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Evelyn Monahan and Rosemary Neidel-Greenlee papers, circa 1914-2011

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**Collection Description**

**Biographical Note**
Evelyn Monahan is a retired psychologist who served as a corpsman and psychiatric technician in the Women's Army Corps from 1961-1967. She has a Master's degree in Education and a Ph.D. from Georgia State University, as well as a Master of Divinity degree in theology and ethics from Emory University. She was an employee of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs from 1980-1996. Rosemary Neidel-Greenlee served in the United States Navy Nurse Corps on active duty from 1962-1965 and on reserve duty from 1989-1991. She has a Master's degree in Nursing from Emory University, and was an employee of the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Atlanta from 1981-2002. The two women have written four books together.

**Scope and Content Note**
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As part of their research, Monahan and Neidel-Greenlee sent questionnaires to former servicewomen, asking about their experiences. These questionnaires, as well as a number of letters sent by servicewomen to the authors, offer a unique window into the wartime experiences of women in the military. The collection also contains materials relating to other projects spearheaded by Monahan and Neidel-Greenlee, including an effort to rename the Atlanta, Georgia Veterans Affairs Medical Center for former servicewoman Francis Nash, and efforts to expose sexual harassment in the Department of Veterans Affairs. In addition, the collection contains a small amount of material documenting Monahan's discrimination suit against the
Episcopal Church. Monahan brought the suit against the church in 1979, after she was denied admission to the priesthood because of her sexuality.

**Arrangement Note**

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