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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	Archives Center, National Museum of American History
<b>Title:</b>	Earl Shaffer Papers
<b>Date:</b>	(bulk 1803 - 2007, undated)
<b>Identifier:</b>	NMAH.AC.0828
<b>Creator:</b>	Shaffer, Earl V., 1918-2002 (Author)
<b>Extent:</b>	16 Cubic feet (50 boxes, 15 map folders)
<b>Language:</b>	Collection text is in English.
<b>Summary:</b>	This collection contains the trail diaries, papers, photographs and slides, and writings of Earl V. Shaffer, the man credited with being the first person to hike the entire Appalachian Trail (AT). His complete trail hikes took place in 1948, 1965, and 1998. He was also a hiking and nature enthusiast and advocate.

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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

The collection was donated to the Archives Center, National Museum of American History, Smithsonian in April 2003 by John Shaffer, Earl V. Shaffer's brother.

### Separated Materials

#### **Materials at the National Museum of American History**

The Division of Culture and the Arts (now Division of Cultural and Community Life) contain the following:

Accession#: 2002.0195

Kodak camera used by Earl Shaffer on his first thru-hike of the Appalachian Trail in 1948 and the flannel shirt, cotton trousers, leather hiking boots, knit cap, and canvas backpack he used for his 1998 hike.

Accession#: 1999.0189

Backpack, boots, pith helmet, head net, poncho, and a cook-set, all used by Earl Shaffer on two of his hikes of the Appalachian Trail, 1948 and 1965.

### Available Formats

Select diaries in Series 3 digitized in 2014.

### Processing Information

Processed by Franklin A. Robinson, Jr., April 2005.

### Preferred Citation

Earl Shaffer Papers, Archives Center, National Museum of American History

## Restrictions

Collection is open for research. Use reference copies of diaries.

## Conditions Governing Use

Copyrights to all donated materials, both printed and photographic, are retained exclusively by the Earl Shaffer Foundation.

## Accruals

Addenda were donated by John Shaffer in 2004 and 2003; Earl Shaffer Foundation in 2007, 2008, 2009, and 2012; and David Shaffer in 2014.

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## Biographical / Historical

Earl Victor Shaffer (1918-2002) is credited as the first person to hike the entire Appalachian Trail (AT) from Georgia to Maine. Shaffer was born on November 8th, 1918 in York, Pennsylvania to Daniel and Frances Gallagher Shaffer. One of his most influential childhood friends was Walter Winemiller. Shaffer termed Winemiller, ". . . the most capable outdoorsman I had ever known." They grew up together in and around York. When WWII broke out Shaffer joined the Army and Winemiller joined the Marines. Shaffer served in the Army Signal Corps from April 15, 1941 to September 17, 1945. Three years and three months of his service was in the Pacific Theatre based in Hawaii but for a good amount of time on detached service on various outposts and combat islands. Winemiller died in the assault on Iwo Jima and Shaffer's decision to hike the AT in 1948 was in his own words a testament to his friend and ". . . to eradicate as much as possible the lingering effects of that wartime service in the tropics." He wrote that when he was in the army the three books he had with him were the Bible, an Oxford English Dictionary and a volume of Rudyard Kipling's poems. It was during his time in the army that his love of writing poetry manifested itself.

Shaffer hiked the entire AT for the first time in 1948 traveling south to north. This trek is detailed in his book *Walking With Spring*. For the rest of his life Shaffer was a trail enthusiast and participated in local and national hiking clubs and events. In 1951 Shaffer was named corresponding secretary for the Appalachian Trail Conference (ATC). Shaffer hiked the AT north to south in 1965. Shaffer lived his entire life in and around York, Pennsylvania. He wanted to purchase property for a permanent home near the Appalachian Trail. This dream almost became a reality in the 1980s when Shaffer purchased a small parcel of land near the trail. With the ramifications of the 1968 National Trails System Act and the land purchasing policies of the National Park Service conflicting with his desires Shaffer sold his land near the trail to the National Park Service and broke ties with the ATC over their handling of the affair.

