

Woman owned lumber company

Viola Howrey, owner of Howrey Lumber Co., died Tuesday (March 25, 1997). She was a longtime El Paso resident and a past assistant district clerk of Reeves County.

He was preceded in death by her husband, E.E. Howrey. Survivors include her daughters, Mary Ann Howrey Skipworth and Norma Howrey Hunt; and her four grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 11:45 a.m. Friday in Coronado Christian Church. Burial will be in Fort Bliss National Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made in her name to the El Paso Rehabilitation Center, 1101 E. Schuster, 79902, or the El Paso Humane Society, 325 Shelter, 79905. Arrangements are by Harding-Orr & McDaniel Funeral Home.

HOWREY

VIOLA HOWREY passed away on March 25, 1997. She was born Viola Rebecca Burkholder in Burlington, Iowa. Her family moved to Barstow, Texas, when she was 2 years old. She grew up in the Barstow-Pecos community and her brothers were successful businessmen and farmers in the Pecos Valley. Many of her relatives still live in Pecos, Texas. She was assistant District Clerk of Reeves County when she met her future husband, Edwin Earl Howrey. They were married on December 24, 1938. They moved to El Paso after Ed's service in the United States Army in World War II. They established the Howrey Lumber Company and manufactured moldings and door and window frames for customers throughout the United States. She worked at the company with her husband until his death in 1973 and continued to work at Howrey Lumber until 1992. From their marriage, they had two daughters, Mary Ann and Norma. Vi was a proud member of the Beta Sigma Phi sorority and always enjoyed the fellowship of her sisters. In her later years, she was a member of the Coronado Christian Church. Vi is preceded in death by her beloved husband, E.E. Howrey and is survived by her daughters, Mary Ann Howrey Skipworth, and Norma Howrey Hunt, and their children who are her grandchildren, Hillary Skipworth, Jeffrey Skipworth, Nicholas Hunt, and James Christopher Hunt all of El Paso. Services are scheduled for Good Friday, March 28, 1997 at the Coronado Christian Church at 11:45 A.M. with Vi's friend and pastor, Dr. James Jauncey presiding. Interment will be at Ft. Bliss National Cemetery at 1:00 P.M. Pallbearers will be Jack Hunt and her sons-in-law Mike Hunt and Robert Skipworth and her grandsons, Nicholas Hunt, James Christopher Hunt, and Jeffrey Skipworth. The family wishes to express special thanks to Dr. Gregory Szevko for his loyalty, kindness and compassion. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that Memorial Contributions be made in Vi's name to the El Paso Rehabilitation Center, 1101 E. Schuster Ave., El Paso, Texas 79902, or to the El Paso Humane Society, 325 Shelter Place, El Paso, Texas 79905.

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