

Ruby Grace Poynter

On January 31, 1915 Daniel A. Poynter and Saphronia Elizabeth Parrish excitedly announced the birth of their 4th child, Ruby Grace Poynter. Ruby's father Daniel Poynter was born April 13, 1878 in Kentucky's state capital Frankfort. He had black hair, grey eyes and grew to be a tall man with a stout build. Daniel married Saphronia Elizabeth Parrish who was born March 21, 1878. He also registered for the military on July 8, 1898 and 10 days later their first child Mattie was born July 18, 1898. In 1905, their only son Edgar was born and then another daughter Catherine Kate Poynter was born on July 13, 1908.

The family moved to Louisville Kentucky around 1907 (showing up on the 1910 Louisville census) and lived in a home at 126 South Campbell Street, which is now an office building. Soon after the move Ruby Grace Poynter was welcomed into her mother's loving arms. Like most other children Ruby was a happy healthy baby by all accounts. She smiled, learned to crawl, spoke her first words, and then started to walk. On a cold December day just a few days shy of Christmas, Ruby Grace Poynter age 3 years 10 months 20 days departed from her family December 20, 1918 from pneumonia. With a heavy heart the small family had to make the decision where her little body would be laid to rest. Eastern Cemetery is where they placed their beloved daughter.

Saphronia, Daniel and their three remaining children continued life through this tough time. At age 63, Saphronia "Fronia" Elizabeth Parrish Poynter joined her precious child Ruby on May 17, 1941 from a blood clot in her heart. Again her family chose Eastern Cemetery as her final resting place. Daniel A. Poynter joined his daughter and wife at Eastern Cemetery on September 9, 1942 from a fistula do to an untreated hernia. Ruby's sister Catherine Kate Lampkin Masterson passed away January 24, 1953 and also picked her final resting place at Eastern Cemetery. However, she has no known headstone.

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