

**Collection #
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**EDMUND R. GREENWOOD
LETTERS, 1944–1946**

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION: 1 box, 1 folder of photographs

COLLECTION DATES: 1944–1946

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NOTES:

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Edmund R. Greenwood (1927–1993) was born Michigan but later moved with his family to Terre Haute, Vigo County, Indiana where he attended school. He was drafted into the U. S. Army in March, 1944 and served as a truck driver with the 341 Infantry Regiment, 86 Infantry Division in France, Belgium and Germany. He was wounded in Germany on 16 April 1945 and was awarded the Purple Heart. He received an emergency hardship discharge in May 1946 resulting from the death of his father. Greenwood later moved to Logansport, Cass County.

Sources:

Information in Collection

Ancestry, Library Edition, <http://search.ancestrylibrary.com/> accessed 8 June 2010

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection contains letters written to and by Edmund Greenwood while serving in the U. S. Army during the era of the Second World War, 1944–1946. Most of the letters were written between Greenwood and his parents. Included are letters while he was training at Camp Wolter, Texas and San Luis Obispo and Camp Cooke, California, March–December 1944. Most of these letters are general in nature and discuss everyday activities. Letters exchanged from Europe include information about his daily activities during the war, his injury and life as a patient in a hospital in Belgium, and dissatisfaction remaining in Europe after the armistice, March, 1945–March 1946.

There also are letters and information about Greenwood's wounds, April–May, 1945 and attempts to obtain his emergency discharge after the death of his father, December 1945–May 1946.

The collection also contains six photographs. Two appear to have been taken while training in the United States. Two were taken while stationed in Europe. One photograph is of Greenwood and fellow patients while recovering from his wound. There is also a photograph of an unidentified soldier.

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