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**Freeny Family papers**

0.50 linear feet; 1 half-manuscript box  
1889-1993, bulk 1908-1948

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Salisbury, Maryland

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- Accession Number:** 2011.006
- Creator:** Lula Belle Freeny and Susan "Addie" W. Freeny
- Acquisition:** The Freeny Family papers was donated by Sue Ellen Robinson on June 21, 2010.
- Language:** Material entirely in English.
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- Related Materials:** Ellett A. Lewis Scrapbook collection, 2005.078  
Wicomico County Board of Education records, 2010.003

**Biographical History:** The Freeny Family resided in Hebron, Wicomico County, Maryland during a majority of the twentieth century. Lula Belle Freeny (1901-1991) was the first child of Earnest Freeny (1868-1951) and Susan “Addie” White Freeny (1868- 1953), as well as niece of World War I veteran Munsey White (1886-1945). After Lula Belle completed her primary schooling, she would go on to Western College of Maryland, where she would receive her teaching certification in 1920. She then would marry Louis Brumbley in 1924, and move her family to Quantico, Maryland. Lula and Louis would go on to have five children: Martha, Thelma, Mary Jane, Ralph, and William. Throughout her life Lula was a longstanding member of the United Zion Methodist Church, the Mor-Zion Homemakers, and the Wicomico Happy Timers.

**Scope and Content Note:** The Freeny family papers document the life of Lula Belle Freeny and the life accomplishments of her many family members and friends including Susan “Addie” Freeny, Munsey White, and Bessie Luffman in Hebron, Wicomico County, Maryland, 1889-1993 with the bulk of the material dating from 1908-1948. Personal and professional activities of their lives are documented through a series correspondences, military documents, education materials, photographs, and various other booklets that the family had acquired over the years.

**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**

Education  
Freeny Family  
Military  
Postcards  
World War I  
World War II

**Personal Names:**

Brumbley, Louis  
Brumbley, Martha  
Donaway, Gertrude  
Freeny, Earnest  
Freeny, Fred  
Freeny, Lula Belle  
Freeny, Susan "Addie"  
Luffman, Bessie  
White, Munsey  
White, Noah

## Box 1

1. Postcards, Freeny Family, 1908-1948
2. Postcards, Freeny Family, 1908-1948
3. Postcard and Stamp Booklets, circa 1930-1960
4. Autograph Booklet with Metal Token, Susan White Freeny, circa 1900
5. Correspondence, Noah White, J.E. Williams, 1889 May 3
6. Booklet, Western College of Maryland Student Handbook, 1916
7. Perfect Attendance Certificates, Lula Belle Freeny, 1907-1908
8. Summer School Certificates, Lula Belle Freeny, 1920-1922
9. Report Cards, Lula Belle Freeny and Martha Townsend, 1913-1943
10. Teaching Certificate, Lula Belle Freeny, Department of Education, 1920 August 1
11. Programs, "Sermon to the Graduates" and "Graduate Exercises," Wicomico High School, 1943 May 12
12. Photographs, Wicomico High School Class of 1943, 50<sup>th</sup> reunion, 1943, 1993
13. Booklet, "Gospel of Mark and its Message for Today," Army/Navy Edition, 1917
14. Application for Adjusted Compensation, Munsey White, circa 1920
15. Military Letter Awarding Adjusted Service Certificate, Munsey White, 1925 January 1
16. Military Notice to Appear for Physical Examination, Munsey White, 1918 April 24
17. Military Notice to Appear to Local Board for Military Duty, Munsey White, 1918 May 18
18. Military Registration Certificate, Munsey White, 1917 June 5
19. War Ration Booklets, Gertrude Donaway, 1942-1943
20. War Ration Booklets, Bessie Luffman, 1943
21. War Bond Certificate, Martha Brumbley, 1941-1945
22. Currency, Half German Mark and 5 Francs, 1944
23. Booklet, "Constitution and By-Laws, Together with the Constitutional By-Laws," State Council of Maryland, 1914
24. Booklet, "General Motor Vehicle Law," 1920 June 1
25. Booklet, "Practical Methods of Repairing Ford Cars: The Radiator, 1919
26. Steam Engineers' License, Fred A. Freeny, State of New Jersey, 1931 April 29
27. Advertisement, Payroll Savings and Fountain Pen, circa 1940
28. Newspaper Clipping, "Concerned Citizens Clean Up County," *The Sunday Times*, 1970 April 19