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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	National Air and Space Museum Archives
<b>Title:</b>	Major John Stanley Henderson Collection
<b>Identifier:</b>	NASM.2005.0015
<b>Date:</b>	(bulk 1941-1952)
<b>Extent:</b>	0.95 Cubic feet ((2 boxes))
<b>Creator:</b>	Henderson, John Stanley.
<b>Language:</b>	English .

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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

Bryn Henderson, Gift, 2005

### Preferred Citation

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## Biographical / Historical

Major John Stanley Henderson (?-1952) joined the US Marine Corps in 1941 and served two tours in the World War II Pacific Theater, earning the Distinguished Flying Cross (DFC) and four Air Medals. He served as a dive bomber pilot at Guadalcanal and a transport pilot on Guam. He was on active duty with the Marine Reserves as Executive Officer of the Marine Air Detachment at NAS Olathe, Kansas, at the time of his death at 33, killed while preparing for his departure to Korea.

## Scope and Contents

Included in this collection are photographs of John Stanley Henderson, fellow servicemen, and airfields; diary and notebooks; flight logs; award citations and military orders; newspaper clippings; a map of the Solomon Islands; phrase books in French and Japanese as well as the CBI Pointie Talkie; pocket guides to Egypt and Australia; The Marines Handbook, seventh edition; telegram relating the death of Major Henderson; Certificate of Death in Service; condolence letters; and Power of Attorney and Last Will and Testament.

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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:

- Aeronautics, Military
- Medals -- United States
- World War, 1939-1945 -- Aerial operations

### Types of Materials:

- Awards
- Correspondence
- Newspaper clippings
- Photographic prints
- Publications
- Technical manuals -- 20th century
- Telegrams

### Names:

- United States. Marine Corps