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Descriptive Inventory

MSS 352 ELROD, Cecil Murray, 1923-2002

½ box. 9 folders. 46 items, 1924-1996. Originals and photocopies

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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Cecil Murray Elrod was born in Warren County, Kentucky on 4 December 1923. As a small boy, he was sent to Jefferson County to live with family. He attended Valley High School in Valley Station, where he met his future wife, Betty Lee Cloud. Elrod served in the U.S. Navy during World War II in Patrol Bombing Squadron, VPB-21. After his military service, Elrod worked for 34 years as civilian employee at Ft. Knox, Kentucky. He was a Baptist, a Mason, and a Scout Master for the Boy Scouts of America. He died on 1 February 2002 and was interred in the Bethany Cemetery. The Elrods had one daughter, Pamela J. Elrod.

COLLECTION NOTE

This small collection contains information about Cecil Murray Elrod, particularly his service in the U.S. Navy during World War II. The collection includes training notes he took about the operation and maintenance of planes, guns, and cameras. These notebooks also contain drawings of the same. Also in the collection are two aviator flight log books from 1944. A history of Elrod's bombing squadron, Patrol Bombing Squadron VPB-21, is also included. This unpublished history contains information about seaplanes, particularly the PBM Mariner. Rosters and other commemorative material collected for reunions of Valley High School (Jefferson County, Kentucky) Class of 1943 are found in folder 8.

SHELF LIST

BOX 1	Cecil Murray Elrod	1924-1996	46 items
Folder 1	Inventory		1 item
Folder 2	Identification cards, membership cards, report Cards and sundry other material related to	1924-1996	12 items

Folder 3	Cecil M. Elrod and other family members Notebooks filled with notes and drawings related to operating and maintaining planes and guns and cameras on planes	[1943-1944]	2 items
Folder 4	Aviators flight log books	1944	2 items
Folder 5	Items removed from flight log books in folder 4	1944-1945	16 items
Folder 6	"A History of Patrol Bombing Squadron VPB-21, 1944-1945"	n.d.	1 item; 215 p.
Folder 7	"Known Air Crew Members of VPB-21" – Roster	n.d.	1 item
Folder 8	Rosters and other information gathered for reunions of the Valley High School Class of 1943	1967-1996	8 items
Folder 9	Poems and doggerel	n.d.	3 items

BIBLIOGRAPHIC RECORD

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SUBJECT ANALYTICS

Boy Scouts of America – Relating to F2
Christmas – Relating to, 1944 F5
Elrod, Betty Lee (Cloud), 1925-1999 – Letter to, 1965 F2

Elrod family F2
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