

# FORT BEND COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION

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### Abstract: **Lee Elkins LeGrand**

Lee's heritage involves Fort Bend ISD and a family of school teachers and administrators. Her grandparents came to Fort Bend County in 1929 working for the Austin Telephone Company. Her grandfather, Lawrence E. Elkins, Sr. served as president of the school board, her father, Lawrence E. Elkins, Jr. served as superintendent. Her grandmother and mother were teachers. After graduation, with several teaching degrees, Lee followed in her family's education tradition.

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## Interview Summary

### People (in order mentioned in interview)

Lawrence Edwards Elkins, Sr. – paternal grandfather, president, Missouri City School Board  
 Roanes – neighbors  
 Bordens – neighbors  
 E A “Jim” & Doris Jones – family friends  
 Corine Hebert Elkins – paternal grandmother  
 Maidie Elkins- great aunt  
 Irene Elkins – great aunt  
 Lawrence Edwards Elkins, Jr. – father  
 Mr. Dew – garage owner  
 L. P. “Pat” Rogers – school superintendent  
 Mr & Mrs. O. F “Fuller” Carroll – neighbors  
 Emma Sue Newton Elkins – mother  
 Blanche Willis Newton – maternal grandmother  
 Maxine Gary – teacher  
 Rita Drabek – teacher  
 Dot Hightower – teacher  
 Kellum Newton – maternal grandfather  
 Lawrence Newton Elkins – brother  
 Erin LeGrand Stauffer – daughter  
 Grayson Stauffer - grandson  
 Bill Clements – Governor of Texas  
 Guy Lewis – UH basketball coach  
 Hakeem Olajuwon, UH and Houston Rockets basketball  
 Pete Cangelosi, Gordon Brubaker, Anton Jensen, Robert Hearren, Jerry L. Segers, Lawrence Elkins, Alan Robinson, Ken Hearren, Ervin Reese, Boyd Flinn – UH basketball players  
 Bobby Williams – Rice University Athletic Director

Marshall Whichard – UH basketball player

### Places / Businesses

Franklin, Texas  
 Wallis, Texas  
 East Bernard, Texas  
 Stafford, Texas  
 Austin Telephone Company  
 Missouri City, Texas  
 Missouri City High School  
 Missouri City School Board  
 E. A. Jones Elementary School  
 Orange, Texas  
 Louisiana  
 Celeste, Texas  
 Fort Bend County Demonstration Club  
 Richmond, Texas  
 Harris County, Texas  
 Sugar Land, Texas  
 Sam Houston State Teacher’s College  
 U. S. Army Air Force  
 World War II  
 Germany  
 Dulles High School  
 Humble Oil Refinery, Houston  
 San Antonio, Texas  
 New Willard, Texas  
 Livingston, Texas  
 Lakeview Elementary School  
 Lovelady, Texas  
 Timpson, Texas

Houston Independent School System  
Blue Ridge Elementary School  
Missouri City Junior High School  
University of Texas, Austin, Texas  
Willowridge High School  
Adult Probation, Fort Bend County  
Elkins High School  
Lawrence, Kansas  
Fort Bend County Fair  
Fort Bend Independent School District  
Missouri City Lions Club

East Fort Bend Chamber of Commerce  
Boy Scout Board, Karankawa District  
Association for Retarded Citizens  
Clements High School  
Texas Education Association  
Bearcat Hall of Fame, Sam Houston  
State  
Houston Community College  
Eight Air Force  
Hitchcock, Texas  
University of Houston

## Events

Lee grew up in Missouri City surrounded by a family of teachers and school administrators. She shares many fond memories of growing up in a close-knit community of educators and family friends.

Long-time residents of Fort Bend County will fondly remember Lee's father, Lawrence Elkins, as the Superintendent of Fort Bend Independent School District.