Shaffer continued writing poetry throughout his life. He wrote prose almost always centered on his experiences in the army or while hiking. He self published *Walking With Spring* in 1981. In 1983, the ATC published the work with Shaffer donating his share of the proceeds to the ATC. In 1998, Shaffer decided to undertake a 50th Anniversary hike commemorating his 1948 hike of the entire AT. He was seventy-nine years old. He completed the hike in October 1998 and gained much national notoriety for it. Shaffer was a carpenter and beekeeper. He also refinished and repaired furniture. Shaffer never married but maintained ties to a large, extended, and supportive family. Shaffer's health gradually deteriorated after his last AT hike and he died on May 5, 2002. The Earl Shaffer Foundation was founded in his honor and is based in York, Pennsylvania.

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## Scope and Contents

The collection contains correspondence, trail diaries (including those from Shaffer's 1948, 1965 and 1998 hikes of the Appalachian Trail), maps and trail guides, writings (most notably drafts of *Walking With Spring*), galley proofs from his final book *Calling Me Back to the Hills*, and printed material from hiking and environmental organizations. The collection contains items relating to Shaffer's early life and education, such as diplomas, a baptismal certificate, papers from his years in elementary school, and materials relating to his Army service. One extremely important

item found in Series 5 is an article by Benton MacKaye (founder of the AT) that is inscribed to Earl from the author. The bulk of the collection spans the years 1903-2002. There is one item from 1803 (a land deed) and one item each, compact discs, from 2004 and 2007. The collection is divided into five series. Addendums were donated in 2004, 2007, 2008, and 2012 consisting of additional letters and poetry, and a book of poetry entitled *South of the Sunset*.

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## Arrangement

This collection is divided into five series.

### **Series 1: Biographical information, 1803-2006**

Subseries 1.1: Shaffer Family Papers, 1873-1998

Subseries 1.2: Education, 1918-1980, undated

Subseries 1.3: Army, 1940-1948, undated

Subseries 1.4: Personal Documents, 1803-2006, undated

Subseries 1.5: Correspondence, 1945-2005, undated

### **Series 2: Materials Related to Hiking, 1935-2002**

Subseries 2.1: Trail Notes, Diaries and General Information, 1935-1998, undated

Subseries 2.2: Photographs and Slides, 1940-2001, undated

Subseries 2.3: Maps and Plats, 1936-1998, undated

### **Series 3: Writing and Related Materials, 1910-2007, undated**

### **Series 4: Hiking Associations and Clubs, 1937-2002, undated**

### **Series 5: Collected Publications, 1910-1999, undated**

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## Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

#### Subjects:

- Sports
- Trails

#### Places:

- Appalachian Trail
- Geography -- Maine
- Maryland
- Pennsylvania
- Tennessee
- Virginia
- West Virginia -- Trails and roads

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## Container Listing

### Series 1: Biographical Information, 1803-2006, undated

**Scope and Contents:** This series contains materials relating to the Shaffer family as well as Earl Shaffer. This series is divided into five subseries: Subseries 1.1: Shaffer Family Papers, 1873-1998; Subseries 1.2: Education, 1918-1980; Subseries 1.3: Army, 1940-1948, undated; Subseries 1.4: Personal Documents, 1903-2006, undated and Subseries 1.5: Correspondence, 1945-2005. All series are arranged chronologically.

#### Subseries 1.1: Shaffer Family Papers, 1873-1998, undated

**Scope and Contents:** This subseries contains papers relating to the Shaffer family of York, Pennsylvania. There is minimal correspondence, some farming related documents, recipes and items pertaining to ship building at Hog Island, Pennsylvania and programs from YMCA events. There are religious tracts as well as school documents for some of the Shaffer children. There is one item dated 1873, a diploma for R. S. Seitz.

