Sidney and Elsie Northam papers
.5 linear feet; 1 half-manuscript box, 35 objects
1941-2013, bulk 1995-2005

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Accession Number: 2013.088
Creator: Sidney and Elsie Northam
Acquisition: The Sidney and Elsie Northam papers were donated to the Nabb Research Center by Ann Northam, December 2013.
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Related Materials: Walter T. Mason family papers, 2012.049
Separated Materials: Library materials have been cataloged and housed with the Nabb Research Center’s non-circulating or rare book collections.
Artifacts have been cataloged and housed in object storage at Blackwell Library.
Biographical History: Sidney O. Northam, Jr. (1920-2000) was born in Salisbury, Maryland and raised in Snow Hill, Maryland. While serving as a member of the United States Army Signal Corps, he met Elise Mae Gunnorson (1926-2013) in Washington State; they married on January 1, 1946. The Northam’s made their home in Snow Hill, Maryland where Sidney was employed by Delmarva Power and Elsie was employed by Worcester County Library. They had two children, Ann and Jerry.

Citation: Obituary, Elsie Mae Northam,  
http://www.burbagefuneralhome.com/fh/obituaries/obituary.cfm?o_id=2242222&fh_id=14208

Obituary, Sidney O. Northam, Jr.  
http://files.usgwarchives.net/pa/huntingdon/obits/may2000obits.txt

Scope and Content Note: The papers of Sidney and Elsie Northam document their life in Snow Hill, Worcester County, Maryland from 1941-2013 with the bulk of the material dating from 1995-2005. Materials include correspondence between Sidney and Elsie from a 1958 trip to Washington State, Elsie’s daily journal entries with regard to her life as well as the weather and the Northam News, which Elsie wrote to keep friends and family informed on their activities. Also included are photographs, a family tree and print images of Snow Hill.

Arrangement Statement: Folders are listed by their location in each box; any given subject may be dispersed throughout the entirety of the collection.
Subject Terms:

General Terms
Agricultural Tools
Northam Family
Snow Hill, Md.

Corporate Names
Juniata College

Personal Names
Bortz, Peggy
Bross, James
Mulligan, Tom
Northam, Ann
Northam, Elsie
Northam, Jerry
Northam, Sidney
Box 1

1. Correspondence, From Sidney Northam to Elsie Northam and children, 1958 June – July
2. Correspondence, From Friends and Family to Elsie Northam, 1958 June – July
3. Correspondence, From James Bross to Peggy Bortz, re: Sidney Northam on Pearl Harbor Day, 2001 May 28
7. Article, Bird Watching by Golf Cart, undated
11. Insignia, Maryland State Ambassador, circa 1987-1995
12. Ephemera, Juniata College, Sports Hall of Fame, 1995
13. Prints, Snow Hill, Tom Mulligan, 1980s
14. Bumper Sticker, Snow Hill, Md., undated

Library Materials

1. Assateague…the Place Across: a Saga of Assateague Island, Reginald V. Truitt, 1971
2. History and Genealogy of the Byrd Family, Cowell P. Byrd, 1908
3. Truth in Poem, Horatio Burton Gibbons, 1940s

Artifacts

1. Scorp, Woodworking, 2013.088.001
3. Saddle, Decoration, 2013.088.003
4. Tool, Fork, 2013.088.004
5. Tool, Shears, 2013.088.005
7. Chisel, 2013.088.007
8. Appliance, Handles, 2013.088.008
9. Scale, 2013.088.009
10. Tool, Multi-tool, 2013.088.010
12. Wrench, Vlchek Hub, 2013.088.012
14. Hatchet, Icepick, 2013.088.014
15. Wrench, 2013.088.015
16. Wrench, S-type, 2013.088.016
17. Wrench, Wagon Wheel, 2013.088.017
18. Wrench, Ford, 2013.088.018
20. Wrench, Box-end, 2013.088.020
21. Wrench, Stamped, 2013.088.021
22. Wrench, Ratchet, 2013.088.022
23. Wrench, Stamped, 2013.088.023
24. Wrench, Stamped, 2013.088.024
25. Wrench, Farm, 2013.088.025
26. Wrench, Alligator, 2013.088.026
27. Wrench, Double Ended, 2013.088.027
29. Wrench, Implement, 2013.088.029
30. Wrench, Implement, 2013.088.030
31. Ashtray, 2013.088.031
32. Book, Slate, 2013.088.032
33. Tools, Collage, 2013.088.033
34. Mold, Horseshoe, 2013.088.034
35. Horseshoe, Orthopedic, 2013.088.035