Jordan, Milton Ray, b.1925 - Collector (MSS 247)

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Milton Ray Jordan has collected items chiefly related to the history of his maternal ancestors, the Beals and Reeves families. He was born 9 July 1925 in Andalusia, Alabama to schoolteacher Reuben Jordan (1880-1940) and Lola Lee (Beals) Jordan (1885-1947). Lola was originally from Bowling Green, Kentucky, and met Reuben when she came to Alabama to accept a teaching position. Lola’s mother was Susan Frances (Reeves) Beals (1865-1886) of Warren County, Kentucky.

This collection contains his correspondence with other researchers, family charts and group sheets, census data, marriage records, a will, postcards, and photos. Also included are histories written by other family members and genealogical information previously published elsewhere. Of some interest is the folder highlighting the Civil War service of Jeremiah Beals, blacksmith, of Monroe County. This folder includes his army enlistment and the pension applications made by Beals and his wife. Also of interest are the 1927 photos of Western Kentucky State Normal School and Teachers College, Bowling Green, that were taken by the collector’s sister Eunice. Additionally, Jordan provides information concerning the old Greencastle post office in northwestern Warren County. The Civil War documents as well as the marriage bonds, will, and photos are copies. The correspondence and postcards are originals.

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Collector  
Chiefly correspondence, family group sheets,  
vital statistics, and other genealogical material  
related to the Beals and Reeves families. Of interest  
are documents concerning the Civil War service of  
Jeremiah Beals, Monroe County, Kentucky, in the  
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