Box 37, Folder 7	Iron City College, diploma, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, 1873
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Box 1, Folder 1	Family papers, 1903-1936
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Box 1, Folder 2	Family papers, 1944-1974, undated
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Box 1, Folder 3	Correspondence, 1933-1998, undated
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Box 1, Folder 4	Recipes, 1910, undated
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#### Subseries 1.2: Education, 1918-1980

**Scope and Contents:** Subseries B, Education, 1918-1980 contain biographical material and papers relating to Earl Shaffer's school life from grade school through high school. This series contains report cards, school composition notebooks and diplomas. This series contains Shaffer's high school yearbook and a program from the 45th reunion, the one item from 1980.

Box 35, Folder 1	Vital records (baptismal certificates, diplomas), 1918-1935
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Box 1, Folder 5	School papers, 1924-1935, undated
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Box 1, Folder 6	Report cards, 1924-1933
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Box 1, Folder 7	English composition notebook (6th Grade), 1929-1930
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Box 1, Folder 8	Spelling composition notebook (6th Grade), 1929-1930
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Box 1, Folder 9	Junior High School Diploma, 1932
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Box 1, Folder 10	Art composition notebook, undated
Box 1, Folder 11	Health composition notebook, undated
Box 1, Folder 12	History composition notebook, undated
Box 1, Folder 13	Music composition notebook, undated
Box 1, Folder 14	Poetry composition notebook, undated
Box 41, Folder 1	Programs, 1929-1945
Box 41, Folder 2	"The Tatler", school newspaper, 1935
Box 49, Folder 15	"York County Annual Spelling Contest No. 11 1000 Words", 1935
Box 41, Folder 3	45th Reunion William Penn Senior High, York, Pennsylvania, 1980

### Subseries 1.3: Army, 1940-1948, undated

Scope and Contents: This subseries contains military orders, correspondence, and various other materials relating to Shaffer's army life.

Box 1, Folder 15	Papers, 1940-1948, undated
Box 38, Folder 1	Papers, 1943-1945, undated
Box 1, Folder 16	Orders, 1942-1945
Box 41, Folder 4	Correspondence, 1941-1945
Box 1, Folder 17	Correspondence, 1942-1945
Box 1, Folder 18	Newsletters, Ernie Pyle article, 1943-1944, undated
Box 1, Folder 19	Mementos and papers, 1943-1948, undated
Box 1, Folder 20	Church programs, 1944-1945
Box 2, Folder 1	Discharge papers, 1945
Box 2, Folder 2	Veterans papers, 1946-1948
Box 2, Folder 3	Map of New Caledonia, undated
Box 41, Folder 5	German idioms, undated

Language: Germanic languages.

Box 40 [Army photographs, 1940-1948, undated](#)

#### Subseries 1.4: Personal Documents, 1803-2006, undated

Scope and Contents: This subseries contains documents of a personal and business nature. There is a biography and poetry written by Shaffer about and inspired by close friend Walter Winemiller. This series contains Shaffer's tax, medical records, material relating to Shaffer's land purchases and a program from his memorial service in 2002. This series also contains materials relating to the settlement of Shaffer's estate.

