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Descriptive Summary

Collection Number

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Language

English

Physical Characteristics

6 albums.

Repository

Special Collections, Kegley Library

Administrative Information

Access Restrictions

Collection is open to research.

Use Restrictions

There are no restrictions.

Acquisition Information

Donated by Patricia Woods Botelle, daughter of Pearle Ceary Woods, in 2009.

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Biographical Information

The daughter of Joseph Patrick Ceary and Stella Moore Ceary, Pearle Ceary was born on 11 October 1924 near Cripple Creek, Wythe County, Virginia. She graduated high school in 1942 and worked at Wytheville Knitting Mill. In September 1943, she moved to Baltimore, Maryland to work at Bethlehem Steel Company. She married Cecil Preston Woods on 23 May 1953; the couple stayed in the Baltimore area where they raised two daughters. Cecil Woods managed a hardware store while Pearle Ceary Woods kept financial accounts for the store.

After the death of her husband in 1988, Pearle returned to Rural Retreat, Virginia to live with her sisters. Until her death on 31 August 2008, she devoted herself to family and genealogical research. She compiled six albums of research on her family and that of her husband. Her cremains are buried in St. Peter's Cemetery in Wythe County, Virginia.

Scope and Content

The Pearle Ceary Woods Genealogical Collection consists of six albums of genealogical notes, family charts, census records, photographs and other documents relating to the Ceary family, Cary family, Cleaver family, Surratt family, Moore family, Collins family, Cooley family, Lee family, Welsh family, Leatherman family, Pearman family, Freeman family, Porter family, Ferguson family, Ewing family, and Sublette family.

Contents List

Album 1. Ceary Family. 1910 - 2008.

Extent

1 album; 141 p.

Scope and Content

This album contains photographs, family charts, pedigree charts, census records, and other documents relating to: Pearle Ceary Woods, Cecil Preston Woods, Cripple Creek, Virginia, Rural Retreat, Virginia, Joseph Patrick Ceary, Stella Campbell Moore, Willard Robinson Deskins, Willie Cleo Ceary Deskins, Harry Douglas Bratton, Edna Luttie Ceary Bratton, Arthur Woodrow West, Cecile Virginia Ceary West, Rivers DeLaittre Davidson, and Stella Ruth Ceary Davidson, among others. A detailed table of contents may be found with the album and the in-house finding aid.

Album 2. Ceary, Cary, Cleaver Family. 1880-2006.

Extent

1 album; 139 p.

Scope and Content

This album contains photographs, family charts, census records, abstracts from local history and genealogical books, transcripts of newspaper clippings, and other documents relating to: Thomas Franklin Cary, Susan Catherine Cleaver, Pearle Ceary Woods, Joseph Patrick Ceary, Dorcas N. Ceary Hines, Frank

Cleaver Cary, shooting of Dan Carey by William Dalton in 1897, Ellis E. Rosenbaum, Alberta Rosenbaum Ceary, John Henry Cary, Susie Campbell Cary, William M. Ceary, Hugh Thompson, Emma L. Cary Thompson, Harvey Clyde Blevins, Dorcas Lenora Ceary, John Estell Carey, Della Frances Carey Blevins, Ethel Jones Carey, Gladys Ceary Rich, Rev. Fred Solomon Rich, Carlie Franklin Ceary, George Elwood Cary, Frances Paulette Waller Cary, and others. A detailed table of contents may be found with the album and the in-house finding aid.

Album 3. Cleaver Family, Surratt Family. 1787-2004.

Extent

1 album; 67 p.

Scope and Content

This album contains pedigree charts, family group sheets, abstracts from local history and genealogy books, census records, and other documents relating to: David Leonard Cleaver, Mary Ann Surratt Cleaver, Frank Cary, Susan Cary, Sarah Lucinda Cleaver, John C. Richmond, Mary Ann Cleaver, Nancy Cleaver, Rebecca Cleaver Aker, George A. Aker, Thomas Franklin Cary, Susan Catherine Cleaver, Dorcas Ceary Hines, Johanna Ceary Mitchell, Joseph Patrick Ceary, Robert O. Richmond, Walter T. Richmond, Frederick Cleaver, Jacob Cleaver, and others. A detailed table of contents may be found with the album and the in-house finding aid.

Album 4. Moore Family, Collins Family, Welsh Family, Pearman Family. 1796 - 1999.

Extent

1 album; 123 p.

Scope and Content

This album contains family group sheets, pedigree chart, photographs, deed records, census records, marriage records, transcriptions of newspaper clippings, and abstracts from local history and genealogy books relating to: John W. Moore, Elizabeth Collins Moore, James William Moore, Amelia J. Allison Moore, drowning of James William Moore, Julia V. Huffard Moore, John Harrison Moore, John Stewart Littreal, Evaline Virginia Moore Littreal, David Collins, Elizabeth Stephens Cooley Collins, Ann Lee Collins, John Welsh, Leah Leatherman Welsh, James Pearman, Jane Freeman Pearman, John Porter, Elanor Pearman Porter, and others. A detailed table of contents may be found with the album and the in-house finding aid.

Album 5. Welsh Family, Pearman Family, Porter Family, Ferguson Family, Sublette Family, and Ewing Family. 1749 - 1991.

Extent

1 album; 112 p.

Scope and Content

This album contains family group sheets, census records, abstracts from local history and genealogy books, photographs, and other documents relating to: James Pearman, John Porter, Eleanor Pearman Porter, Samuel Ewing Porter, Susannah Welsh Porter, Samuel M. Porter, Ursula Sublett Ferguson Porter, Andrew Porter, Margaret Jane Ewing Porter, Alexander Ewing, Rebecca Ewing, Benjamin Sublette, Elizabeth Jordan Sublette, Pierre Louis Soblet, Marte Martin Soblet, Abraham Soblet, Susanna Brian Soblet, and others. A detailed table of contents may be found with the album and the in-house finding aid.

Album 6. Moore Family, Porter Family, Collins Family, Cooley Family. 1896 - 2007.

Extent

1 album; 145 p.

Scope and Content

This album contains family group sheets, photographs, marriage records, pedigree charts, family group sheets, abstracts from local history and genealogy books, newspaper clippings, and other documents relating to: David Andrew Moore, Lutie Houston Porter Moore, John W. Moore, Elizabeth H. Collins, David Collins, Elizabeth Stephens Cooley, Pearle Ceary Woods, Stella C. Moore, Eugene Moore, Andrew Porter,

Joseph Patrick Ceary, Stella Campbell Moore Ceary, Weston family, James Claude Moore, Bertha Clyde Jordan Moore, Harry Reed Moore, Florence C. Shockley Moore, Owen W. Moore, Lois Hudson Moore, Eugene Walter Moore, Frank Loda Gentry, Lessie Agnes Moore, James Guy Dalton, Virginia Elizabeth Moore, Harry Reed Moore Jr., Rebecca Littreal Moore, and others. A detailed table of contents may be found with the album and the in-house finding aid.

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