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**F**rances Elkins Hutchings was born November 12, 1912 in Eagle Lake, Texas the first child of Sophie Wilson and William Corrin Elkins. The family later move to Galveston and Houston. In August of 1922 the family now composed of mother, father and 5 children moved back to Eagle Lake.

She was baptized and confirmed in Christ Episcopal Church in Eagle Lake and later she taught Sunday School for tots and sang in the church choir.

In school she was very active in sports, participating in baseball, volley ball, basketball and tennis. She represented Eagle Lake High School at the District Meeting Scholastic Competition in her senior year (1931). She was a member of the "Pep Squad", Choral Club, and Drama Club and was elected Prettiest Girl on Campus in 1931.

Upon graduation from High School she obtained a position with Postal Telegraph and Cable Company where she worked 9 years as Teletype Operator, LD Switchboard operator Branch Manager of a Telegraph substation.

She married Richard (Dick) Hutchings, Jr. on October 22, 1933 in Christ Episcopal Church, Eagle Lake, Texas. She retired from Acme Brick after 19 years, retiring in 1974 as Executive Secretary to the Branch Manager. She was named KILT RADIO's Secretary Sweetheart of The Day November 25, 1974. Frances taught Art Class part time for Houston Parks and Recreation for many years before retiring at age 85. She was a member of St. Paul Episcopal Church, past member of DAR, DRT, Pasadena Gulf Coast Art Society, Doll Guild and Garden Villas Civic Club. She is survived by son Richard Lee Hutchings, III; sisters, Ruth Orr and Dorothy Cox and husband, Julian, many nieces and nephews.



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