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MS 434 Lawrence L. Bowyer Collection

Introduction

The collection contains a typewriter that belonged to Lawrence L. Bowyer, a resident of Pittsburg, Kansas.

Descriptive Summary

Creator: Lawrence L. Bowyer
Title: Lawrence L. Bowyer Collection
Date: 1949
Size: .5 Linear Feet
Collection Number: MS 434

Donor Information:

Donated by Jo Helen Bowyer and Marcia Bowyer Topham in 2020.

Citation Note

Lawrence L. Bowyer Collection (MS 434), Special Collections and University Archives, Pittsburg State University Axe Library, Pittsburg, Kansas.

Administrative Information

Restrictions: None

Biographical Sketch

Lawrence L. Bowyer graduated from Pittsburg State Teachers College (now Pittsburg State University) in 1942 with a degree in business education. Following his graduation, Bowyer joined the US Marine Corps, enlisting as a Captain after Pearl Harbour. Bowyer served as a Captain in the Pacific theater during World War II. After his time in the service Bowyer worked teaching business classes at Pittsburg High School for 39 years.

Lawrence married Jo Helen Myers Bowyer on May 17, 1943, and they remained married until his death. Jo Helen Myers Bowyer was a stenographer at Emporia State Teachers College and Neosho County Welfare Office. After being married Jo Helen was a homemaker, and enjoyed activities like sowing, knitting, crocheting, fishing, and camping. Jo Helen was a member of the First United Methodist Church, UMW, AARP, and the Southwest Kansas retired school personnel. She died on May 29, 2020.

Scope and Content Note

This collection contains a single item: a Smith-Corona Sterling portable typewriter. The typewriter was purchased by Lawrence L. Bowyer in 1949, at Ettinger Office Supply in Pittsburg, Kansas.

Collection Inventory

Series 1: Typewriter 1949

f.1 Typewriter

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