



**Western Kentucky University**  
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**Series 5 Bowling Green Business University**  
**Subseries 6 Lucian Flora**

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**Administrative History:**

A native of Smiths Grove, Kentucky, Lucian Flora was born in 1918 to Jiles and Nora (Pardue) Flora. He and his brother Bern enrolled in the Bowling Green Business University in 1938.

Lucian stated in his memoirs that he struggled at the Business University for another year (to May 1940) when the university's employment service helped me get a job with Pemberton Coal and Coke Company in Affinity a town in Raleigh County, West Virginia. Those coal company jobs were not the best by any means but they were away from home. When I got to Affinity after a twenty-four hour train ride from Bowling Green I thought I was at the bottom of the World! "

He enlisted in the U.S. Army and saw action with the 1st Armored through North Africa and Italy.

**Description:**

Scrapbook and memoirs created by alumni Lucian Flora of Smiths Grove, Kentucky of his activities as a soldier in World War II. Flora saw action through North Africa and Italy from 1941 to 1945.

**Dates:** 1940-1951

**Extent:** .2 cu. ft.

**Subject Analytics:**

Africa

Algeria

Autobiography.

Baltimore, MD

Historic buildings

Historic sites

Italy

Maryland

Morocco

Reminiscing

Scrapbooks

Soldiers

Tourism

Tunisia

United States. Army

Virginia

Washington, DC

West Virginia

World War II, 1939-1945

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European History  
History  
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United States History

**Accession Information:** UA2024-18 Stephen Flora

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**Allied Materials:** UA1C11/128 Lucian Flora Photo Collection

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# Finding Aid Report

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<b>UA94.5.6</b>	<b>Records</b>	<b>Date / /</b>
<b>Level</b>	<b>Subseries</b>	<b>Linked toUA94.5</b>
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<b>Collection</b>	<b>Series 5 Bowling Green Business University</b>	
<b>Scope &amp; Content</b>	<b>Subseries 6 Lucian Flora</b>	
	<b>WKU Archives</b>	
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<b>Container</b>	<b>Folder</b>	<b>Creator</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Title</b>
Box 1	1	Flora, Lucian Everette 1918-2006	1940-1951	Scrapbook
Description	Items removed from Lucian Flora World War II scrapbook D8450 Part 1 - <a href="https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/stu_alum_papers/278">https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/stu_alum_papers/278</a> Part 2 - <a href="https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/stu_alum_papers/284">https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/stu_alum_papers/284</a>			Subjects
	Baggage tickets			African Americans
	Bronze Star			Awards
	Camp Atterbury			Baseball
	Dawley, E.J.			Blacks
	Eisenhower, Dwight. A Personal Message, 11/8/1943			Correspondence
	Firestone, Sumner			Humorous pictures
	Flora, Jiles			Identification photographs
	Flora, Lucian. Medal Record, 7/19/1945			Integration
	Greyhound Lines			Maps
	Hale, Ralph			Tickets
	Health Certificate, 6/24/1945			Medals
	Honorable Discharge, 8/27/1945			Poems
	Identification Card			Poetry
	Integration			Receipts
	Italy			Telegrams
	Japanese-Americans			United States. Army
	Klinglesmith, Ear.			World War II, 1939-1945
	L&N Shipping Receipt			War bonds & funds
	Manus, Edwin			
	Mason, William			
	Meal tickets			
	Military Orders			
	Murray, J.J.			
	Prichard, V.E.			
	Quirk, William			
	Roosevelt, Franklin			
	Sikhs			
	U.S. Army 7th Replacement Depot			
	U.S. Army Service Forces			
	U.S. Army. 1st Armored Division			
	U.S. Army. Africa, Sicily, Italy Mission Accomplished, nd, D8452 - <a href="https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/stu_alum_papers/282/">https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/stu_alum_papers/282/</a>			
	U.S. Army. The Story of the First Armored Division, nd			

Wilkie the Great  
Wilkie, Wendell

Box 1	2	Flora, Lucian Everette 1918-2006	1940-1941	Scrapbook
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	Address books American National Bank (Bowling Green, KY) Beckley, West Virginia Chesapeake & Ohio Continental Employment Bureau & Teachers Agency Cornell vs Navy Football 10/18/1941 Doctors Flora, Lucian Fort Belvoir. Information Bulletin, 7/1941, D8453 - <a href="https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/stu_alum_papers/281/">https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/stu_alum_papers/281/</a> Ink blotters Koch, John Rose City Press. How's Your Brain? Selective Service Registration Card Sheppe, A.J. Tosh, Freida Woodrow Wilson High School. Annual High School Minstrel, 4/2/1941			Checks Correspondence Dentistry Dentists Physicians Football Programs Railroad travel Tickets Receipts Draft Taxation World War II, 1939-1945

