

## Schoolteacher was Morse code expert

Alma Jean Forrest Smith, a schoolteacher and Morse code operator, died Thursday (April 3, 1997). She was the first woman to become proficient in telegraphy and the Morse code. She was 91 and a longtime El Paso resident.

Survivors include her brothers, Hollis Forrest, Stanley S. Forrest and Charles A. Forrest; and her nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be from noon to 9 p.m. today in Martin Funeral Home, Resler. Graveside service will be at 10 a.m. Monday in Fort Bliss National Cemetery.