



Robert Harry Krieger Papers (S0227)

Collection Number: S0227

Collection Title: Robert Harry Krieger Papers

Dates: 1917-1983

Creator: Krieger, Robert Harry

Abstract: The Robert Harry Krieger Papers contain three journals and military certificates documenting Krieger's service in the United States Army with the 198th Chemical Depot Company in the European Theater of Operations and the Asiatic-Pacific Theatre during World War II. Additionally, the collection contains Robert's father's World War I journal from when he served in the United States Naval Reserve Forces on a submarine chaser and minesweeping ship.

Collection Size: 0.25 cubic foot
(4 folders)

Language: Collection materials are in English.

Repository: The State Historical Society of Missouri

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Biographical Note:

Robert Harry Krieger was born on September 11, 1922, to Harry William Krieger and Ruth Edna Von Arx. Robert's father, Harry Krieger served in World War I in the United States Naval Reserve Force aboard the USS SC-208, a submarine chaser and minesweeping ship based out of Plymouth, England and Queenstown, Ireland.

Robert Krieger served in World War II in the 198th Chemical Depot as a firefighter and supply clerk. During his training at Camp Sibert, Alabama, Krieger was a firefighter with the 198th Chemical Depot. In January 1945, he was deployed to Europe, where he fought in the Rhineland Campaign. Following the costly Allied victory, Krieger was awarded two bronze stars and a good conduct medal. In July 1945, Krieger was ordered to the Asiatic-Pacific Theatre on Saipan until December 1945, when he was sent back to the United States and honorably discharged.

Arrangement:

The collection has been arranged chronologically into 3 folders.

Scope and Content Note:

This collection contains detailed journals written by both Harry William Krieger and Robert Harry Krieger during their service in World War I and World War II, respectively. Harry's journal is dated April 1917 to June 1919 and documents his duties and activities during his deployment. Robert's journals chronicle his induction into the United States Army on December 26, 1942, to his time with the 198th Chemical Depot. The journals end with Robert staying at Camp Swift, Texas, on January 2, 1945, ending just before his deployment to Europe. Included in the journals are newspaper clippings, airmail correspondence, and sketches Robert drew of his friends. Additionally, the collection contains birth, death, and military certificates for Robert and his mother, Ruth. The materials in this series date from 1917-1983 and are arranged chronologically.

Container List:

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