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## Harold Gleason Correspondence

Harold Willard Gleason 1895-1975

Mrs. Harold Willard Gleason

Constance C. Gleason

Shirley Thayer 1919-2001

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**HAROLD W. GLEASON ELLSWORTH** — Harold Willard Gleason, 79, died July 26 in Ellsworth. A retired teacher and author, he was born in Dorchester, Mass., July 31, 1895, the son of Clarence Willard Gleason and Ellen F. Gleason. He was a graduate of the Boston Latin School and of Harvard College, where he won the Lloyd McKim Garrison Medal for poetry. He also held the degree of master of arts from Trinity College, Hartford, Conn. Following graduation from Harvard in 1917, he taught for 29 years at Kingswood School, West Hartford, Conn., serving as head of the English department from 1922 to 1946 and as secretary of the faculty. For many years he was a reader in English for the College Entrance Examination Board and for some time, was a reader in freshman English at Trinity College. Mr. Gleason's verse has been published in most of the leading magazines and newspapers since 1915 and has been included in a number of anthologies and English textbooks. In 1919, he married Miss C. Constance Coleman of Roxsbury, Mass. Mr. Gleason was a member of the Harvard Club of Connecticut, Maine Society, Sons of the American Revolution, Classical Association of New England, Lygonia Masonic Lodge, Acadia Chapter, Wolcott Council, Tamerlane Conclave, R.C. of Constantine, and a past commander of Blanquefort

Commandery. He was also a member of the Poetry Society of America and formerly of the Poetry Fellowship of Maine and of the Hartford Poetry Club which he served several years as an officer. For several years, he served as an instructor in verse writing at the Maine Writers Conference. For seven years he was a member of the Ellsworth school board, serving as chairman for two years. He also served one year as chairman of the library board in West Hartford. He was a member since 1948 of the Hancock County Selective Service Board. After his retirement from teaching, he was made head emeritus of the Department of English at Kingswood School, West Hartford. He is survived by his wife, Constance of Ellsworth; a son, Dr. Harold W. Gleason Jr. of Shippensburg, Pa.; a daughter, Mrs. Ellizabeth Humez of Lexington, Mass.; grandchildren, William J. Gleason of Shippensburg, Pa., Nicholas and Alexander Humez of Lexington, Mass. A memorial service will be held Thursday at 2 p.m. at the First Congregational Church in Ellsworth. Interment will be in Mt. Feake Cemetery, Waltham, Mass. Arrangements are by the Jordan Funeral Home, Ellsworth. In lieu of flowers, friends may donate to the First Congregational Church of Ellsworth.



Place of birth: Boston Mass.

Date of birth: July 31, 1895

Home address:

Publications:

Quent's End  
For all Good Fishermen  
Buck ~~Buck~~ Fern and  
other diversions

Died July 26, 1975

Biographical information

Enclosed.

Published in practically every well-known & reputable  
Magazine in America and N. Y. Times, N. Y. Herald Tribune, Wash. St  
Journal Wash. Eve. Star etc & in Ocean and Anthology of  
The Varsity Society of America



GLEASON, HAROLD

INDIAN POINT FARM Box 387  
ELLSWORTH, MAINE 04605

May 5, 1976

Dear Ms. Thayer,

I am sending you under separate  
cover a copy of my husband's last book - QUESTS END  
My husband died in Ellsworth last July after  
several years' of illnesses.

I enclose the information for  
which you asked.

Sincerely yours,

*Constantine Gleason*

(Mrs. Harold Willard Gleason)

