

By: Cook of Colorado

H.R. No. 1553

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Lee County has lost a valued citizen and historian  
2 with the passing of Ruby Vance of Lexington on April 14, 2003, at  
3 the age of 93; and

4 WHEREAS, Born on April 1, 1910, in Cole Springs, the former  
5 Ruby Nettles became the wife of Robert Lee Vance on August 19, 1930,  
6 in Rockdale, and their union was blessed with three children; and

7 WHEREAS, A lifelong homemaker, Mrs. Vance was a member of  
8 Lexington United Methodist Church and a beloved member of the  
9 community who was honored, together with her husband, as the  
10 recipient of an Outstanding Citizens Award in 1982; she had an  
11 extensive knowledge of Lee County history and helped to author  
12 books on the subject; Mrs. Vance belonged to the Lee County  
13 Historical Association and the Lee County Heritage Society, and she  
14 was a founding member of the Pioneer Village Log Cabins in  
15 Lexington; and

16 WHEREAS, Deeply missed by all who knew her, this  
17 distinguished woman played a significant role in helping to record  
18 the history of the area for current and future generations, and she  
19 leaves behind a lasting legacy of achievement and countless  
20 friends; now, therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
22 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Ruby Vance and extend  
23 sincere sympathy to the members of her family: to her son, Robert  
24 J. Vance and his wife, Nita; to her daughter, Mary Beth Gibson and

1 her husband, Carlton; to her brother, J. M. "Mac" Nettles; to her  
2 sister, Carrie B. Shea; to her four grandchildren and two  
3 great-grandchildren; and to her other loved ones; and, be it  
4 further

5       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
6 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of  
7 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Ruby Vance.