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Ruth Shields Brown Memorial Art Scholarships

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Ruth Rose Shields Brown, 91, longtime Texas County resident passed away on March 10, 2003. The daughter of Sara Rose (Allen) and Louis W. Shields, she was born October 31, 1911 at the Shields' home twelve miles north of Guymon. She attended Guymon schools and graduated from GHS with the Class of 1928.

Ruth was united in marriage to James A. (Bus) Brown on August 20, 1933 in Guymon. The Brown family moved to California in 1936. Mrs. Brown was active in the LaSierra-Venus Chapter 555, Order of Eastern Star, Fresno, CA where she served as Past Worthy Matron and Past Deputy Grand Matron. The Brown's returned to Guymon in 1986 and Mr. Brown passed in 1987.

Mrs. Brown was a member of the Guymon Chapter 419 OES and had been recently honored with a 50-year pin. Mrs. Brown enjoyed stamp and coin collecting, China painting, rock collecting and gardening.

The Ruth Rose Shields Brown estate established these scholarships for OPSU art students in loving memory of Ruth Brown.