

Guide to the Codaire and Morse Family Photographs, 1874-1970, undated

Administrative Information

Title and Dates:

Codaire and Morse Family Photographs, 1874-1970, undated

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Codaire family
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Language:

The materials in this collection are in English.

Extent:

1 box ; 0.33 linear feet

Abstract:

The Codaire and Morse Family Photographs consist primarily of portrait photographs of the Richard and Gertrude (Morse) Codaire family, dating from 1874 to 1970, with the majority of images undated. A folder of family papers is also included.

Access and Use

Acquisition Information and Provenance:

The Codaire and Morse Family Photographs were a gift from Merle Kaderli in 2022.

Processing Information:

This collection was processed by Korrena Cowing in July 2023. The finding aid was written by Korrena Cowing in July 2023. This finding aid follows the standards set forth by *Describing Archives: A Content Standard*.

Access Restrictions:

Available for research.

Location:

The collection is housed at the New Hampshire Historical Society in Concord, New Hampshire.

Physical Characteristics and Technical Requirements:

The materials in this collection are paper based and have no special technical requirements for use.

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Collection Overview

Biographical Information:

Richard Codaire was born in October 1863 to Amable and Marie (Tetreau) Coderre and was baptized the same year at St. Paul, Rouville, Quebec. He moved to Holyoke, MA, on May 15, 1882, and was naturalized as a United States citizen in Holyoke on October 27, 1888.

Richard Codaire first appears in the Manchester, NH, city directory in 1890, boarding at 161 Central Street. He married Gertrude E. (Morse) Robie (1874-1968) on March 1, 1892 in Nashua, NH. This was her second marriage. Gertrude Morse was born on July 5, 1874 to William Webster and Elizabeth (Harmon) Morse in Lowell, MA. She first married Matthew J. Robie [Roby] (circa 1865-1890) on April 22, 1890 in Manchester.

After his marriage records, Richard no longer lists Canada as his place of birth, but rather changes it to Holyoke, MA. Richard and Gertrude had four children: Victor R. [Richard V.] (1893-1900), Ernest Webster (1895-1975), Margaret Corinne (1903-1994), and Charlotte Elizabeth (1907-1973).

Richard spent the rest of his life in Manchester operating a millinery shop. The Manchester city directories list him as a salesperson, clothier, and, as advertised in the 1921 directory, “cloaks and suits.” The Codaire house was at 85 Walnut Street 1896-1897, at 235 Lowell 1898-1900, at 223 Lowell 1901-1910, then back to 85 Walnut 1911-1930. His millinery shop was at 33 Hanover Street from 1896 to 1910, then 30 Bridge Street 1913-1915, 102 Hanover 1917-1921, and 387 Chestnut 1924-1925.

Richard died on February 13, 1930 in Goffstown, NH, at the Hillsborough City Hospital. Gertrude died on October 22, 1968 in Manchester.

Victor R. Codaire was born in January 1893 in Manchester. He died on July 17, 1900 at 7 years old from “disease of the heart” in Manchester. Victor is listed as both “Victor R.” and “Richard V.”

Ernest Webster Codaire was born November 8, 1895 in Manchester. He worked as an insurance adjuster before being drafted into World War I. Ernest married Irene Carter on April 27, 1918 in Hartford, CT, and together they had one daughter, Margery June Codaire (1919-2001). According to his World War II draft card, he lived in Melrose, MA, working at Aetna Casualty Co. in 1942. By the 1950 census, he was divorced. He died on July 22, 1975 in Gloucester, MA.

Margaret Corinne Codaire was born August 2, 1903 in Manchester. She was a school teacher at the time of her first marriage to Philip A. Cleland of Philadelphia, PA, on September 3, 1927 in Manchester. She married second d’Arcy St. Clair Sproul-Bolton (1891-1944), son of Ernest and Susan (Moulton) Bolton of England, on June 17, 1942. She died on August 23, 1994.

Charlotte Elizabeth Codaire was born on January 9, 1907 in Manchester. In the 1930 census she was listed as a public school teacher in Hartford, CT, which continues through the 1950 census where she is listed as an English teacher. She died in 1973.

Collection Scope and Content Note:

The Codaire and Morse Family Photographs consist primarily of portrait photography of the Richard and Gertrude (Morse) Codaire family of Manchester, NH, and her Morse relatives. Dating from 1874 to 1960, with the bulk of images undated, the majority of photographs are individual portraits of family members as infants, children, and adults. A few images cover life events, such as Margaret Codaire’s 1942 wedding to d’Arcy Sproul-Bolton, and Ernest Webster Codaire in his military uniform. Most of the images are identified.

Other materials in this collection include a folder of miscellaneous family papers dating from 1849 to 1970. These papers include wedding invitations, an 1849 marriage certificate for Samuel and Adeline Harmon, a calling card for William Webster Morse, a 1949 oversized diploma for Margaret Codaire from the University of New Hampshire, a newspaper clipping on Webster J. Morse, and an 1874 letter from P. B. to Miss Gertrude Morse inviting her to visit.

Arrangement:

This collection is arranged alphabetically, with family papers at the end.

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Folder 21	Correspondence and papers, 1849-1970, undated

Separated Materials:

The following item was moved to the Broadside Collection – Diplomas due to its size:
Diploma from the University of New Hampshire to Margaret Corinne Codaire, 1949

Subject Terms

People:

Codaire family
Codaire, Charlotte Elizabeth, 1907-1973
Codaire, Ernest Webster, 1895-1975
Codaire, Gertrude, 1874-1968
Codaire, Margaret Corinne, 1903-1994
Codaire, Richard, 1864-1930
Codaire, Victor, 1893-1900
Howe, Helen Mary
Morse family
Morse, Charles Fennimore
Morse, Eliza
Morse, Elizabeth
Morse, Webster J.
Morse, William Moore

Morse, William Webster
Morse, Winfield Brackett
Norris, Genevieve
Olgendam, Sedonia
Thissel, Arthur Chester

Organizations:

University of New Hampshire

Subjects:

Children
Diplomas
Families
Marriage
Portrait photography
Universities and colleges
World War, 1914-1918

Locations:

Manchester, NH

Occupations:

Soldiers

Related Materials

Museum

The museum has many items in their collection from the millinery shop of Richard Codaire, including ironing boards, tools, ribbons, lace, and hat trimmings. These items are under accession number 1992.047. Please see our online catalog for more information.