Box 2, Folder 4 Business and financial papers, 1942-1997

Box 2, Folder 5 Newspaper and magazine articles, 1946-2000

Box 49, Folder 17 News clippings, 1952-1998, undated

Box 41, Folder 6 News clippings, 1955-2006, undated

Box 2, Folder 6 Publishing and writing, 1954-1955, undated

Box 2, Folder 7 Mailing addresses, 1962-1972, undated

Box 2, Folder 8 Environmental legislation, 1963-1990

Box 2, Folder 9 Medical documents, 1967-2001

Box 2, Folder 10 Dogs incident, legal, 1976-1977

Box 2, Folder 11 Tax documents, 1977-1992, undated

Box 2, Folder 12 Land tract 368-20 South Middleton, Pennsylvania, 1982-1985

Box 2, Folder 13 Lecture and appearance material, 1998, undated

Box 2, Folder 14 Media information for the 1998 AT hike, 1998

Box 2, Folder 15 Awards and certificates, 1999

Box 2, Folder 16 Shaffer, Earl V. memorial service, program, 2002

Box 3, Folder 1 Winemuller, Walter, biography and poetry, undated

Box 3, Folder 2 Nature images, undated

Box 3, Folder 3 Diary, 1948



Box 3, Folder 4	Song list, undated
Box 3, Folder 5	Business cards, undated
Box 40	Business cards Appalachian Trail Conference badge, and driver's license, 1975-1994, undated
Box 37, Folder 8	Peach Glen Meadows, 1984
Box 38, Folder 5	Greb property, settlement sheet, 1980
Box 50, Folder 1	Car accident, 1988-07-30
Box 49, Folder 12	Financial, 1990-1996
Box 41, Folder 7	Financial, 1990-2003, undated
Box 41, Folder 8	Veteran's Administration, health, 1995-2001
Box 37, Folder 1	Deeds, 1803-1980
Box 41, Folder 9	Certificate, 1999
Box 49, Folder 13	Advance Medical Directive, 2002
Box 41, Folder 10	Shaffer, Earl V., obituaries, 2002
Box 41, Folder 11	Shaffer, Earl V. estate documents, 2002-2004, undated
Box 49, Folder 14	Estate and estate sale, 2002
Box 50, Folder 2	Shaffer, John, sympathy cards, letters received, 2002
Box 41, Folder 12	Inventory of auction items, undated
Box 41, Folder 13	Hall of Fame, application, undated
Box 50, Folder 3	"A Token of Your Confirmation", undated

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### Subseries 1.5: Correspondence, 1940-2005, undated

Scope and Contents: This subseries contains correspondence of a personal and business nature, received and written by Shaffer. The bulk of this subseries is undated. There is some correspondence written by other family members.

Box 3, Folder 6	Correspondence, 1940-1949, undated
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Box 49, Folder 9	Correspondence written while in U.S. Army, 1941-1945, undated
Box 49, Folder 8	Correspondence, 1943-1996, undated
Box 49, Folder 10	Letter from Walter E. Winemiller, 1944
Box 42, Folder 1	Correspondence, 1945-2005, undated
Box 6, Folder 2	Correspondence, Appalachian Trail Conference, 1948-2000, undated
Box 42, Folder 2	Correspondence, 1949-2003, undated
Box 3, Folder 7	Correspondence, 1950-1959, undated
Box 3, Folder 8	Correspondence received, Papendick, Martin D., 1951-1954
Box 3, Folder 9	Correspondence, 1960-1969, undated
Box 3, Folder 10	Correspondence, 1970-1979, undated
Box 5, Folder 8	Correspondence written, 1972-1995, undated
Box 4, Folder 1	Correspondence, 1980-1983
Box 37, Folder 2	Oversize Correspondence, 1983-1998, undated
Box 4, Folder 2	Correspondence, 1984-1989
Box 4, Folder 3	Correspondence, 1990-1997
Box 4, Folder 4	Correspondence received, 1998
Box 4, Folder 5	E-mail correspondence, 1998 AT hike, 1998
Box 43, Folder 1	E-mail correspondence, 1998 AT Hike, 1998
Box 49, Folder 11	Westcliffe Publishers, 1999-2002, undated
Box 5, Folder 1	Correspondence received, 1999
Box 5, Folder 2	Correspondence "Along the Appalachian Trail", 1999-2000
Box 5, Folder 3	Correspondence received, 2000
Box 5, Folder 4	Correspondence received, 2001
Box 5, Folder 5	Correspondence, 2002

Box 5, Folder 6	Correspondence, 2002
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Box 5, Folder 7	Correspondence, 2002
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Box 6, Folder 1	Correspondence, undated
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Box 38, Folder 6	Correspondence, undated
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### Subseries 6: Photographs and slides, 1942-2002, undated

Scope and Contents: This subseries contains a mix of photographs and slides relating to Shaffer's time in the U.S. Army, his hiking, and personal life. Photograph negatives were unidentified and in no apparent groupings. They were processed into archival envelopes in the groups in which they came to the Archives Center.

