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Rosalie Brandstetter

Memorial Service Held For Sister Of Local Resident

A memorial service for former Grapeland resident Rosalie Howard Brandstetter, age 90, of Rosenberg were held Saturday, April 15, at St. Mark Episcopal Church in Rosenberg.

Mrs. Brandstetter was born in Crockett on July 24, 1909, and died in the early hours of April 12, 2000. Her parents were James White Howard and Maude Berry Howard, early day Grapeland residents, who raised Rosalie and her eight brothers and sisters here. She graduated from Stephen F. Austin University and received her master's degree from Trinity University.

A retired teacher, Mrs. Brandstetter taught in Grapeland, Corpus Christi, San Antonio and Rosenberg including the Lamar School District for a total of 25 years. She spent the latter part of her life in Rosenberg where she was active in civic affairs and St. Mark Episcopal Church where she served on the vestry. Mrs. Brandstetter was active in the

Friends of the Library where she gave book reviews and served as president in 1972. She was also a past president of the Woman's Club of Rosenberg.

She was a docent at the Fort Bend Museum and served as president in 1974, and had served as a board member of the Fort Bend Museum Association. She was also a member of the Historical Commission of Fort Bend County.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband. Ward Brandstetter; three sisters, Lucille Howard Rester, Hazel Howard Jones, Dorothy Howard Looker; and a brother, James William "Bill" Howard.

Survivors include her daughter, Ann Dickerson Weiss; her granddaughters. Dr. Cristin (Dickerson) Swope and husband, Stephen Swope, and Catherine "CayCay" (Dickerson) Kight and husband, Richard Kight; great grandchildren. Sterling Swope, William Matthew Shepherd Swope and Charles James Kight; her sisters, Helen Copeland of Clarksville, Ruth Floyd of Honolulu, Hawaii, and Catherine Pridgen of Grapeland; her brother, Clifford Howard of Victoria; numerous nieces. nephews and loyal friends.