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Marian Ray Dunlap

Collection 336

Papers, 1882; 1980-2005

## Champaign County Historical Archives

**Compiled by:** Sherrie Bowser, November 2023

**Creator/Corporate Name:** Marian Ray Dunlap

**Inclusive Dates:** 1882;1980-2005; bulk 2000-2005

**Physical Description:** 1 box, (0.25 linear ft.)

### Provenance:

The Marian Ray Dunlap papers were donated to the Champaign County Historical Archives in September 2018.

### Access:

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### Biographical Note:

Marian Alma Ray Dunlap (August 28, 1919 – October 3, 2017) was born in Champaign County, Illinois, to John Wesley and Lennie Belle (Humphreys) Ray. She graduated from Champaign Central High School (1937) and married Robert Andrew Dunlap on April 16, 1942.

The couple moved to Effingham County, Illinois, where they owned Dunlap Implement Company from 1952-1977. They were also heavily involved in the Effingham County Fair, where Robert Dunlap served as director and president. Marian was a charter member of the Effingham County Genealogical Society, where she researched the Pace, Ray, Havice, and Dunlap families.

She died at 98 and is buried in Woodlawn Cemetery in Effingham County, Illinois.

### Scope and Content Note:

This collection contains Dunlap's genealogical research on her family lineage, including the Lawrence, Thomas, Humphreys, Butcher, and Watkins families. The files include family group sheets, supporting documentation, and family narratives for the descendants of:

- Philip Lawrence, Sr. (1727-1799) and Susannah Funkhouser (1738-1802)
- William Thomas (1765-1828) and Catherine Lawrence (about 1773-)
- James Humphreys, Sr. (1750-1831)
- William M. Butcher (1778-1850) and Christena Hildebrand (d. pre-1850)
- Nathan Watkins (1820-1866) and Eliza Jane Pace (1822-1914)

### Arrangement:

Dunlap's original order was kept.



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## Related Material:

### Books

- *A family history and descendants of Adam Dunlap, Sr. with roots in Blount County, Tennessee* by Marian Ray Dunlap
- *Pioneer certificates issued by Effingham County Genealogical Society* by Marian Ray Dunlap

### Ancestor Charts

- Ancestor Chart 334: Chart for Marian Alma Ray Dunlap
- Ancestor Chart 347A: Chart for Marian Alma Ray Dunlap
- Ancestor Chart 347B: Chart for Robert Andrew Dunlap

## Subject Terms:

Butcher Family  
Dunlap Family  
Humphreys Family  
Lawrence Family  
Ray Family  
Thomas Family  
Watkins Family  
Genealogy

## Name Terms:

Dunlap, Marian Alma Ray  
Dunlap, Robert Andrew

## Container List

### Box 1

Folder 1: William Thomas and Philip Lawrence, Sr., 1993-2005  
Folder 2: William Butcher and Christena Hildebrand, 1882; 2000-2005  
Folder 3: Nathan Watkins, 1980-2005  
Folder 4: James Humphreys, Sr., 1980; 2001-2005