Box 34, Folder 8	Photographs, various subjects, 1981-2001, undated
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Box 46	Photographs, various subjects, 1998-2002, undated
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Binder 47, Folder 1	Photographic negatives, unidentified subjects, undated
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Binder 47, Folder 2	Photographic negatives, unidentified subjects, undated
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Binder 47, Folder 3	Photographic negatives, unidentified subjects, undated
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Binder 47, Folder 4	Photographic negatives, unidentified subjects, undated
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Binder 47, Folder 5	Photographic negatives, unidentified subjects, undated
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Binder 47, Folder 6	Photographic negatives, unidentified subjects, undated
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Binder 47, Folder 7	Photographic negatives, unidentified subjects, undated
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Binder 47	California, photographs, 1942
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Binder 47	Photographs, Earl Shaffer and others, 1998 thru hike, 1976-1998, undated
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Binder 47	Photographic slides, 1977-1987
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Binder 47	Photographs and letter by Brent Anslinger to John Shaffer, 1998
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## Series 2: Materials Related to Hiking, 1935-2002, undated

## Subseries 2.1: Trail Notes Diaries and General Information, 1935-1998, undated

Scope and Contents: This subseries is arranged with Shaffer's trail diaries in chronological order, state informational files are arranged alphabetically and contain general information about the state and occasionally about trails located in the state. The diaries found in this series are reference copies of the original diaries. The original diaries remain intact and can be found in box 39 but due to preservation concerns they are not available for research.

Box 6, Folder 3; [Appalachian Trail hike diary], 1948  
Box 39 1 Item (5.5" x 4.0".)  
[Image\(s\): Trail diary](#)  
[Digital Content](#)  
Author: Shaffer, Earl V., 1918-2002  
Language: English.  
Notes: Ink on paper.  
In Box 39.  
Trail diary written Shaffer during the first hike to cover the entire length of the Appalachian Trail.  
Topic: Hiking  
Trails  
Place: Appalachian Trail  
Genre/Form: Diaries -- 20th century

Box 6, Folder 4 Slide identification (AT hike), 1948

Box 6, Folder 5 AT hike, reference notes, 1948

Box 44 Lecture Slides, AT hike, 1948

Box 6, Folder 6 "The Long Cruise" (typescript notes), 1949

Box 6, Folder 7 AT trail hike Boy Scouts of America Troop #94, 1959

Box 6, Folder 8; [Cascade Crest Trail hike diary], 1963 24 June

Box 39 1 Item (4.7" x 6.6".)

[Image\(s\): Cascade Crest, trail diary](#)

Author: Shaffer, Earl V., 1918-2002

Language: English.

Notes: Ink on paper.

In Box 39.

Yellow covered trail diary written by Shaffer on hike of the Cascade Crest Trail.

