



Patricia Shively Elmore Papers (CG0013)

Collection Number: CG0013

Collection Title: Patricia Shively Elmore Papers

Dates: 1878-2015

Creator: Elmore, Patricia Shively, 1935-2015

Abstract: The Patricia Shively Elmore Papers contain diaries, correspondence, genealogy, scrapbooks, and photographs related to the donor's family. This collection also contains diplomas, commencement programs, military documents, photographs, souvenir postcards, films, and funeral memorabilia of the donor's second husband, William "Bill" Elmore.

Collection Size: 2.4 cubic feet
(14 folders, 8 film reels, 2 oversized volumes)

Language: Collection materials are in English.

Repository: The State Historical Society of Missouri

Restrictions on Access: Collection is open for research. This collection is available at [The State Historical Society of Missouri Research Center-Cape Girardeau](#). If you would like more information, please contact us at capegirardeau@shsmo.org. Collections may be viewed at any research center.

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Donor Information: The papers were donated to the State Historical Society of Missouri by Patricia Shively Elmore in January 2015 (Accession No. CGA0012).

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Historical Note:

Patricia Shively Elmore was born on December 29, 1935 in Dexter, Missouri, to Edward M. and Doris (Tweedy) Shively. Elmore's paternal grandparents, Loren Stanford Shively and Sarah Katherine "Kate" (Medley) Shively married in 1906 and their son Edward was born in 1907. Kate was an independent woman and documented her travels west beginning in 1922. She, and fifteen-year-old Edward, departed southeast Missouri on June 1st for Santa Fe, New Mexico, and Yellowstone Park. Eventually, Kate relocated to Apache Junction, Arizona. Kate and Loren Shively divorced, and Kate married Charles E. Gohn on January 31, 1929 in Denver, Colorado. Angel P. Serna murdered Kate Gohn at her ranch on December 29, 1947. Serna was later executed by the state of Arizona.

Patricia Elmore married Lee Shipman in 1953 and had three children: Carol, Katherine, and Trent. Lee Shipman died in 1985, and in 1988, Patricia married William "Bill" Elmore. This was also Bill's second marriage. His first was to Elizabeth "Betty" Moore on September 19, 1952. Betty Elmore died May 27th, 1987. Bill, who was born in Bloomfield, Missouri, graduated from Bloomfield High School in 1948. He served in the United States Marine Corps during the Korean Conflict. Bill was employed by the Missouri Department of Transportation for thirty-three years and retired in 1992 as a Survey Party Chief. He died at Southeast Missouri Hospital on January 26, 2000.

Patricia Elmore graduated from Bloomfield High School and Southeast Missouri State University. She was a librarian with the Dexter Public Schools until retiring. One of her major interests, genealogy, resulted in four published books on her family history. She died on January 22, 2015.

Arrangement:

The collection has been arranged into a single series.

Scope and Content Note:

This collection contains journals, correspondence, and photographs pertaining primarily to Patricia Elmore's grandmother, Sarah "Kate" (Medley) Shively. The collection also contains additional genealogy and miscellaneous information documented in correspondence, notes, photographs, and scrapbooks of the Tweedy, Shively, Wilkinson, and Medley families. Of interest in this collection are the 1922 travel diaries of Kate Medley where she and her son Edward, traveled by car to Arizona and New Mexico detailing their adventures along the way. The scrapbooks, ranging in date from 1878 to 1890, belonged to Emma (Wilkinson) Medley, Elmore's great grandmother. These oversized items have been withdrawn and stored in an oversize flat box. Two published works, *Are you English?: Are you Kin to John & Sinai (Ballew) English?* and *Tweedy: Kin by Blood and Marriage* are held in the reference collection.

The remainder of the donation belonged to the donor's second husband, William "Bill" Elmore. Bill's items include diplomas, photographs, postcards from middle school and high school, documents from his military service, photographs, films, memorabilia from his first marriage and his employment, funeral memorials, and obituaries. The 8mm reel to reel films have not been digitized.

Container List:

Box 001	f. 1	Katherine (Medley) Shively diary, 1922-1929
	f. 2	Katherine (Medley) Shively diary, no date
	f. 3	Katherine (Medley) Gohn diary, 1941-1942, 1944
	f. 4	“Bits of Folklore from Aunt Kate’s Notes,” transcription and commentary, 1964, no date
	f. 5	Correspondence with transcription and notes, 1940-2014
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Box 003	f. 14	Color slides, 1955
	v. 1	Scrapbook, 1875
Box 004	v. 2	Scrapbook, 1890
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	r. 2	8 mm film, “#9 Survey Party”
	r. 3	8 mm film, “5 Baptizing Big Spring”
	r. 4	8 mm film, “Hearnes”
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