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Elizabeth Lester Poole collection, 1947-2006

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Maine Women Writers Collection

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Summary Information

Repository:	Maine Women Writers Collection
Creator:	Poole, Lizzy
Title:	Elizabeth Lester Poole collection
ID:	0286
ID [aspace_uri]:	/repositories/3/resources/722
Date [inclusive]:	1947-2006
Physical Description:	1 linear foot 23 folders
Language of the Material:	English .

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Elizabeth Lester Poole collection, Maine Women Writers Collection, University of New England, Portland, Maine

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Biographical/Historical Note

Elizabeth Lester Poole (known as Lizzy Poole) was born in Boston, Massachusetts, on March 18, 1934. A partial list of Poole's personal and professional roles include: journalist and photojournalist; elementary school teacher; lobsterman and fisherman; visual artist; women's rights advocate and publisher of the feminist publication *Fish Rapper Digest* (later *Radical Journey*); peace activist; environmental advocate; Master Gardener and active member of various local and state committees as well as a museum board. During her adult life, Poole was very active in local and state organizations and published numerous newspaper and magazine articles and letters to the editor in New England and the southeast.

Bylines that she used over the years include (in chronological order): Betty Lester, Elizabeth Lester, Betty Beane and Lizzy Poole. Moving to Raymond, Maine, during high school, Poole attended Bridgton Academy, the University of Maine, Westbrook Junior College, and Rockport Photography School. In 1957, she married Emery O. Beane, an attorney and Maine State Representative. They had two children, Charles Emery and Nancy Lee. In 1969, the couple

divorced and in 1979, Poole married Herbert Sheldon Poole of York, Maine. Tragedy struck Poole's life when, in 1995, her son Charles Beane, an aerospace engineer and Air Force Captain, died in California. Lizzy Poole died in 2024.

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Collection Scope and Content

This collection includes Poole's CV; correspondence; published photography and writings; published photos and articles; and materials related to her work at Stanley Museum, including posters, brochures, slides, Stanley family interviews, and clippings. MWWC holds copies of a book about Chansonetta Stanley Emmons signed by members of the Stanley family, Lizzy Poole, and author Marius B. Peladeau, and the periodical *Fish Rapper Digest* (later called *Radical Journey*).

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Arrangement

This collection is organized as a single series.

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Related Materials

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Books from the Elizabeth Lester Poole collection

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Controlled Access Headings

- American poetry -- 20th century
- York (Me.)
- Correspondence
- Clippings
- Manuscripts
- Photographs
- Newsletters
- Audiocassettes
- Fish rapper digest
- Poole, Lizzy
- Lester, Elizabeth
- Lester, Betty
- Beane, Betty
- Stanley Museum

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Instances	
Resume biographical information	Box 1	Folder 001
Correspondence re: inclusion in MWWC, 1995 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 001a
Inventory of items donated to MWWC, 2006 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 002
Letters and Articles Related to Serenity House/Place	Box 1	Folder 003
Letters to Businesses, Well-Known People, and Complaints, 1982-2003 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 004
Letters to the Editor Misc. Correspondence, 1992-2004 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 005
Letters to Friends, 1998-2003 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 006
Transcripts of Stanley Interviews	Box 1	Folder 007
Poem Manuscripts	Box 1	Folder 008
"Cabin Fever" MS	Box 1	Folder 009
Poems in The Beaver Log, 1947, 1948 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 010
Poem in The New Chip, 1948 June <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 011
Published poems in Maine Times, Safe Harbor Poetry Retreat and Solares Hill, 1981-2004 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 012
Published Photos and Articles in MOFGA, Church World, Maine Sunday Telegram, York County Coast Star, 1972-1986 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 013
Published photos	Box 1	Folder 014
Published photos in NH Weekly, 1981 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 015
Published articles about LP in Maine Sunday Telegram, Solares Hill, Key West Citizen, Peace Freedom, 1994-2006	Box 1	Folder 016

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Language of the Material: English.

Misc. Stanley Museum literature	Box 1	Folder 017
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Stanley Museum poster; Buckminster Fuller poster	Box OVS 2	Folder 018
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Language of the Material: English.

Stanley Museum newsletters, 1983, 1984, 1991	Box 1	Folder 019
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Language of the Material: English.

Slides - Stanley Family History	Box 1	Folder 020
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Stanley Family Reunion Interview Cassette Tapes Ray Stanley, 1981-1982	Box 2	Folder 021
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Language of the Material: English.

Stanley Family Reunion Interview Cassette Tapes Misc., 1981-1982	Box 2	Folder 022
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Language of the Material: English.