

Steven Vance collection of memorial cards

MCC-00587

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Collection Overview

Creator

Steven Vance

Dates

1917-1986

Extent

36 individual memorial cards across eight protective sleeves.

Provenance

Materials were collected by Steven Vance and donated to the Acadian Archives/Archives acadiennes in fall of 2025.

Language

English
French

Conservation Notes

Memorial cards have been placed in sleeve protectors.

Conditions Governing Access and Use

Restrictions

Access: No restrictions

Physical: No restrictions

Technical: No restrictions

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Collection Description

Historical and Biographical Information

Memorial cards, similar to obituary or prayer cards, are often created by Catholic communities to honor a recently deceased individual. In the Saint John Valley, cards may be printed farther south in Maine and New Hampshire, or north in Quebec. They are distributed to attendees at funerals, wakes, and other gatherings.

Steven Vance is a resident of Aroostook County, Maine, who worked for MSAD 1 (Maine School Administrative District 1) for many years, first as a science teacher at Presque Isle High School, then as a technology coordinator for the district. He retired in 2005 and has also volunteered as a technology and networking coordinator at the Mark and Emily Turner Memorial Library in Presque Isle. There, he worked with a server containing 25,000+ obituary records for individuals from the county. He has also volunteered with the Aroostook Amateur Radio Association.

Scope and Content

This collection contains 36 memorial cards, often featuring the person's name, date of birth, date of death, and photograph alongside a prayer, with religious imagery decorating the back, in French and English spanning the years 1917 to 1986.

Arrangement

Cards are arranged chronologically and indexed alphabetically.

Separated Materials (If Applicable)

Not applicable.

Subject Headings

Memorial cards

Obituaries

Saint John River Valley (Me. and N.B.)

Related Materials

Alice Breton Tourigny song manuscript collection (MCC-00186). Acadian Archives/Archives acadiennes, University of Maine at Fort Kent.

Allen J. Voisine collection of memorial cards (MCC-00588). Acadian Archives/Archives acadiennes, University of Maine at Fort Kent.

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Ernest J. Gendreau obituary card collection (MCC-00459). Acadian Archives/Archives acadiennes, University of Maine at Fort Kent.

Guimond, Léon A., and Allen J. Voisine. *Memorial Cards*. Acadian Archives/Archives acadiennes, 2012.

Louise A. Levasseur obituaries collection (MCC-00408). Acadian Archives/Archives acadiennes, University of Maine at Fort Kent.

Madawaska Historical Society scrapbook collection of memorial cards (MCC-00586). Acadian Archives/Archives acadiennes, University of Maine at Fort Kent.

Marquis, Alphonse Reverend. *Memorial Cards*. Acadian Archives/Archives acadiennes, 199-.

Nadeau, John R. *Memorial Cards*. Acadian Archives/Archives acadiennes, 2013.

Ste Agath Historical Society digital collection. (MCC-00529). Acadian Archives/Archives acadiennes, University of Maine at Fort Kent.

St John Valley Parishes Collection (MCC-00523). Acadian Archives/Archives acadiennes, University of Maine at Fort Kent. Series XIV.

Sister Mary Celine collection of obituaries and memorial cards (MCC-00273). Acadian Archives/Archives acadiennes, University of Maine at Fort Kent.

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Name	Year of Death	Page	Card
Bourgoin, Jeulie	1918	2	5
Devost, Alexandre	1917	1	1
Devost, Max	1968	7	29
Devost, Maxime	1962	5	21
Devost, Michel	1926	3	10
Devost, Patrick	1976	8	34
Devost, Sophie	1986	8	36
Devost, Thomas	1976	7	33
Devot, Alfred	1918	1	3
Devot, Annie	1918	1	2
Jimmo, Herbie	1963	5	22
Lemieux, Sarah	1921	2	7
Lizotte, Suzanne	1918	1	4
Martin, Modeste	1948	4	15
Michaud, Loulia	1965	6	27
Michaud, Victoria L.	1970	7	30

Name	Year of Death	Page	Card
Moreau, Emely	1949	4	16
Moreau, Georgina	1946	4	14
Moreau, Rino	1976	8	35
Moreault, Georges	1924	2	8
Morneault, Madeleine	1939	3	11
Pelletier, Marie-Elise	1921	2	6
Ringuette, Anna	1965	6	26
Thériault, Anna	1943	4	13
Therriault, Denis	1925	3	9
Thériault, Emma	1967	6	28
Thériault, Fred-C. (3 copies)	1959	5	18, 19, 20
Therriault, Maxime (2 copies)	1973	7	31, 32
Therriault, Catherine (3 copies)	1964	6	23, 24, 25
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