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Biographical / Historical

William Peterkin Upshur was born in 1881 in Richmond, Virginia. He graduated VMI in 1902. He was a Major General in the United States Marine Corps and a Commanding General in the Department of the Pacific during World War II. He died in 1943 in a plane crash near Sitka, Alaska.

Scope and Contents

The William P. Upshur scrapbook collection consists of two inspection trip scrapbooks (dated May 1942 and 1943) titled "The Cruise of the Flying Cow" and "The Coconut Circuit." These document Upshur's visits to various Pacific islands, including Midway, Pearl Harbor, Palmyra Island, and Johnson Island.

Keywords

Virginia Military Institute—Class of 1902
Virginia Military Institute—Alumni—Biography
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Description of Subordinate Components

"The Cruise of the Flying Cow" scrapbook

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"The Coconut Circuit" scrapbook

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World War, 1939-1945—Pacific
Virginia Military Institute—Class of 1902
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