

Courtesy of the Lambert and Woodruff families

Grave of Abraham Owen Woodruff (AOW) in El Paso, Texas

> filled with pus were standing out all over her body and wherever they had broken were sores it was a terrible sight.

After suffering so severely that she even asked her husband to pray for her death, Helen died on June 7, 1904. Her final moments were detailed by Taylor:

> [A]t 3:45 a.m. Bro. Henning came rushing up the steps to where Bro. Woodruff and I were sleeping on the roof, and told us to come at once for sister Woodruff was dying and scarcely had we reached her bedside when she passed peacefully away after having suffered since May 23 with a most loathing and virulent form of smallpox. Her suffering has been something fearful and for her, death was surely a relief.

Taylor continued his narrative with a detailed account of Helen's burial. He concluded:

> There we all surrounded the grave and sang "O My Father." Bishop Johnson dedicated the grave . . . and the grave was