Topic: Hiking

Trails

Place: Appalachian Trail

Genre/Form: Diaries -- 20th century

Box 6, Folder 9	Tennessee hike, trail diary (reference copy), 1964
Box 39	<p>[Appalachian Trail hike diary], 1964 1 Item (4.2" x 6.1".)</p> <p>Author: Shaffer, Earl V., 1918-2002 Language: English. Notes: AC0828-0000032 Ink on paper. In Box 39. 1964 trail diary written by Shaffer on hike of the Appalachian Trail.</p> <p>Topic: Hiking Trails</p> <p>Place: Appalachian Trail Genre/Form: Diaries -- 20th century</p>
Box 6, Folder 10; Box 39	<p>[Appalachian Trail hike diary], 1965 1 Item (4.7" x 6.7".)</p> <p><a href="#">Image(s): AT hike, trail diary</a></p> <p>Author: Shaffer, Earl V., 1918-2002 Language: English. Notes: Ink on paper. In Box 39. 1965 trail diary written by Shaffer on hike of the Appalachian Trail.</p> <p>Topic: Hiking Trails</p> <p>Place: Appalachian Trail Genre/Form: Diaries -- 20th century</p>
Box 6, Folder 11	ATC conference trip, diary, 1975
Box 6, Folder 12	Pinchot Trail data, 1981, undated
Box 6, Folder 13	Other hikers, 1985-1998
Box 6, Folder 14; Box 39	<p>The Long Cruise, 50th Anniversary AT hike, trail diary, book 1 [Appalachian Trail hike diary], 1998 1 Item (8.8" x 7.1".)</p> <p><a href="#">Image(s): The Long Cruise, 50th Anniversary AT hike, trail diary, book 1</a></p> <p>Author: Shaffer, Earl V., 1918-2002 Language: English. Notes: Ink on paper. In Box 39. Trail diary written Shaffer during 1998 hike of the Appalachian Trail.</p> <p>Topic: Hiking Trails</p> <p>Place: Appalachian Trail Genre/Form: Diaries -- 20th century</p>

Box 6, Folder 15;           The Long Cruise, 50th Anniversary AT hike, trail diary, book 2, 1998  
Box 39

Box 6, Folder 16;           The Long Cruise, 50th Anniversary AT hike, trail diary, book 3 [50th Anniversary  
Box 39                       Trail Diary], 1998  
1 Item (5.4" x 7.0".)  
[Image\(s\): The Long Cruise, 50th Anniversary AT hike, trail diary, book 3](#)  
Author:           Shaffer, Earl V., 1918-2002  
Language:       English.  
Notes:           Ink on paper.  
                      In Box 39.  
                      Diary of 50th anniversary Applachian Trail hike by Earl Shaffer.  
Topic:           Hiking  
Genre/Form:     Diaries -- 20th century

Box 6, Folder 17;           The Long Cruise, 50th Anniversary AT hike, trail diary, book 4 [Appalachian Trail  
Box 39                       hike diary], 1998 , undated  
1 Item (4.6" x 6.5".)  
[Image\(s\): The Long Cruise, 50th Anniversary AT hike, trail diary, book 4](#)  
Author:           Shaffer, Earl V., 1918-2002  
Language:       English.  
Notes:           Ink on paper.  
                      In Box 39.  
                      Light blue covered trail diary written by Shaffer on hike of the  
                      Appalachian Trail.  
Topic:           Hiking  
                      Trails  
Place:           Appalachian Trail  
Genre/Form:     Diaries -- 20th century

Box 50, Folder 7-8           1998 thru hike, writings and materials, 1998

Box 6, Folder 18            [Appalachian Trail hike diary], undated  
1 Item (4.9" x 6.7".)  
[Image\(s\): Trail diary](#)  
Author:           Shaffer, Earl V., 1918-2002  
Language:       English.  
Notes:           Ink on paper.  
                      In Box 39.  
                      Trail diary written Shaffer during the 50th anniversary hike to cover  
                      the entire length of the Appalachian Trail.  
Topic:           Hiking  
                      Trails  
Place:           Appalachian Trail  
Genre/Form:     Diaries -- 20th century

