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[Robert M. Woolf Plastic Surgery Case Reports](#)

WOOLF, ROBERT M.

Plastic surgery case reports, 1958-1959.

1 volume (258 pages)

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE: Plastic surgeon. Woolf was born September 12, 1922 in Lethbridge, Alberta, Canada, to DeVoe and Marjorie McCarthy Woolf. He received his medical degree from the University of Utah in 1946 followed by a surgical internship at the University of Iowa. After military service, he did further surgical training at Iowa and Duke University as well as a hand surgery fellowship with J. William Littler in New York City. He was a diplomate of the American Board of Surgery and the American Board of Plastic Surgery. After his training, Woolf spent his entire career in Salt Lake City where he served as president of the Salt Lake Surgical Society, medical staff president of the LDS Hospital, and clinical professor of surgery at the University of Utah. He retired in 1986 and died on April 17, 1995 in Salt Lake City survived by his wife and several children.

Source: Obituary, Journal of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, v. 98, n. 2 (August 1996), p.379.

SCOPE AND CONTENT: Case reports of plastic surgery operations undertaken by Robert M. Woolf and submitted by him to the American Board of Plastic Surgery in 1959 as part of the certification process.

There are 35 cases, 1958-1959, done at the Duke University Medical Center, Durham (N.C.) Veterans Administration Hospital, or the LDS Hospital in Salt Lake City, Utah. Each report is 3-8 pages in length and is illustrated with another 1-2 pages of photographs taken before, after, and sometimes during the operation. The reports document a wide range of plastic operations for conditions including cleft lips and palates, gunshot wounds, facial lacerations, chronic osteomyelitis, rhinoplasties, and burns.

LANGUAGE: English.

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RELATED RECORDS: Archives & Special Collections also holds the [case reports](#) submitted by Bard Cosman in 1962 for certification by the American Board of Plastic Surgery.

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