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Descriptive Inventory

MSS 437 ROBINSON, Helen E., 1905-1986 and Ruth Robinson, 1897-1991

1 box. 16 folders. 227 items. 1914-1984. Originals.

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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Helen E. Robinson (1905-1986) and Ruth Robinson (1897-1991), the daughters of James Warren Robinson (1856-1936) and Stella (Jenkins) Robinson (1870-1942), were natives of Bowling Green, Kentucky. The women attended Bowling Green public schools. During World War II, they moved with their sister Marguerite J. Robinson to Washington, D.C. to work in government positions, Helen working with the General Services Bureau, Ruth with the Post Office Department and Marguerite with the Federal Housing Administration. All of them eventually moved back to Bowling Green. They along with one married sister Louise Robinson McElwain, and another single sister Mary eventually moved to 1046 Elm Street. Ruth retired from the U.S. Postal Service. Both sisters were members of the Presbyterian Church. Ruth died on 18 August 1991 and Helen died on 28 June 1986. They were interred in Bowling Green's Fairview Cemetery.

COLLECTION NOTE

These materials were found at the Robinson home at 1046 Elm Street. The collection includes correspondence (Folders 5-15) with family and friends, two autograph books kept by Ruth (Folder 4) as well as scrapbook items collected by Ruth (Folder 3), and several of Ruth and Helen's report cards from Bowling Green High School (Folder 2). Several of the correspondence folders have notes kept by the sisters about the correspondents.

SHELF LIST

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| BOX 1 | Helen & Ruth Robinson | 1914-1984 | 227 items |
| Folder 1 | Inventory | | 1 item |
| Folder 2 | School report cards | 1914-1917 | 5 items |

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| Folder 3 | Scrapbook items of Ruth | 1917-1918 | 15 items |
| Folder 4 | Autograph books of Ruth | 1943-1972 | 2 items |
| Folder 5 | Letters from Dieterich family members | 1974-1984 | 6 items |
| Folder 6 | Letters from Ione Edwards | 1947-1956 | 4 items |
| Folder 7 | Letters from Elizabeth and Gordon Lemmon | 1947-1977 | 41 items |
| Folder 8 | Letters from Jo Alyce Maher | 1949-1982 | 33 items |
| Folder 9 | Letters from Florence Robinson Nelson | 1957-1967 | 8 items |
| Folder 10 | Letters from Margaret Ellen Peltz | 1967-1980 | 8 items |
| Folder 11 | Letters from Ruth and Marshall Phillips | 1946-1969 | 15 items |
| Folder 12 | Letters from Helen and Glen Robinson | 1953-1977 | 19 items |
| Folder 13 | Letters from Pauline, Virginia, Bea and Richard Robinson | 1949-1980 | 16 items |
| Folder 14 | Letters from Marjorie Rudden | 1950-1980 | 17 items |
| Folder 15 | Letters from Dorothy Watts | 1950-1981 | 17 items |
| Folder 16 | Miscellaneous items | 1949-1984 | 20 items |

BIBLIOGRAPHIC RECORD

MSS ROBINSON, Helen E., 1905-1986 1914-1984
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Correspondence of Ruth and Helen E. Robinson chiefly with cousins and other family members. Most of the letters are incoming Christmas cards filled with family information.
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 Whiffen, Gordon – Comments about B1,F7

SEE or SEE ALSO

Lemmon, Elizabeth
 See:
 Whiffen, Elizabeth (Lemmon)

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