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FRIEDA REESE GASKIN

Frieda Reese Gaskin was born in Groveton, Trinity County, Texas on January 12, 1914, the daughter of William Robert Reese and Rose Ellen Holley Reese. She passed away on January 6, 2008; six days shy of her 94th birthday.

She graduated from Groveton High School in 1931 and attended Mary Hardin-Baylor and Sam Houston State University. She then attended Business College in Beaumont, Texas and went to work at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio. She later met her husband Paul H. Gaskin, Sr. who was stationed at Randolph Air Force Base. They married on July 21, 1941.

She worked at Central Power & Light in San Benito, Texas and Corpus Christi, Texas from 1954 until her retirement in 1978.

She was an active member of the Groveton Ex-Students' Association and was instrumental in establishing the Reese Family Scholarship Fund. She was also a member of Fair Haven Methodist Church.

Frieda was preceded in death by her parents; one sister, Thetis Holley Reese; and five brothers, Robert, Owen, Turner, James and William Reese.

She is survived by her brother Earle Bayne Reese of Downey, CA. She is also survived by her husband of 66 and one-half years, Paul H. Gaskin, Sr. and their son, Paul H. Gaskin, Jr., his wife Patricia and their son Michael; her daughter Kathryn Gaskin Raia and her husband Luke; their sons Mark and his wife Glenda and Ben and his fiancée Marianna. She had one great-granddaughter Alexandria.

A memorial service was held at Waltrip Funeral Directors, 1415 Campbell Road, Houston, Texas on Wednesday, January 9, 2008 at 7:00 PM. Graveside services was held at Glenwood Cemetery, Groveton, Texas on Thursday, January 10, 2008 at 1:00 PM.

In lieu of flowers, a donation may be made to Groveton Ex-Students Scholarship Fund, Groveton, Texas 75845, c/o Thelma Terry.