Box 1	3	Flora, Lucian Everette 1918-2006	1940-1941	Scrapbook
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	American Oil Company. What to See in Washington (District of Columbia), nd Boston Red Sox Capital Transit Company. Guide Map Street Car & Bus Lines, Washington, 1941 Gayety Theatre Gray Line. Seeing Washington, 1941 Greater National Capital Committee. Highlights of the Nation's Capitol, nd Greyhound Bus Lines Jimmie Lakes' Famous Nite Club Marketing National Archives of the United States. The Murals in the National Archives, 4/1937 National Archives of the United States. The National Archives of the United States, 1940 Promotional items Rifle Range. Calendar / Points of Interest / Baseball Schedule, 1941 Scorecards U.S. Dept. of Interior. Fort McHenry: National Monument & Historic Shrine, 1940 Washington Senators Washington, DC			Baseball Business cards Nightclubs Maps Public relations Receipts Tickets Tourism Transportation

Box 1	4	Flora, Lucian Everette 1918-2006	1941-1943	Scrapbook
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	Alexandria Service Men's Club Alexandria Studio Algeria Atlantic War Bulletin, Down, Vol. I, Serial No. 2, 7/3/1942			Business cards Castles & palaces Licenses Historic house museums. Historic buildings Historic sites Armies Cafes

Cardiff Castle  
 Driver's License  
 Foulsham & Company, Ltd. Foulsham's Original Old Moore's Almanack, 1943  
 Hollywood Grill  
 Insignia of Rank of the French Army  
 Ireland  
 Leave slips  
 Majestic Café  
 Morocco  
 Mount Vernon Ladies' Association. Mount Vernon Virginia, 1941  
 Passes  
 R. Foster Limited  
 U.S. Army. 16th Armored Engineer Battalion  
 U.S. Army. North Africa: For All Members of United States Expeditionary Forces in North Africa, nd D8454 - [https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/stu\\_alum\\_papers/280](https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/stu_alum_papers/280)  
 U.S. Army. Pocket Guide to Tunisia, nd D8455 - [https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/stu\\_alum\\_papers/288](https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/stu_alum_papers/288)  
 Ulster Tourist Development Association. Places of Interest in Northern Ireland: South Armagh, Newry & The Mourne Mountains, 1942  
 Yellow Cab

Postcards  
 Receipts  
 Tickets  
 Tourism  
 Transportation  
 World War II, 1939-1945

Box 1	5	Flora, Lucian Everette 1918-2006	1943	Scrapbook	
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Box 1	6	Flora, Lucian Everette 1918-2006	1944	Scrapbook	
Description	Items removed from Lucian Flora World War II scrapbook D8450 Part 1 - <a href="https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/stu_alum_papers/278">https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/stu_alum_papers/278</a> Part 2 - <a href="https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/stu_alum_papers/284">https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/stu_alum_papers/284</a>  Calhoun, Hay Deiner, Harold Fattizzi, Francesco Flora, Lucian Harlan, T.T. Huber, Henry Italian Lyrics Maria, Mari! Orders Passes Samide, frank U.S. Army. 16th Armored Engineer Battalion U.S. Army. A Soldier's Guide to Florence, nd U.S. Army. Fifth Army. Road to Rome: Salerno, Naples, Volturno, Cassino, Anzio, Rome, 1944			Subjects	World War II, 1939-1945 Soldiers Songs

Box 1	7	Flora, Lucian Everette 1918-2006	1944	Scrapbook	
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Box 1	8	Flora, Lucian Everette 1918-2006	1944	Scrapbook	
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OS Box 50	21	Flora, Lucian Everette 1918-2006	1945	Scrapbook	
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OS Box 66	14	Flora, Lucian Everette 1918-2006	1945	Scrapbook	
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TopScholar		Flora, Lucian Everette 1918-2006	1941-1945	Highlights of My Army Career	
Description	<p>Flora, Lucian. Highlights of My Army Career, 1941-1945 D8460  <a href="https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/stu_alum_papers/285">https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/stu_alum_papers/285</a></p>			Subjects	World War II, 1939-1945 Reminiscing United States. Army Soldiers Autobiography.