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**VINCENT C. D'ANDREA
COLLECTION, 1944-2019**

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

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NOTES:

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Vincent Carl D'Andrea (1925-1999) was born in Tiltonsville, Jefferson County, Ohio. In June, 1943, he enlisted in the United States Navy and served on the heavy cruiser USS *San Francisco* and served until May, 1946. D'Andrea re-enlisted for the Korean War and served from September, 1950-April, 1952, serving as a motor machinists' mate. Vincent D'Andrea married Ann L. Gaudio in August, 1984.

The New Orleans class heavy cruiser, USS *San Francisco* (CA 38), was commissioned on 10 February, 1934, under the command of Captain Royal Eason Ingersoll, USN. During World War II the ship was assigned to the Asiatic-Pacific Theater and received seventeen battle stars and a Presidential Unit Citation. The *San Francisco* saw combat in the following operations: the attack on Pearl Harbor, Guadalcanal landings and defense, the Aleutians Operation, Gilbert Island Operation, Marshall Island Operation, Marianas Operation, Luzon Operation, Iwo Jima Operation, and Okinawa Operation. During the Battle for Guadalcanal the ship received extensive damage resulting in the loss of the captain and the admiral on board. The ship was decommissioned immediately after the war and was sold for scrap in 1959.

Sources:

Ancestry, Library Edition, accessed 16 April 2019
Information in Collection.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection consists three folders of materials of materials pertaining to Vincent Carl D'Andrea and the USS *San Francisco*.

Folder one contains a photocopy of a diary kept by Vincent Carl D'Andrea while serving on the USS *San Francisco* during World War II, March, 1944-January, 1946. Also included are names of crew members, maps, commanding officers.

Folder two consists of an annotated transcribed copy of the diary by Wayne L. Sanford entitled: "Life Aboard the USS *San Francisco* During the Final Year of World War II, (2019).

The third folder contains additional historical background material was supplied by Wayne L. Sanford including "List of Ships in D'Andrea Diary," (2017), "World War II Military Nautical Terms, (2017), 1945 South Pacific campaign summary map, and three drawing views of the USS *San Francisco*.

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