



GEORGINA E. BROWN
Newspaperwoman and Author

Georgina E. Brown was born in Leadville February 24, 1909. Her father owned and operated a drug store in the famous old mining town. She was sent to Denver to attend East High School and then entered the University of Colorado to study journalism. At age 20, she left college to marry Ross Brown, an outstanding football player at what was then Colorado A & M.

After the couple settled in Lakewood, Georgina went to work for the JEFFERSON COUNTY REPUBLICAN, a weekly newspaper covering all of Jefferson County. Later she became chief reporter for the GOLDEN OUTLOOK, another weekly, and also contributed to the GOLDEN TRANSCRIPT. During her long years as a newspaperwoman, ranging through the Depression Era, World War II and the exciting events leading into the Space Age, Georgina also freelanced for Denver radio and television stations, helping cover such major stories as the kidnap-murder of Adolph Coors III. She was, without a doubt, the most highly respected, honest and admired journalist to cover the many activities at the old courthouse in Golden; from county commissioners meetings and zoning matters, to the daily schedules of district and county courts.

For many years the Brown's lived in the Mount Vernon Country Club area, then moved to Leadville, where they bought a home just a few doors away from Georgina's childhood residence. She became active in the Lake County Historical Society and was correspondent for the PUEBLO CHIEFTAIN newspaper. When Ross died in 1990, Georgina moved to Sterling, Colorado to be near their daughter and three grandchildren.

Georgina's book, THE SHINING MOUNTAINS, is widely regarded as the best general history of Jefferson County available. Georgina also compiled the book, VICTORIAN NOSTALGIA; subtitled "A Look at Leadville's Homes of Fortune" it is a guide to the town's outstanding homes and buildings.

Georgina Brown was elected to the Jefferson County Hall of Fame, on November 14, 1998.