



Caracost Family Wartime Correspondence, 1941-1946

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Macke G. "George" Caracost was a U.S. Naval serviceman from Island Park, L.I., N.Y. During World War II, he did his basic training at the United States Naval Training Station, Great Lakes, Illinois, from mid-March through mid-May 1944. He was then moved to the U.S. Naval Receiving Barracks in Shoemaker, CA, where he was stationed until early June. On June 11, 1944, he arrived at his permanent station, Pearl Harbor, HI, where he served as an aviation machinist's mate. In February 1946, after nearly two years of service at Pearl Harbor, Caracost shipped out to the U.S. Naval Receiving Station at Norfolk, VA. He was discharged from the Navy in April of 1946 at Lido Beach, L.I., N.Y.

The bulk of the collection consists of wartime correspondence (letters, V-mails, postal and greeting cards) to and from Caracost; his sister, Mary; and their parents, Basil and Matilda Caracost, from 1944 through 1945. Correspondents include family members, friends, and fellow servicemen. The collection also includes photographs, news clippings, and general papers.

Box and Folder Listings

Note: Letters to Caracost at Pearl Harbor, HI, were addressed to a Navy FPO (Fleet Post Office) address in San Francisco, CA.

Box 1 Folder

Letters to George Caracost from Frida Calandia

1 1944-1945 (with enclosures)

Letter to George from Basil Caracost

2 c. 1944

Letters to George Caracost from Mary Caracost

3 Mar. 1944-Jan. 1945 (with enclosure)

4 Feb. 1945

5 Mar. 1945

6 Apr. 1945-May 1945 (with enclosures)

Box 1
Folder

- 7 Jun. 1945 (with enclosure)
- 8 Jul. 1945-Aug. 1945 (with enclosures)
- 9 Sep. 1945-Oct. 1945 (with enclosures)
- 10 Nov. 1945-Dec. 1945 (with enclosures)
- 11 Mar. 1946-Apr. 1946 (with enclosures)

Letters to George Caracost from Matilda Caracost

- 12 Mar. 1944-Jan. 1945 (with enclosure)
- 13 Feb. 1945-Mar. 1945 (with enclosure)
- 14 Apr. 1945
- 15 May 1945-Jun. 1945 (with enclosure)
- 16 Jul. 1945-Aug. 1945 (with enclosures)
- 17 Sep. 1945-Oct. 1945 (with enclosure)
- 18 Nov. 1945-Feb. 1946
- 19 Mar. 1946-Apr. 1946 (with enclosures)

Box 2
Folder

Letters to George Caracost from Cleo Carolides

- 1 Oct. 1943-Feb. 1944
- 2 Mar. 1944-May 1944
- 3 Jun. 1944-Dec. 1944
- 4 1945

Letters to George Caracost from Mamie Damone

- 5 Apr. 1944-Feb. 1945 (with enclosure)
- 6 Mar. 1945-Mar. 1946 (with enclosures)

Letters to George Caracost from Kay Dermody

- 7 Nov. 1943-Jun. 1944

Letters to George Caracost from Jeanne Dery

- 8 Oct. 1942-Jun. 1944

Letters to George Caracost from Roberta Drennan

- 9 Mar. 1943-Jun. 1943

Box 2
Folder

Letters to George Caracost from Helen (Yaschuck) Isatsas

- 10 Sept. 1943-Aug. 1944 (with enclosure)
- 11 Sep. 1944-Jan. 1945 (with enclosures)
- 12 Feb. 1945-Dec. 1945 (with enclosures)

Letters to George Caracost from Elaine Lester

- 13 Nov. 1944-Jul. 1945 (with enclosures)

Letters to George Caracost from Senator Francis Maloney

- 14 Jun. 1944-Jul. 1944 (with enclosures)

Letters to George Caracost from Dotty Morris

- 15 Oct. 1944-Aug. 1945 (with enclosure)

Letters to George Caracost from Jane Pray

- 16 Feb. 1943-Jan. 1944
- 17 Jan. 1944-Apr. 1946

Box 3
Folder

Letters to George Caracost from Jean Scully

- 1 Apr. 1944-Mar. 1946 (with enclosures)

Letters to George Caracost from Lovis Stone

- 2 Dec. 1943-Feb. 1945 (with enclosure)

Letters to George Caracost from Ann Wasmuth

- 3 Mar. 1943-Apr. 1946 (with enclosures)

Letters to George Caracost from Ella Wilson

- 4 May 1945-Mar. 1946

Letters to George Caracost from Kathy [last name unknown]

- 5 Apr. 1945-Oct. 1945

Letters to George Caracost from friends in the service

- 6 Jan. 1943-May. 1944 (with enclosure)
- 7 Jun. 1944-Nov. 1944
- 8 Dec. 1944-Feb. 1945
- 9 Mar. 1945-Jul. 1945

