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Gorman, Thomas A., 1925-

Interview with Thomas A. Gorman / interviewed by  
Helen Dowdeswell. - Valley Stream Historical Society,  
February 23, 1989.

1 cassette.

NOTE: Mr. Gorman tells about early life in Valley  
Stream, including family background, neighbors in the  
Gibson area, sports and recreational activities, his  
career as a New York Yankee, changes in Valley Stream,  
etc.

1. Gorman, Thomas A., 1925- . 2. Valley Stream  
(N.Y.) - History. I. Valley Stream Historical Society.  
II. Dowdeswell, Helen.

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS:

1. Outline of interview - Prepared by Helen Dowdeswell.
2. Photograph of Thomas A. Gorman, taken February 23, 1989. \*

\*Original photograph is filed in the Valley Stream Historical  
Photograph Collection.

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5 Introduction

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15 Family background

26 Move to V.S. in 1925

34 Gibson neighbors- James, Jones, Hoefner, Elderkin, Francis

40 Childhood play

45 Tom Ward at Brooklyn Ave. School

52 Swimming at State Park, baseball at Gibson Oval, football at  
Firemen's Field

65 Going to Central High: Teachers- Jim Evans, Phil Banks, Jim  
Bergen, Chas, Dare, Ken Darling

105 Most memorable football game - 1938 vs Lynbrook

124 V.S. Cubs

126 Activities at Holy Name of Mary

160 Bonfire before Central game  
Searchlights over Curtiss airport

170 To the city for games or for doctors

178 Going to out-of-town games

190 1943- U.S. Navy: 2 years with P.T. squadron in Darwin, Australia

220 1946 discharge - Scouted for Yankees by Jim Bergen

240 World Series 1952, 1953. End career in Kansas in 1961

260 Married to Marilyn Munson of V.S.

275 Move back to V.S. - 1962

295 Other employment

325 Changes in V.S. - Green Acres, building boom, few play areas

345 Tom's children

365 Other changes in V.S.V.C.

380 The beaches - Gaglianos as lifeguards at Pt. Lookout

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Side #2

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10 Coaching for VFW youth

25 Family holidays

36 Storekeeper, Mr. Wankin

45 Gorman boys' jobs

66 Mother's life as homemaker

81 End



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