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**GUY M. KINMAN FAMILY
RECORDS, CA. 1933–2011**

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Guy M. Kinman was born 25 March 1888 in Winslow, Indiana, to John Kinman and Eliza Ellen Fleener. He had a sister, Olentice (b.1892), and a brother, Leo (b.1902). His father, John Kinman, served in the Union Army during the Civil War, while his mother, Eliza, came from the William Henry Harrison Flenner family. Early settlers of Indiana, the ancestors of the Kinmans established Petersburg, Pike County, Indiana.

The Kinman Family was often poor, as their farm was unprofitable. For additional income, the family often ran boarding houses or hotels in various cities across the state. Guy Kinman spent his early years on a farm in Tennyson, Indiana, but his family moved to his maternal grandparents' farm outside of Lynnville, Indiana, when he was four years old. He lived there until he was thirteen years old and returned to the farm in Tennyson after the passing of his last surviving grandparent in 1901.

Despite living in a rural farm community, Kinman attended school regularly and entered Boonville High School in 1905. He was sent to live with a family friend during his high school career, as there was no high school near his family home. Kinman played football during high school, priding himself on his ability to outrun most people. He would end his high school career as the captain of the football team.

At the age of 21, Kinman received his high school diploma. In 1909, he enrolled at Indiana University in Bloomington, Indiana. Not long after moving, his family followed him to Bloomington. They ran a student boarding and rooming house and later a grocery store. Kinman graduated in 1911 with a Bachelor of Laws degree. After graduation, he worked as a teacher for several years to save money to go to law school. Eventually, Kinman joined the Air Corps, retiring with the rank of Colonel.

He married Eva Lorena Hoge in 1916, after meeting her while teaching at a military academy in Missouri. Together they had two sons, Guy (b. 1917) and Marlin (b.1921). Guy Kinman passed away July 1961.

Sources:

Material in the collection.

Ancestry.com

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection consists of Guy M. Kinman's autobiography. There is a typed version of his biography, "A Little of My History" from 1933 and a transcribed version with additional notes and edits in the margins from Lee A. Carleton in 1995. Much of the autobiography describes Kinman's experiences growing up on a Midwestern farm in the early 1900s. Also included in this collection is research and genealogy of the Kinman, Pugh, Fleener, Crawford, Hooker, Hutchinson, Jackson, Marlin, and Hoge Families.

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