Wilted Memory

Routines are a series of actions that we conduct based on habit. As my grandfather's Alzheimer's worsens, his habits devolve. Distorted records, played well above appropriate speed. Scratching, cracking, yet Herman remains unbothered. From his perspective, he's still the young man in the photo next to the record player.

I photographed him in his space, where he lines his collection of records and reviews it daily. From the moment he wakes and well into the late hours of the night my grandfather rummages through his past. unaware of his condition.

If told to stop, he reverts to a child. Paralleling the state of the records, he exclaims every time,

"I gotta get these packed up, fo' them guys come and take 'em!".

