Collection # SC-00057

Collection Guide Virginia Parson Martin Collection

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Volume of Collection: 1 folders in 1 box

Collection dates: 1930 - 2007

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Biographical/Historical Sketch

My Life In Avon School 1930 - 1954 is an unpublished memoir of Virginia Parsons Martin about her education in the Avon schools from 1st grade to 12th grade, her training at Central Normal College in Danville, IN and her teaching career at the Avon Community School Corporation from 1945 to 1954. Virginia left her teaching position when she married.

Virginia was born June 22, 1924 in Avon to Lovell Hoyt (1890-1976) and Marie Pauline (Hayden) Parsons (1903-1983). Virginia graduated from Avon High School on May 29, 1942. Two weeks later she began the summer term at Central Normal College in Danville, IN on a scholarship from the County Superintendent and by working, scrimping and pure luck. She graduated June 8, 1945.

Virginia began teaching 3rd grade at Avon school in fall of 1945 and continued until spring of 1954. She married Howard Scott Martin Jr. at 2:00 on July 24, 1954 at her parent's home and moved to Dana, IN where Howard had purchased a farm. They made their life there and had two children Linda and Scott. Howard died December 23, 2013.

Virginia continued contact with associates and students over the years attending class reunions and the annual Avon Alumni Banquet and preserved mementos in this collection.

This collection is a photocopy of her original work.

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Folder 1	Diary with photos of her classes grades 1 - 12
Folder 1	Photographs of her 40th class reunion
Folder1	Diary with photos of her college classes at Central Normal College in Danville, IN
Folder 1	Diary and photos of her 3rd grade classes 1945 - 1954
Folder 1	Avon Alumni Banquet programs 2003, 2005, 2006, 2007
Folder 1	Story and photographs of Parsons reunion with Ronald and Danny Parsons who Virginia had taught.
Folder 1	Newspaper clippings of Arthur Feeney Davis, Mae Loy
Folder 1	Photographs of her 60th class reunion

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Folder 1 Obituaries throughout the document of

Dorothy P. Thomas McClain

Robert Morris Price Maxine Mary Fox Price

Marcy Bloomer Alan E McDonald Glendora "Betty" Kirk Myrtle Mae Comer Loy

Edith B. Lawson John H. Price

Chester E Francis

Dr. Victor "Eric" Isaacs Mary Roselyn Tharp Charlotte E Muncy Fay Ann Hammond

Larry E Webb Shirley J Hayes

Eleanor Jane Foudray Gray

Frank Allen Price

Ancel Eugene Williams

Wendell R Gibbs

Carolyn A Bottema Adrian Jane M Selch Goodson

Mary L McClain

Adrian "Ade" Mcclain

Dr. Harry E Blair

Marie M Holmes Blair

Owen L McDonald

Katherine F Hannon