

**Milligan College Artifacts:
Helen Sutphin Collection
1935-1937**

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INTRODUCTION

Title: Helen Sutphin Collection, 1935 - 1937

Collection Number: 03

Physical Description: 1 box

Creator: Jim Sutphin

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Provenance: The Helen Sutphin Collection was donated to the Milligan College Archives and Special Collections by Jim Sutphin, son of Helen and Eugene Sutphin, on April 9, 2003. On May 5, 2003, Mr. Sutphin donated three more items to this collection.

Access: This collection is open for research.

Processing Information: Ginger Dillon finished processing the collection on June 1, 2005.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Helen Reece (Sudderth) Sutphin was born October 26, 1916 in West Virginia. After graduating from Milligan College in 1937, she was married to Eugene Hubert Sutphin, born May 16, 1916 in Unicoi County, Tennessee. Though he did not graduate from the school, Eugene attended Milligan during the 1939 school year.

Helen Sutphin died October 1, 1992. Eugene Sutphin died on January 18, 2003. They are buried together in the Montezuma Cemetery, Montezuma, North Carolina.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

The Helen Sutphin Collection consists of three yearbooks from 1935 through 1937, a leather-bound commencement announcement, Helen Sudderth's (Sutphin) diploma, and a letter from Mrs. Derthick to Mr. and Mrs. James Sudderth dated April 1937. This collection is in one Series.

SERIES DESCRIPTION

Series I, Milligan College Memorabilia, 1935-1937, Box 1.

The series contains Buffalo Yearbooks from 1935, 1936, and 1937. The yearbooks belonged to Helen Sutphin and some of them contain autographs and messages from her classmates. The series also contains Helen Sutphin's commencement announcement from 1937, which is leather-bound, and her diploma in its leather folder. A letter from Mrs. Perlea Derthick inviting Helen's parents to commencement was found inside the diploma. It has been removed and placed in its own folder. Also in the series is a gold-plated bracelet bearing Milligan's insignia and buffalo mascot.

Each of the paper items has been placed in an acid-free folder. The folders are ordered chronologically within the storage box. The bracelet has been kept in the cloth pouch it was sent in and placed in its own artifact box within the larger box.