a family history.

INVENTORY

**Folder 1:** Photographs, Cedar Hill Baptist Church (Phelps County, Mo.), n.d.

Four color photographs include Rudy Foree in front of the Cedar Hill Baptist Church, the church and cemetery, and a color photograph of an unidentified two-story wooden building. A notation indicates that William Foree (Rudy Foree’s grandfather) donated the land for the church and cemetery.

**Folder 2:** Family photographs, n.d.

Assorted color photographs include fishing at Sunnen Lake near Potosi and holiday celebrations.
Folder 3: Family photographs, n.d.
   Miscellaneous black and white photos include a view of Francis and Lourissa Foree,
   certificate of death (13 February 1961) of Francis Foree, and a marriage certificate for Francis M.
   Fore and R.F. Barrow, 9 October, 1913.

Folder 4: Fore/Foree-Barrow Family history, by Esther M. Ziock Carroll.

Folder 5: Papers concerning Rudy Foree’s army service in World War Two, ca. 1945
   The folder contains five color photos of Rudy Foree’s uniform, one color photo of an
   ashtray from a shell casing, a view of Rudy Foree with Battery B, 96th Field Artillery Battalion,
   Camp Carson, Colorado; a photocopy of the 6th Ranger Battalion in review (1 June 1945);
   “Statement by General MacArthur for Press Release”; copy of “To Our Boys” a poem written by
   Max Grenn; one photo of Private R. L. Crosby and Acting Corporal R. Foree; and Foree’s
   honorable discharge from the U. S. Army, 13 October 1945.

Folder 6: Correspondence and papers, 1993-1997
   Miscellaneous personal papers including birthday greetings from Governor Mel
   Carnahan, President Bill Clinton, and Hillary Rodham Clinton, 1993-1994.

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