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Godby, Coye Perkins, 1918-2004 (MSS 453)

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Coye Perkins Godby was born on 27 December 1918 in Pulaski County, Kentucky to Henry and Pearl Waddle Godby. Godby had two siblings: a brother, Lovell Godby, and a sister, Dova Mae Jones. Godby joined the army in 1942 and served during World War II in France, the Rhineland, and central Europe. In 1945, he returned to Kentucky and worked as an electrician. He married Sarah Holder on 31 July 1954. The couple had two daughters: Patricia Canon and Janie Ison. Godby died on 22 May 2004 at the age of 85.

This collection is chiefly composed of World War II letters of Coye Perkins Godby, Elihu, Pulaski County, Kentucky, written to his mother, Pearl Godby. Also included are letters written to Coye by his mother, sister (Dova Jones), and Cora Pickering, a female admirer from England.

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Chiefly World War II correspondence between Coye Perkins Godby, Elihu, Pulaski County, Kentucky, and his mother, Pearl Godby. Also, letters that his mother wrote to him. Godby was stationed in Orlando, Florida before being sent to England, France, the Rhineland, etc. in 1944. Topics include family news, relationships, and military life.

1/2 box. 5 folders. 61 items. Photocopies. 2004.170.1

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