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IN MEMORIUM: Elma Lea Hook

Elma Lea Holladay entered this land of the dying on November 22, 1923 and, after a journey of more than 79 years, entered the realm of the eternally living at 10:10 p.m. of May 25, 2003.

Lea died at home with loving comfort from friends and, in her final struggle, with Mira, Paul, and me communicating our love to the end. She had endured so much suffering in recent years that it is comforting to see her relieved of it.

She was the only and much loved child of Thomas Watson Holladay and Elma Rosie Belle Moye born at Honey Island in the Piney Woods of Southeast Texas. Since our marriage in Beaumont, Texas on October 8, 1945, Lea has been the joy of my life for over 57 years.

She was the nurturing mother of Sol Watson Hook, our son, of Shreveport, Louisiana and of our daughter, Mira Lea Prince, of Beaverton, Oregon.

A memorial service will be planned for later this week at the Westside Church of Christ building in Beaverton. At some later date, we plan to take her ashes to Rochester, Texas to be buried with others of the Hook family. More information will be given later if you indulge me to share my grief with you. The prayers of many individuals and congregations have been in her behalf. Thank you for your supportive concern.

If there were no love, there would be no sorrow in parting.

We loved deeply.