

Gilliam Family Collection (AC22)

Introduction

The Gilliam Family Collection contains correspondence and other documents and photographs concerning the personal lives of the Gilliam family between 1939 and 1947.

Descriptive Summary

Creator: Theresa Gilliam
Title: Gilliam Family Collection
Dates: 1939-1999 [Bulk: 1939-1947]
Size: 1 linear foot, 4 boxes
Collection Number: AC22

Donor Information

Found in collection.

Citation Note

Gilliam Family Collection (AC22), Black Archives of Mid-America, Kansas City, Missouri.

Administrative Information

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Biographical Sketch

Theresa Cornella Gilliam was born in 1911 in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. She was a graduate of Lincoln High School in Kansas City, Missouri, and worked as a licensed nurse in Illinois, Kansas, and Missouri. Gilliam later served on the Patient Advisory Committee at Truman Medical Center. Her husband, Samuel Gilliam, was born in 1901 in Gilliam, Missouri. The couple had one child, Constance. Samuel Gilliam died in 1962. Constance Gilliam McCrorey died in 1999. Theresa Gilliam died in 2006.

Scope and Content Note

This collection primarily consists of correspondence received by Theresa Gilliam from family, relatives, and friends. The correspondence mainly addresses family affairs. Many of the letters have their corresponding envelopes; photocopies of envelopes were also found in the collection.

The collection contains some World War II related items, including an incomplete application for employment at the Sunflower Army Ammunition Plant and ration books. The collection also includes other documents concerning financial matters and Constance

Gilliam's schooling, photographs and negatives, and small artifacts. Photographic negatives have been withdrawn to Box 4.

Collection Inventory

- f. 1 Correspondence, 1939
- f. 2 Correspondence, 1940
- f. 3 Correspondence, 01/1941-05/1941
- f. 4 Correspondence, 08/1941-12/1941
- f. 5 Correspondence, 01/1942-07/1942
- f. 6 Correspondence, 08/1942-10/1942
- f. 7 Correspondence, 11/1942-12/1942
- f. 8 Correspondence, 01/1943-05/1943
- f. 9 Correspondence, 06/1943-12/1943
- f. 10 Correspondence, 01/1944-02/1944
- f. 11 Correspondence, 03/1944-05/1944
- f. 12 Correspondence, 06/1944-08/1944
- f. 13 Correspondence, 09/1944-12/1944
- f. 14 Correspondence, 02/1945-05/1945
- f. 15 Correspondence, 07/1945-09/1945
- f. 16 Correspondence, 10/1945-12/1945
- f. 17 Correspondence, 01/1946-04/1946
- f. 18 Correspondence, 05/1946-12/1946
- f. 19 Correspondence, 1947
- f. 20 Correspondence, n.d.
- f. 21 Envelopes, 1939-1947 (photocopies)
- f. 22 Envelopes, 1943, n.d.
- f. 23 Invitations, 1941, 1945
- f. 24 War time employment documents, 1942-1944, n.d.
- f. 25 Financial documents, 1936-1945
- f. 26 Constance Gilliam school records and other documents, 1940-1946
- f. 27 Ration books, 1944, n.d.
- f. 28 Clippings, 1944, n.d.
- f. 29 Pamphlets, 1945, n.d.
- f. 30 Miscellaneous documents, 1944-1945, n.d.
- f. 31 Photographic prints, 1999, n.d.
- f. 32 Photographic negatives, 1946, n.d. (withdrawn to Box 4)
- f. 33 Tokens, n.d.
- f. 34 Engrav-o-tints, n.d.

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