

RUTH WEEGAND DAVIS (11/24/1893 - 01/19/1978)

PSI STATE FOUNDER 1936

BORN IN: Denver, CO

**EDUCATION:** 

1910 Atlanta Girls' High graduate

1911 Atlanta Normal School graduate; elected as teacher in Atlanta Schools

1922 New York University music degree with minor in piano; music supervisor certificate (72 credit hours)

1933 Columbia School of Music , Chicago with B.A. degree in music education majoring in voice with a minor in piano

1940 Oglethorpe University Atlanta with B.A. degree in education

1942 Emory University with M.S. degree in science EXPERIENCE:

### TEACHING AND PROFESSIONAL

Atlanta Elementary Schools teacher and playground director for 3<sup>rd</sup> through 7<sup>th</sup> grades and for summer school (4 years), teacher at Crew Street (5 years); conducted workshops for summer schools throughout Georgia (GSCW, Eastman; Blakely; Emory University) during latter part of 48-year career in Atlanta Schools

# DELTA KAPPA GAMMA LOCAL CHAPTER:

Alpha charter member (January 3, 1936); Alpha's first secretary (1939-1941); participant in all areas

## PSI STATE ORGANIZATION:

Recording Secretary 1938-1940; attended meetings, seminars, conventions, and workshops; conducted workshops and programs; led discussions; introduced guests; gave reports; assisted with Georgia hospitaltiy for guests

# REGIONAL (CONFERENCES, DUTIES, ACTIVITIES):

Attended regional conferences; enjoyed workshops and programs; led discussions; introduced guests; gave reports; hosted Georgia reception for national guests

# INTERNATIONAL (CONVENTIONS, DUTIES, ACTIVITIES):

Supported all programs; attended national conventions; gave reports; assisted with programs and workshops as assigned

### COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS:

Member of Atlanta Music Club and Guild for fifty years serving four years as vice president for education; Junior Club; Teen-age Guild; Scholarship and Finance Committee; one of the founders of Atlanta Community Orchestra; five years as chairman of Atlanta district Georgia Power Music Scholarship Committee for Brevard Summer Music Camp; Atlanta chapter of the Organist Guild; college Music Club; National and Georgia Music Education conferences; Atlanta Arts Council; Atlanta Ballet Guild; Atlanta chapter National Audobon Society; Atlanta Chapter AAUW; Retired Teachers Association at national, state, and local levels; Women's Association of Atlanta Symphony Orchestra; Wycliff Bible Translators Association; Dogwood Hills Baptist Church

#### HONORS:

Girls' High graduation speaker and winner of Marsh Loving Cup for Excellence in English; presenter of demonstration lessons at national music conventions; honorary life member of Atlanta Music Club; Woman of the Year in Education (1953); work with Atlanta city-wide chorus and orchestra led to formation of the internationally known Atlanta Boys' Choir

# EXPERIENCE:

# TEACHING AND PROFESSIONAL CONTINUED

Teacher, director, and supervisor for instrumental and vocal music covering all grades during fifty-one year career (1918-1959): music supervisor and/or director for Atlanta Schools serving all grades at various times throughout career; began annual city-wide chorus concerts featuring one-thousand voices (1938); added 125-piece concert orchestra (1947-1952); presented Radio School of the Air on commercial radio (1944-1945); supervised four areas of Atlanta Boys' Choir (1945-1949); presented plan of improvement to add twenty white schools and twenty-five colored schools to supervisory load (1952); presented last city-wide elementary school concert (1956); requested fewer supervisory duties when schools were divided into areas; retired (1959)

#### **BURIAL INFORMATION:**

Born November 24, 1893; died January 19, 1978; taught many years as Ruth Weegand; married later in life and taught as Ruth Davis; career began in Buena Vista, Marion County