Box 3
Folder

10 Aug. 1945-Mar. 1946

Letters to George Caracost from various individuals

11 Sep. 1942-Jan. 1945 (with enclosures)

12 Feb. 1945-Apr. 1946 (includes letter with sailboat illustration)

Letters from George Caracost to Basil and Matilda Caracost

13 Mar. 1944-Apr. 1944 (includes 3 postal cards)

14 May 1944 (with enclosures)

15 Jun. 1944-Jul. 1944

16 Aug. 1944 (with enclosure)

17 Sep. 1944

Box 4
Folder

1 Oct. 1944-Nov. 1944

2 Dec. 1944 (with enclosure)

3 Jan. 1945-Feb. 1945

4 Mar. 1945 (with enclosure)

5 Apr. 1945

6 May 1945-Jun. 1945

7 Jul. 1945-Sep. 1945

8 Oct. 1945

9 Nov. 1945

10 Dec. 1945-Feb. 1946 (with enclosures)

11 Mar. 1946-Apr. 1946

Letters from George Caracost to Mary Caracost

12 Jun. 1944-Aug. 1944

13 Sept. 1944

14 Oct. 1944-Dec. 1944

15 Jan. 1945-Feb. 1945 (with enclosure)

16 Mar. 1945-Apr. 1945

17 May. 1945-Jun. 1945

18 Jul. 1945-Oct. 1945

Box 4
Folder

- 19 Nov. 1945-Apr. 1946
Letter from George Caracost to Lee Martin (Harry Conover Agency)
20 c. Sep. 17, 1944

Box 5
Folder

- Letters to Mary Caracost from Jim Bitetto
1 Oct. 1943-Dec. 1945
Letters to Mary Caracost from Anthony Cira
2 Jul. 1944-Apr. 1945
3 Apr. 1945-Mar. 1946
Letters to Mary Caracost from Frank Corritore
4 Apr. 1943-Oct. 1945
Letters to Mary Caracost from Anthony Coutsoumbis
5 Jan. 1944-Jul. 1945
Letters to Mary Caracost from Constantine Coutsoumbis
6 May 1944-Jan. 1945 (with enclosure)
7 Jan. 1945-Jan. 1946 (with enclosures)
Letters to Mary Caracost from Michael Fasano
8 Jan. 1944-Jun. 1945
Letters to Mary Caracost from Warren Hartling
9 Oct. 1942-Jun. 1945
Letters to Mary Caracost from Gene Henley
10 Jun. 1945-Nov. 1945
Letters to Mary Caracost from Karl Hurtzig
11 Jun. 1944-Jun. 1945 (includes news clippings)
Letters to Mary Caracost from Gus Kazanas
12 Oct. 1941-Aug. 1945
Letters to Mary Caracost from John Kouliiausos
13 Apr. 1943-Aug. 1943
14 Sept. 1943-Feb. 1944

Box 6
Folder

- 1 Mar. 1944-Feb. 1945
 - 2 Mar. 1945-Oct. 1945 (with enclosure)
 - 3 Nov. 1945-Mar. 1946
- Letters to Mary Caracost from Frank McCready
- 4 Nov. 1943-Jun. 1944 (with enclosure)
- Letters to Mary Caracost from Stanly Milligan
- 5 Jul. 1942-Dec. 1942
- Letters to Mary Caracost from Peter Smircich
- 6 Apr. 1943-Feb. 1944
 - 7 Mar. 1944-Jan. 1945 (with enclosures)
 - 8 Mar. 1945-Dec. 1945 (with enclosures)
- Letters to Mary Caracost from Thomas Smircich
- 9 Mar. 1943-May 1944
 - 10 Jun. 1944-Nov. 1945
- Letters to Mary Caracost from Mitchell Sofolarides
- 11 Apr. 1944-Dec. 1945
- Letters to Mary Caracost from John Souran
- 12 Jan. 1944-Jul. 1945
- Letters to Mary Caracost from Joseph Steidl
- 13 Aug. 1944-Mar. 1945

Box 7
Folder

- Letters to Mary Caracost from Artie Treceno
- 1 Jan. 1944-Jun. 1945
- Letters to Mary Caracost from Gregory "Jerry" Xikes
- 2 Feb. 1943-Jan. 1945 (with enclosure – Sampson Naval Training Station newsletter)
- Letters to Mary Caracost from various servicemen
- 3 Mar. 1943-Dec. 1945
- Letter from Mary Caracost to Gregory "Jerry" Xikes
- 4 June 3, 1945

Box 7
Folder

Letters to Basil and Matilda Caracost from various individuals

5 Nov. 1943-Nov. 1945 (with enclosures)

Photographs of George Caracost and fellow servicemen (includes negative of one unidentified individual)

6 1942-1945

General papers

7 1944-1945

News Clippings

8 1944-1945

For additional clippings, *see also*: Wars Collection - Oversize Box #'s 4 & 5.