Box 7, Folder 1            The Long Cruise, 50th Anniversary AT hike, 1998

Box 7, Folder 2	Tour guides and brochures, 1939-1971, undated
Box 7, Folder 3	Supply and outfitters, 1940-1985
Box 7, Folder 4	Native American, 1957, undated
Box 7, Folder 5; Box 39	Trail diary, undated
Box 7, Folder 6; Box 39	Trail diary, undated
Box 7, Folder 7	Trail notes, undated
Box 7, Folder 8	Trail recommendations Cumberland Valley, undated
Box 7, Folder 9	Trail guides, Northeast, undated
Box 7, Folder 10	Hiking supply lists
Box 7, Folder 11	Maine, 1992-1998, undated
Box 7, Folder 12	Maryland, undated
Box 7, Folder 13	New Jersey, undated
Box 7, Folder 14	New York, 1943, undated
Box 7, Folder 15	North Carolina, undated
Box 7, Folder 16	Ohio, undated
Box 7, Folder 17	Pennsylvania, 1957-1988, undated
Box 7, Folder 18	Vermont, 1947
Box 7, Folder 19	Virginia, 1935-1949, undated
Box 7, Folder 20	West Virginia, 1982-1984
Box 50, Folder 5	Trail related materials, 1950-1998, undated
Box 38, Folder 7	Hiking materials, 1982, undated
Box 50, Folder 6	Mason Dixon Trail ribbon cutting (ribbon segment and photographic negatives), 1985-10-27

Box 39 Original trail diaries, 1948-1998

Box 42, Folder 3 Switzerland Excursions in the Jungfrau Region, undated

### Subseries 2.2: Photographs and Slides, , 1940-2002, undated, undated

Scope and Contents: This subseries contains the original slides taken by Shaffer on his initial 1948 hike and subsequently used for his lectures. There are also photo prints taken from the slides and photographs sent to Shaffer from correspondents and friends. This subseries is arranged by subject.

Box 34, Folder 1-3 [Appalachian Trail, slides, 1948](#)

Box 34, Folder 4-6 [Appalachian Trail, photographs, 1948, undated](#)

Box 34, Folder 7 50th Anniversary Celebration Pine Grove Furnace State Park, 1937-1987

Box 45 Photographic slides, 1948-1979, undated

Box 46 2009 Addendum, photographs from Mack L. Thorpe, Jr. to John Shaffer, 1986-1998, undated

### Subseries 2.3: Maps and Plats, 1936-1998

Scope and Contents: This subseries is arranged according to geographic location and size. This series contains maps collected by Shaffer, some used in his hiking. Some maps are annotated in Shaffer's hand. This series also contains land plats for various real estate parcels that Shaffer either purchased or had an interest in.

Box 7, Folder 21 Allegheny Trail, undated

Box 7, Folder 22 Appalachian Trail, Ashby Gap, 1935

Box 7, Folder 23 Baxter State Park, 1978

Box 7, Folder 24 Michaux State Forest Mount Alto State Forest, 1941

Box 7, Folder 25 Pacific Crest Trail, undated

Box 7, Folder 26 Pennsylvania, 1947, undated

Map-folder 1 Appalachian National Scenic Trail Plats Segment 368, 1980-1985

Map-folder 2 Illinois, 1976

Map-folder 2 Indiana, 1977



Map-folder 3	Alaska, 1975
Map-folder 3	Washington State, 1961
Map-folder 4	Delaware, Maryland, and Virginia, 1952-1975
Map-folder 4	Shenandoah National Park, 1996-1997
Map-folder 5	Pennsylvania, 1964-1977
Map-folder 6	North Carolina and South Carolina, 1976
Map-folder 7	Benton McKaye, undated
Map-folder 7	Chesapeake Bay, 1957
Map-folder 7	Central United States, 1977
Map-folder 7	Maryland, 1979-1980
Map-folder 7	Missouri, undated
Map-folder 7	National Capital Region, 1956
Map-folder 7	North Carolina, 1942
Map-folder 7	Ohio, undated
Map-folder 8	Maine, 1935; 1979-1993
Map-folder 8	New Hampshire, 1941
Map-folder 8	New York, undated
Map-folder 8	Northeastern United States, 1941
Map-folder 9	Pennsylvania, 1936-1998
Map-folder 10	Pennsylvania, 1956-1974
Map-folder 11	Atlantic Ocean, 1955
Map-folder 11	Canada, 1936
Map-folder 11	Europe, 1943
Map-folder 11	North Africa, 1954

