

# Mrs. Jeanie Frank, Beloved El Paso Teacher, Dies At 88

Mrs. Jeanie M. Frank, who for 37 years was one of the most beloved teachers in El Paso, died late Monday. She was 88.

Mrs. Frank, who made her home at 1701 N. Kansas St., died in a local hospital.

Born in Ireland of Scottish parents, she was educated in Scotland. She started to school when she was four years old and once recalled, "I can't remember when I couldn't read and I've been a voracious reader ever since."

She received a master's degree from the University of Scotland before she was 18. In 1886 she moved with her family to Kansas City, Mo., where she met and married a young druggist, S. G. Frank. For a time they lived in Chicago, but after his death in 1897 she returned to Kansas City and began her teaching career.

Relatives in Australia wrote her of opportunities there and so she went "down under" where she lived for two years.

She returned to the U. S. in 1903 and picked El Paso for her home because her brother, Malcolm M. Hay, lived here.

Her teaching career in El Paso began in the old Mesa School. She later taught in the old El Paso High School (Bailey), which is now Morehead School, and the present El Paso High School where she headed the English Department for



ON 85th BIRTHDAY.—Mrs. Jeanie Frank is shown in Ruidoso, N. M., when she celebrated her 85th birthday in 1953. She was a teacher in El Paso public schools for 37 years.

many years. She retired in June, 1940.

Her students included members of three generations of one El Paso family. In Kansas City she had Mrs. Thornton Hardie's mother as a student. In El Paso she taught Mrs. Hardie and her son Bill.

Other El Paso students whom

she enjoyed remembering were former Mayor Dan Ponder, Chris P. Fox, Judge R. E. Crawford, Ernest Guinn and Artist-Writer Tom Lea.

Mrs. Frank was a world traveler. She conducted several tours to Europe.

"Although I crossed the Atlantic seven times and the Pacific twice, I always was a terrible sailor." That was the reason she gave for calling off a planned trip to Europe when she was 80 years old.

In her retirement, Mrs. Frank devoted her time to writing, a pastime which interested her throughout her life. Many of her short stories and articles were published in national magazines.

Survivors include one daughter, Mrs. C. H. Teague, with whom she made her home; three grand daughters, Mrs. Roy Chapman and Mrs. William Orme-Johnson, both of El Paso and Mrs. O. W. Boch of Long Island, N. Y. Other survivors include seven great-grandchildren.

Private graveside services will be held at 11:30 a. m. Tuesday in Evergreen Cemetery under the direction of Kaster and Maxon. The Rev. George W. Burroughs will officiate.

The family requested that in lieu of flowers contributions be made to the Cancer Fund or the YMCA Building fund.