

Irene Bouchard oral histories and songs with the Michaud family

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Finding Aid

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SUMMARY INFORMATION

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Physical Characteristics/Condition: 1 C-120 audio tape containing tape-recorded songs and stories from family members and written materials: song lyric ("Liche Lard" by Eugene Michaud), description of square dancing and poem ("Square Dancing and What it Did to Me" by Irma Landry), and information on genealogy and family history.

Access: There are no restrictions on this collection

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Biographical information:

Donat Michaud was born on February 14, 1897, the son of Peter and Adelide Michaud. Gertrude Saucier was born on February 11, 1900, the daughter of Peter and Margret Saucier. He worked as a laborer, while she was a teacher; both were residents of Wallagrass. They married on August 9, 1920. Gertrude died on October 12, 1976, in Fort Kent, Maine; Donat died on April 29, 1979, in Fort Kent. Irene Michaud Bouchard is their daughter.

Wallace Bouchard was born October 29, 1919 in Soldier Pond, Maine, the son of Oscar and Cristine Dionne Bouchard. He attended the Madawaska Training School and volunteered for the U.S. Army after the 1942 attack on Pearl Harbor. He married Irene Michaud on July 10, 1946 (Irene was born ca. 1926). Wallace worked at C.C. Labrie for fourteen years before transferring to Pinkham Lumber. He died on June 30, 2007.

Scope and Content Note:

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Order and Arrangement: 1 C-120 audio cassette and written manuscript.