Map-folder 11	Southeast Asia, 1955
Map-folder 11	South America, 1958
Map-folder 11	The World, 1949-1957
Map-folder 11	United States, 1976
Map-folder 12	Pennsylvania, 1947-1969
Map-folder 13	National Parks and National Forests, 1941-1958
Map-folder 14	York York County Pennsylvania, 1947-1958
Box 37, Folder 3	Miscellaneous, Undated
Box 37, Folder 4	Appalachian Trail maps, 1938, undated
Box 37, Folder 5	State forests (multiple states), undated
Box 37, Folder 6	Pennsylvania, 1876, undated
Box 37, Folder 9	Maine, 1935
Box 37, Folder 10	Appalachian Trail maps, 1937-1943
Box 37, Folder 11	National Forest maps, 1939-1962
Box 37, Folder 12	Eastern United States, multiple states, 1950-1955
Box 37, Folder 13	Pennsylvania, 1920-1946, undated
Box 37, Folder 14	Pennsylvania, 1956-1962
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Box 13, Folder 12	ATC, Trail Conference Programs, 1948-1979
Box 13, Folder 13	ATC, "The Appalachian Trail", publication #5, 1948-1950
Box 13, Folder 14	ATC, "Manual of Technique for Appalachian Trail Guidebooks and Amateur Map Making", publication #14, 1948
Box 13, Folder 15	ATC, "Suggestions for Appalachian Trail Users", publication #15, 1949
Box 13, Folder 16	ATC, "The Appalachian Trail", publication #17, 1949-1950
Box 13, Folder 17	ATC, "Trail Manual for the Appalachian Trail", publication # 1, 1951
Box 13, Folder 18	ATC, "The Philosopher's Guide to the Appalachian Trail", 1983
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Box 14, Folder 1-23	ATC, "Appalachian Trailway News", 1948-1977
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Box 42, Folder 12	Natural Bridge Appalachian Trail Club, 2000
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**Scope and Contents:** This series contains a wide variety of publications saved and or collected by Shaffer and/or his family. Perhaps one of the most important of these items is an inscribed copy of the article by Benton MacKaye advocating the creation of the Appalachian Trail. This series also contains copies of National Geographic and other magazines that ran articles about Shaffer focusing on his 1948 and 1998 thru hikes. This series is arranged chronologically.

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Box 31, Folder 17	National Forests in the Southern Appalachians, 1940
Box 31, Folder 18	Camp and Trail, 1942
Box 31, Folder 19	Road to Health, 1942
Box 31, Folder 20	"Outdoor Indiana", 1947
Box 31, Folder 21	Blue Ridge Parkway, 1947
Box 31, Folder 22	Strength and Health, 1948
Box 31, Folder 23	"Skyline Trail from Maine to Georgia", National Geographic, 1949
Box 32, Folder 1	"Chemical and Engineering News", 1951
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Box 32, Folder 3	Hobnail News, 1954, undated
Box 32, Folder 4	The Practice of Silviculture, 1954
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Box 32, Folder 6	The Record, 1957
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Scope and Contents: This series contains Shaffer's writings both prose and poetry. His lifelong passion for writing was inspired by his mother. Of interest are Shaffer's writings covering his army years and his later Appalachian writings. This series is arranged chronologically and topically. This series contains the page proofs for Shaffer's last book, *Calling Me Back to the Hills*. There is one compact disc of songs by Takoma Tedd based on poetry by Shaffer and a compact disc of Shaffer singing, *Trail of the Tropic Moon*. The bulk of this series is undated. The compact discs are the only two items for the years 2004 and 2007.

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