

## VIRGINIA ALICE FLEMING PAPERS

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Provenance: Received from the estate of Virginia Alice Fleming after her death in 2000.

Extent: 2 lin. ft. in 2 containers

Biographical notes: Virginia Alice Fleming was born April 6, 1911 in Wheeling. She died October 20, 2000, also in Wheeling. She had been living in Charleston working as an accountant for the Department of Mental Health for many years before that.

Consists primarily of photographs, plus a few pieces of correspondence and clippings, and three photograph albums. Names included are: Eva 'Pink' Russell Fleming (mother of Virginia), Thornburg, Russell, Gaston, Vass, Byler, Gyax, Boyle, Howd, Gist, Burkham, McKee, Alexander, Sikes and many others. Most of the photographs are identified.

Contents:

Box 1

Folders:

Folder with obituary and genealogical references -- Announcement of Sarah's and Virginia's baptisms, St. Andrew's, 1920 -- Obits of Eva Russell Fleming, Harry M. Thornburg, Dora B. Thornburg

Alexander Family: Charles Alexander -- Cora Alexander -- 'Till' and Charles Alexander at their home in Coral Gables -- Charles Alexander's home?? -- Nancie Sill (granddaughter of Till and Charles)

Cartwright and Simmons and other Iowa people: Cartwright's baby -- Ada Cartwright -- William Dugger -- Pardon Simmons -- Paul Smith -- Clarence Gaston -- Ada Simmons

Clippings and Ephemera.: Triadelphia High School class of 1931 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary -- Clippings of Eva's and Virginia's hair -- Handwritten play in verse about hats that she saved -- a few other clippings.

Feay Sisters: Jenny Feay Gist, Maggie Feay Burkham

Fleming Children -- Katherine Bartola, Sarah Agnes Fleming, Virginia Alice Fleming at Halloween (2 copies) -- Russell Stone, Grace Stone, Sarah Agnes Fleming, Virginia Alice Fleming -- Elizabeth Sissy Russell, Sarah Agnes Fleming on steps (3 copies) -- Elizabeth Russell Fleming, Sarah Agnes Fleming with muffs and hats (2 copies) -- Grace Stone and Virginia Alice Fleming -- Joe Coudon, Cecil Cris -- Sarah Agnes Fleming and Virginia Alice Fleming at Pt. Pleasant -- Point Pleasant: Russell Stone, Sarah A. Fleming, Grace Elizabeth Stone, Virginia A. Fleming -- Elizabeth and Sarah -- Virginia at Uncle [ ] Thornburg's farm, Elm Grove

Elizabeth Russell 'Sissy' Fleming (1905-1911) : Baby picture (2 copies) -- 1 later picture.

Eva 'Pink' Russell Fleming, 1953 -- 1956 -- enlargement of 1956 picture

Eva Russell Fleming: 2 childhood pictures -- Eva as adult (portrait) -- Eva Russell Fleming and her mother Elizabeth Thornburg Russell -- Edwin Stone, Pink Russell, Orville Thornburg, Charles

Alexander – Cora Alexander, Pink Russell and Mary Alexander

Virginia Alice Fleming, ca. 1930 – Virginia, 1920s

Gygax, Stone, Point Pleasant relatives: Virginia, Pauline Gygax Dye, Grace Elizabeth Stone, William Gygax – Pauline Gygax, Virginia Fleming, Billy Gygax – Virginia and Pauline – Edwin Stone, Billy Gygax – Harriet 'Had' Thornburg Stone (2 pictures) – Bertha Stone, Pauline Gygax

Virginia Jones Harper: Letter to Fleming thanking her for efforts to publicize Time Steals Softly – copy of Fleming's letter to Harper including genealogical details, and story that her greatgrandmother had a dream of Lydia Boggs at the moment of Boggs' death – Article about John Garden from Cranmer's book – Wheeling News-Register article about Lydia Shepherd

Howd and Gems Families in Illinois: Florence and Bill Gems' children – Grace Gems – Terida [?]  
Howd – Jewel Howd – Stanley Howd, Curtis Howd, Lois Howd, Murray, Elnore and Laura Thornburg – Frank Byler.

McKee family: Lottie, Stanley, Clara, Mary (Newton, KS) – Clara (baby picture) – Ed McKee – Mary McKee.

Miscellaneous pictures: Mary Belleau Rockefeller; James Brennan; State Fair Park pass; Nancie Sill; someone at Oglebay Park, 1940; 'Lead' Grange; Joseph Thornburg's gravestone; Sarah M. Alexander's grave; Cora B. Alexander's grave ; Sarah Jane McIntyre (godmother), Nurse on reservation – Shepherd descendants at Monument Place, 1992 – Virginia on Bermuda trip, 1961 – Donald Ballenger – Alec and Nicholas Troeger, 1995 (Troeger Christmas card) – Sam Front – S. Reetman.

Sarah M Thornburg McKee Alexander (Bridgeport OH) (2 pictures)

Russell Family – group picture at home at 901 Main St., Wheeling. Edwin Stone, 'Pink' Russell, Aunt Had, Uncle Dave, Elizabeth Thornburg Russell, Joseph Russell

Joseph Russell

Elizabeth Thornburg Russell (3 copies) – Elizabeth Russell with Pink and Mollie.

George Stifel Co. paper bag

Thornburg Family: Harriet Thornburg – J. H. Thornburg – 4 young people 'Mr. Thornburg' written on back – Joseph Thornburg (adult) – Joseph Thornburg (child) – John Mills – Caroline Mills – James Mills – Hattie Thornburg Stone – Addie Sikes Vass (2 pictures) – Alva Vass, Addie Sikes, Adrin Wallace, Harriet Thornburg, baby pictures 'Uncle Joe and aunt Irma' written on the back.

Tin types: Sarah Jane Mills (3) – Joe Thornburg as infant (2) – Sarah Thornburg Stone – Caroline Mills – Joe Thornburg – 2 unidentified tintypes

Unidentified pictures (2 folders)

Woodsdale School, 8<sup>th</sup> grade group pictures (ca. 1924) – and another school group

BOX 2

Inscribed copy of *Time Steals Softly*

Framed photo of Mary Alexander

Eva Pink Russell's photo album (14 cm.) -- Virginia Gibson, Tommy Golden – Mrs. Nicholls of Nicholls' farm – Cora Alexander – Edwin Stone – Mayme Connelly Hamilton – Grandmother Thornburg – Margaret Robinson – Cora Alexander (?) -- Edwin Birch – Day Her[.....] -- Joe Beuter – Tommy Golden.

Photo album with mirror on the cover: Martha Byler – unidentified couple – Alva Vass – Manda Nixon – Florence Styles – Carl [?] Mendenhall – Lula Beck – Lottie Lee – Clara Collmer – Ida Neiman – Ellen Kimbaugh

Photo album with cloth cover: David Nixon – Elizabeth Nixon – Ed, Anna Cartwright – George Cartwright – Elmer & Minnie Cartwright.