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# Preliminary Inventory to the James V. Mitchell Jr. Alumni Collection 1943-2018



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## **Descriptive Summary**

<b>Identifier</b>	ICU.SPCL.MITCHELLJ
<b>Title</b>	Mitchell, James V., Jr. Alumni Collection
<b>Date</b>	1943-2018
<b>Size</b>	8.1 linear feet (4 boxes; 1 folder)
<b>Repository</b>	Hanna Holborn Gray Special Collections Research Center University of Chicago Library 1100 East 57th Street Chicago, Illinois 60637 U.S.A.
<b>Abstract</b>	This collection contains the letters, medals, and writings of James V. Mitchell, Jr. relating to his time in the US Army during World War II.

## **Information on Use**

### **Access**

This collection is open for research.

### **Citation**

When quoting material from this collection, the preferred citation is: Mitchell, James V., Jr. Alumni Collection, Acc #, Box #, Special Collections Research Center, University of Chicago Library

### **Biographical Note**

This collection contains the letters, medals, and writings of James V. Mitchell, Jr. He completed his Bachelor's in 1948, Master's in 1950, and Doctoral degree in 1953 all at the University of Chicago. During his Bachelor's, he was enlisted in the US Army and fought in France, before being captured as a P.O.W. in the fall of 1944. He went on to receive the Purple Heart Medal, along with numerous other military awards. Upon completing his Doctoral studies, he was a professor of Educational Psychology at Miami University, Purdue University, The University of Texas, and the University of Rochester. In 1965 he began his career in higher education administration, acting as Chairman, Associate Dean, Deans, and Vice President at The University of Rochester, Ball State University, and Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania.

He also worked as the Director and Professor of Educational Psychology at the Buros Institute of Mental Measures as well as Professor of Educational Psychology at The University of Nebraska-Lincoln. He retired in 1992, leaving behind a large body of publications in the field of educational Psychology. This material would be of interest to those interested in first-hand accounts of World War II.

## INVENTORY

### 2021-047

**Box 1**

Correspondence, Feb. 1944

**Box 1**

Correspondence, March 1944 Folder 1

**Box 1**

Correspondence, March 1944 Folder 2

**Box 1**

Correspondence, March 1944 Folder 3

**Box 1**

Correspondence, April 1944 Folder 1

**Box 1**

Correspondence, April 1944 Folder 2

**Box 1**

Correspondence, April 1944 Folder 3

**Box 1**

Correspondence, May 1944 Folder 1

**Box 1**

Correspondence, May 1944 Folder 2

**Box 1**

Correspondence, May 1944 Folder 3

**Box 1**

Correspondence, June 1944 Folder 1

**Box 1**

Correspondence, June 1944 Folder 2

**Box 1**

Correspondence, June 1944 Folder 3

**Box 1**

Correspondence, July 1944 Folder 1

**Box 1**

Correspondence, July 1944 Folder 2

**Box 1**

Correspondence, July 1944 Folder 3

**Box 1**

Correspondence, Aug. 1944 Folder 1

**Box 1**

Correspondence, Aug. 1944 Folder 2

**Box 1**

Correspondence, Aug. 1944 Folder 3

**Box 1**

Correspondence, Sept. 1944 Folder 1

**Box 1**

Correspondence, Sept. 1944 Folder 2

**Box 1**

Correspondence, Sept. 1944 Folder 3  
**Box 1**  
Correspondence, Oct. 1944 Folder 1  
**Box 1**  
Correspondence, Oct. 1944 Folder 2  
**Box 1**  
Correspondence, Nov. 1944, Jan. 1945  
**Box 1**  
Correspondence, May 1945 Folder 1  
**Box 1**  
Correspondence, May 1945 Folder 2  
**Box 1**  
Correspondence, June-August 1945  
**Box 1**  
Correspondence, September 1945 Folder 1  
**Box 1**  
Correspondence, September 1945 Folder 2  
**Box 1**  
Correspondence, October 1945 Folder 1  
**Box 1**  
Correspondence, October 1945 Folder 2  
**Box 1**  
Correspondence, November 1945 Folder 1  
**Box 1**  
Correspondence, November 1945 Folder 2  
**Box 1**  
Poem Written by a Family Friend, c.1940's  
**Box 1**  
High School Essay, 1943  
**Box 1**  
Enlistment papers and stamp, c.1944  
**Box 1**  
Photos, 1944  
**Box 1**  
Correspondence, Newspaper clippings Re: Prisoner of War, c. 1944-1945  
**Box 1**  
Newsletter "Next of Kin." 1945  
**Box 1**  
Correspondence Re: P.O.W. Radio Broadcast, 1945  
**Box 1**  
Curriculum Vitae – James V. Mitchell Jr. c.1990  
**Box 1**  
Personal writings on war experience, c. 2000's  
**Box 1**  
Obituary—James "Jim" V. Mitchell Jr. 2018  
**Box 2**

Golden Gate Bridge Souvenir Handkerchief, n.d.

**Box 2**

Blue Star Banner, c. 1940's

**Box 2**

Gift from Schwester Edith (German Nurse in P.O.W. Camp), 1944

**Box 2**

Military Insignia, c. 1940's

**Box 2**

Identification Bracelet, c. 1944

**Box 2**

New Testament that James V. Mitchell carried, c. 1940's

**Box 3**

Purple Heart Awardee Roster List, 1945

**Box 3**

Newspaper "The Stars and Stripes." 1945

**Box 3**

377th Infantry Regiment, 1945

**Box 4**

Purple Heart Ribbon Lapel Pin, 1945

**Box 4**

American Campaign Medal Ribbon, c. 1940's

**Box 4**

Honorable Discharge Regulation Military Patch, 1945

**Box 4**

Enlisted Branch of Service Collar Device—US, c. 1940's

**Box 4**

Combat Infantryman Medal, c. 1940's

**Box 4**

Good Conduct Medal, c. 1940's

**Box 4**

Enlisted Branch of Service Collar Device—Infantry, c. 1940's

**Box 4**

Purple Heart, Army Good Conduct Medal, and European-African-Middle Eastern Ribbon Trio, c. 1940's

**Box 4**

Purple Heart Medal, 1945

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**Box Folder 1**

U.S. Army discharge papers, 1945