

## Bivens Collection

<b>Repository:</b>	Rockingham Co. Historical Collections Gerald B. James Library Rockingham Community College P. O. Box 38 Wentworth, NC 27375
<b>Title:</b>	Bivens Collection
<b>Accession No.:</b>	96-069
<b>Extent:</b>	1 box
<b>Provenance:</b>	Donated by Reidsville Public Library, October 1996
<b>Inclusive Dates:</b>	1938-1996
<b>Subject Headings:</b>	Bivens, Jimmie Douglas, 1938-1996 Bivens, Nina Turner, 1917-1998 Bivens, Percy Quenton, 1920-1972 Reidsville High School
<b>Items Separated:</b>	Reidsville High School yearbooks of Jimmie Douglas Bivens 1953-56 shelved with yearbook collection
<b>Preferred Citation:</b>	<i>Bivens Collection. 96-069. Rockingham Co. Historical Collections, Gerald B. James Library, Rockingham Community College.</i>
<b>Descriptive Note:</b>	The Biven Collection consists of period items of Jimmie Bivens from his years at Reidsville High School, his navy career, and his father's WWII years. It includes annuals, newspaper clippings, a diploma, a football program, scrapbooks of high school items and WWII items, and a class ring. The items were donated by a family member to the Reidsville Public Library who in turn donated them to the Rockingham County Historical Collections in 1996.
<b>Biographical Sketch:</b>	Jimmie Douglas Bivens was born in Burlington, NC on September 17, 1938. He was the only child of Percy Quenton Bivens and Nina Turner Bivens. His father, a truck driver, was born in Lexington, NC in 1920 and died in Reidsville, NC in 1972. His mother, Nina Turner Bivens (1917-1988) was a native of

Rockingham County and was employed as a textile worker and later as a nurse's aide. The family settled in Reidsville about 1947 and for many years resided on Barnes St.

Jimmie "Tim" Bivens attended Reidsville High School and graduated in 1956. He served in the U.S. Navy for 4 years then attended Guilford College and graduated with a degree in accounting. He moved to High Point and worked for Ladd Furniture Industries for 15 years. He never married and died at age 57 in High Point on July 1, 1996.

**Contents:**

One copy *Stars & Stripes*, July 27, 1961

Once copy New York Herald Tribune, European Ed., January 21-22, 1961

6 theater programs, 1959-1960

Reidsville High School Diploma, 1956

2 band uniform tassels and insignia

4 newspaper articles about football games, 1950s

1 Carolina Football official program, 1955

1 Reidsville High School class ring, 1956

One scrapbook, Reidsville High School miscellaneous items

2 scrapbooks, WWII miscellaneous items, 1944

WWII newspaper articles, 1944

U. S. Navy training book, 1957

University of N. C. commencement program, 1957

TV guide, 1956

8 copies U. S. Manual Newsletter

1 1956 Reidsville High School senior play

