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Maiden, Cassandra L., 1952-. Oral History Interview and Collection,
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ABSTRACT:

This collection consists of an audiocassette tape, CD duplicate of the audiocassette, and transcript of an oral history interview conducted between Cassandra L. Maiden and Daardi Sizemore in October 2003. Maiden enlisted as a United States Army WAC during the end of the Vietnam War. She received training as a LPN and served in the medical division. Maiden discusses her training and experiences as a woman in the Army. She also discusses what life was like for a nurse at Fort Riley, Kansas where she served. Maiden served from 1972-1975 and achieved the rank of Specialist 4.

This oral history interview was conducted as part of the South Central Minnesota Veterans History Project conducted by the Southern Minnesota Historical Center at Minnesota State University, Mankato.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE:

Cassandra L. (Craig) Maiden was born in New Castle, Pennsylvania. Maiden enlisted in the Army and was trained as a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN.) After her training she was stationed at Fort Riley, Kansas where she worked in the hospital. While in the service, Maiden met her husband and was married. She served from 1972-1975 and achieved the rank of Specialist 4. After leaving the service, she moved to Albert Lea, Minnesota. Maiden has been active in veterans' organizations including serving as the Commander of the Albert Lea American Legion and organizer for the Women Veterans of Freeborn County. She attended the dedication of the Women Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C.

RESTRICTIONS:

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ACQUISITION:

Cassandra L. Maiden donated this collection on October 7, 2004.

PROCESSED BY:

Julie Dornack transcribed the interview in 2004.

Daardi Sizemore processed this collection in June 2004.
Mee Xiong made additions to the collection March 2017.

RELATED COLLECTIONS:

A copy of this oral history interview is also available from the American Folklife Center at the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C. Information is available on the National Registry of Service website for the national Veterans History Project. (<http://www.loc.gov/folklife/vets/vets-registry.html>) After checking the OCLC and RLG national databases in November 2003, it has been determined that there are no similar manuscript collections about Cassandra Maiden available elsewhere.

LCSH SUBJECT HEADINGS:

Maiden, Cassandra L., 1952-, interviewee.
Maiden, Cassandra L., 1952---Interviews.
Sizemore, Daardi, interviewer.
United States. Army.
United States. Army. Women's Army Corps.
Women veterans.
Veterans.
Veterans History Project.
Oral History.

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Oral History Interview, Audio CD, 2003	DVD	
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McClellan News, 1971 (September) (Copies)	1	3
McClellan News, 1972 (March) (Copies)	1	4
Miscellaneous Items, 1972 (Copies)	1	5
Photograph, 2003	1	6
Women in the Military Flag Program, DVD, 19 February 2001	1	7