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Introduction to the Collection

Ron Brackett, a news director at the *St. Petersburg Times*, solicited letters to commemorate the sixtieth anniversary of the end of World War II. This collection includes submissions to the newspaper. Some of the materials in this collection appeared in a commemorative section published by the *St. Petersburg Times*.

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Provenance of the Remembering World War II Collection

This collection falls under the Journalism and Media Studies provenance of the Special Collections and Archives department, Nelson Poynter Memorial Library, USF St. Petersburg.

Scope and Contents

The materials in this collection occupy one acid-free document box (0.42 ln. ft.). The bulk of the collection includes correspondence. Some photographs, clippings, and other materials (including one CD-ROM) accompany letters submitted to the newspaper.

Related Collections

The *St. Petersburg Times* has previously donated three manuscript collections to the University of South Florida library system by that describe readers’ memories of World War II. The Nelson Poynter Memorial Library owns two collections: “Remembering Pearl Harbor” (finding aid, December 1992), and “Remembering D-Day” (finding aid, August 1994). In addition, the USF Tampa library has the “World War II Letters Collection,” a compilation of letters from readers who described where they were at the end of the war. Taken together, these smaller collections offer researchers a wide variety of vignettes from soldiers, families, friends, and others who have personal memories of the Second World War.
## Container Listing

### Personal Memories of Veterans (A-F)
- [Anonymous]
- Aquino, Ralph
- Babor, Edwin A.
- Bakker, Jr., Edward
- Bickell, Harvey
- Breen, John J.
- Briceno, Carlos A.
- Brunner, John
- Burns, Hubert A.
- Chase, Donald
- Cicchese, Nicholas “Chick”
- Davies, Jr., Norman E.
- Dietrich, Jack
- Drucker, Ernest
- Eoviero, Frank
- Falgout, Frank J.
- Fisher, Billy Wayne
- Fory, Garland V.

### Personal Memories of Veterans (G-L)
- Garwood, Edgar F.
- Gelli, A. J. “Jeff”
- Graff, Ed
- Gresh, Robert S.
- Hannah, Anthony F.
- Harrison, Erwin
- Hastings, John M.
- Heck, Charles A.
- Helfrich, Harold
- Helinger, Sr., Jim
- Hilgart, Walter L.
- Hunter, Delbert L.
- Jannarone, Emilio
- Kane, Frank L.
- Kastner, George S.
- Kearns, Bruno L.
- Keith, Robert
- Keller, Sr., John E.
- Kelley, James R.
- Leatherman, R.
- Lesnett, Sr., Dean M.
- Lester, Ken
- Lovuolo, Frank A.

### Personal Memories of Veterans (M)
- Malash, Alexander
- Matchett, Karl
- Mazzari, [?]
- Mock, Ralph M.
- Moore, Don
- Mueller, Kenneth H.
- Mueller, Otto K.

### Personal Memories of Veterans (N-R)
- Nater, Herman A.
- Nelson, Alan G.
- Nolte, Bill
- Norcia, Ralph
- Norris, Paul E.
- O’Mara, Robert H.
- Perry, Alva R.
- Petelle, Edward H.
- Presutti, Sr., Vincent J.
- Richards, Edward
- Riordan, Thomas A.
- Roche, Donald A.
- Roganti, Lawrence
- Rosenthal, George J.
- Rossi, Tony
- Russo, Charles L. “Chuck”

### Personal Memories of Veterans (S-Z)
- Sanders, Norman R.
- Sembrat, Joseph
- Slater, Lloyd Edward
- Smith, Melvin “Mel”
- Sutton, Willard J.
- Swenningsen, Jack
- Sykes-Free, Donald J.
- Thompson, Arthur F.
- Turner, David Harrison
- Vaughn, Robert M.
- Winter, Wendell
- Woolf, Basil
- Wray, W. H.
- Wysocki, Fred
Friends and Family (1 of 2): Family

Alexander, Jan re: father, Harold S. Davis
Austin, Paul re: father, Leslie H. Austin
Barrett, Jean re: father, Daniel Koehne
Bates, Taffy re: late husband, Paul L. Bates
Blevins, Henrietta re: husband, Grover Blevins
Brown, Gilbert M. re: brother and others
Bryder, Ellie re: friend and first love, Marion “Bish” [?]
Caswell-Kelly, Dorothea re: boyfriend and later husband, Fred Kelly
Cisarik, Marie re: boyfriend and later husband, Andrew Cisarik
Counts, Barbara Bleier re: father, Robert Bleier
Cseh, Lettie re: brothers, John and Andrew Floria
Darr, Paul re: father
Donnelly, Gloria re: father
Gallmeier, Harold F. re: brother, Bob Gallmeier
Gregory, Elinor re: husband, Ernest Gregory
Griffin, Jessica re: grandparents, Edwina Hussey and Earl Clark
Held, Patricia re: husband, Frederick Held
Huston, Carol A. re: father, Overton L. Conrad
Johnson-Reed, Mary L. re: father
Kelly, John re: father
Koch, Terry re: father, Charles Koch
Kovallovsky, Mary Malloy re: uncle, Robert Butler
Marro, Eleanor re: brother, Arthur W. Coughlin
Miskove, William F. re: family letters
Mitchell, D. re: husband, August Mitchell
Mohrman, J. re: two uncles and father
Moulton, Roxanne re: mother’s first husband, Karl Seig
Peters, Edward J. re: father, Thomas A. Peters
Schwartz, Carole B. re: father, Paul Jackson Burgess, Jr.
Sellers, Helen re: husband, Lyndell L. Sellers
Sheahan, Eileen re: poem from mother to father
Smith, Dorothy re: family
Sullivan, Dolly re: cousin, Stanley
Turner, Jean re: events in England

Friends and Family (2 of 2): Friends

David, Gloria McMullen, Jr., Robert J. “Bud”
Dokoupil, Robert W. Seymour, Opal
Johnson, Jr., Frank R. Thomsen, L
Lawson, George A. Trout, Marshall

Nurses

Ayers, Bernice Murphy, Hazel
Cummings, Elspeth Myers, Daisy

Home Front and Sacrifice

Bruning, Mary A. Moldenhauer, Alice
Ciarlo, Joanne Porter, Sandra J.
Clary, Jr., Emmett A. Reitkerk, Claude
Colontonio, Anthony Ross, Gilbert A.

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