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Collection Information

Abstract : Collection includes materials relating to the World War II service of Edward Lapinsky of Leceister, MA. Items include a letter Mr. Lapinsky wrote to his mother on December 6, 1941, one day before the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor. Also included is a damage report of lost property as a result of the attack and newspapers articles covering attack.

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Military records. aat
Clippings. aat

Historical/Biographical Notes

Edward Lapinsky of Leicester, MA enlisted in April 1940 and soon shipped out on the USS Downes that was stationed at Pearl Harbor. During his five years in the Navy, Mr. Lapinsky served in the Fiji Islands, Midway Islands and Guadalcanal before returning to the States to serve as a Naval Instructor, Training Unit, at Lambert Field, St. Louis Missouri.

Scope and Content

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Series Descriptions

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Series 1, Letters

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	1	1992.41.1.1&1a	Edward Lapinsky, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii to mother Annie Lapinsky, Worcester, MA; December 6, 1941 with envelope.
1	1	1992.41.1.2	Edward Lapinsky, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii postcard to Mom and family, Worcester, MA. undated with twenty cent stamp.
1	1	1992.41.1.3	James Forrestal, Secretary of the Navy to Edward Lapinsky, Worcester, MA; October 19, 1945.

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Series 2, Reports

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	2	1992.41.2.1	Report of physical examination of Edward Lapinsky, Worcester, MA dated May 3, 1941
1	2	1992.41.2.2	Report of personal items damaged items as a result of attack on Pearl Harbor.

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Series 3, Miscellaneous

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1	3	1992.41.3.1	List of Pearl Harbor Survivors in Massachusetts
1	3	1992.41.3.2	Telegram photograph from paper of Destroyers Downes and Cassin at Pearl Harbor.
1	3	1992.41.3.3	Telegram photograph of damaged destroyers at Pearl Harbor.