LUCILLE WOOLF PILLING
1899-1949

My parents were Homer Woolf and Loila Bates Woolf. They came in a covered wagon June 1894. I was born in a small house on Lee’s Creek 16 Dec. 1899, Cardston, Alberta, Canada. I was the 7th child of a family of 8 for 9 years; then another sister came along, making 6 girls and 2 boys.

Homer Jesse  born 4 Oct. 1881, Hyde Park, Utah
Sarah Loila  born 7 Nov. 1883, Hyde Park, Utah
Oirilla  born 21 Nov. 1885, Riverdale, Idaho
Andrew Bates  born 12 Nov. 1890, Riverdale, Idaho
Annie Bates  born 10 Nov. 1894, Cardston, Canada
Attena Bernice  born 20 Dec. 1896, Cardston, Canada
Lucille  born 16 Dec. 1899, Cardston, Canada
Donna  born 15 May 1909, Cardston, Canada

I had great respect for my parents, they were always congenial and happy together. I shall always be grateful for the training we received in our home. Mother insisted on us being ladies at all times and was backed up by Father, though I can never remember when he dealt out punishment.

The memories I have are of us 3 girls growing up together—Annie, Bernice, and Lucille—and of the good times we had on the ranch. Father always took us with him when he went to look at the stock. We picked wild fruit and lots of flowers.

We lived on the ranch in summer and were late moving in the fall. My schooling was delayed until I was 9 years old. Being older than the others, I held first place in my class and skipped some grades, so I was ready for normal school when I was 18.

I loved school and always wanted to be a teacher. I went to normal school in Calgary in 1918 and received my A Certificate; I taught in a small school in the country the first year. Some of the students were my age and the boys were much larger. I taught in Cardston for the next 6 years.

I met and married Valentine Pilling 22 July 1925, in the Logan Temple. We moved down on his farm to live. Our 1st child, Betty Lou, was born 6 Nov. 1926. That fall Val bought a house in town. A baby boy, Kent Woolf, came to us on 2 Nov. 1929.

I worked in many Church organizations; counselor in the stake Primary for years, president of the stake MIA, president of Ward Relief Society, and teaching classes.

Val had a pasture in the foothills of the mountains for his sheep. My sisters would bring their lunch and spend the day: it was beautiful up there in the mountains. Val enlisted and went overseas, so I started teaching again and continued until sickness forced me to quit.

AUTOBIOGRAPHY

NOTE: Lucille passed away 5 April 1949. She left money in trust for her son, Kent, to go on his mission.

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