

### *AMELIA WIRE HOLMES AARON [1902-2000]*

Amelia Wire Holmes Aaron was born and died in Louisiana, although she traveled widely upon occasion. She was a successful businesswoman, and was artistically talented in music and in poetry. She lived to be 98 years old, and for most of her life she entertained others by singing, playing the piano, and leading sing-a-longs for residents of nursing homes, and for members of churches and other service organizations in Northwest Louisiana.

The writer Francois Mignon thought highly of her poems, and he encouraged her to continue in her craft. Periodically he helped to publish her poems in the Natchitoches Enterprise, a newspaper for which he was a major regular contributor. She actively supported public charities for nearly a century, especially the National Down Syndrome Organization in honor of her own daughter Jane.