



## Face of Fillmore

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I love celebrating holidays and am especially pleased when I find a story to fit an upcoming holiday. I have run across just such a story with which to celebrate Valentine's Day. What better way to celebrate the holiday of love than with a love letter?

I will admit the details of it are very sketchy to say the least, but I can use my imagination and hope you are able to as well.

Several months ago, a good friend of mine and yours passed away – Judy Fergus. Knowing how I love music, her husband Lynn gave me quite a large collection of music she had enjoyed and I readily accepted it. I have spent hours at the piano and organ finding out how it all sounds.

Just last week I picked up an old song book that has been part of this music. I set it aside because I love old books and wanted to take a closer look.

The songbook was an old brown one titled, “Deseret Sunday School Songs”. There are some familiar hymns in it and some I have never heard of. There is no title page to tell when it was published but someone had handwritten the date May 4, 1935 inside the back cover, so the book is obviously somewhat older than that.

Inside the front cover in beautiful, feminine writing in ink, it says: “Property of Mrs. Inez Dover” and gives an address in Los Angeles, California. Inside the back cover, it says, “Mrs. Allen Mitchell” along with the same address. Herein lies the mystery. The writing was obviously done by the same person. Are the names referring to the same person who perhaps was Mrs. Dover and then married again and became Mrs. Mitchell, or are they two separate people? I must remember to ask Lynn if he knows the solution to that.

Below the address inside the front cover in much more masculine looking printing, mostly in capital letters and written in colored pencil is a beautiful love note:

“I’ve always known – somewhere in this creation – I’d find the inspiration – making my dreams complete – My search is done - I’ve found my guiding star – Darling, I’m sure you are the one – “

Inside the back cover in that same writing it says:

“You are the one – All through eternity – love has its day that we should meet – through every age our love has held the stage on each romantic day we meet.”

I don’t know about you, but I’d like to know the story behind all of this . . .

