Obituary: Emma Jean Scott

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Emma Jean Dunlap Scott of Grand Saline, missions volunteer and faithful member of First Baptist Church in Canton, died Aug. 5. She was 85. She was born in Tatum on May 12, 1936, to Elvie Hallmark Dunlap and Annie Pitts Dunlap. After she graduated as valedictorian of Carthage High School, she went on to earn her undergraduate degree with honors at Texas State College for Women (now Texas Woman's



University) in Denton and later earned a master's degree from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. She married the love of her life, Orville Lindsey Scott, on Dec. 21, 1957. They were active in mission work in Mexico, the Lower Rio Grande Valley, San Andres, Colombia, China, Latvia, Estonia and Poland, as well as teaching at the Baptist Theological Seminary of Reuschlikon, Switzerland. She was a classroom teacher for 35 years. She retired from the Richardson Independent School District in 1994. After the Scotts moved to Van Zandt County, she helped direct the library at First Baptist Church in Canton, where she also was program director for Women on Missions, led Grief Share meetings and taught English-as-a-Second-Language classes. She was preceded in death by her husband Orville. She is survived by son James of Fort Worth; son John and his wife Suzanne of Murphy; daughter Elizabeth Steadman and her husband Darrell of Fort Worth; five grandchildren; two greatgranddaughters; and a brother Jim Dunlap and his wife Linda of Longview.