

## **FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE FOR FAMILIES OF DECEASED RAILWAY EMPLOYEES**

**The John Edgar Thomson Foundation**, established in 1882 and endowed by the will of Mr. Thomson, third President of the Pennsylvania Railroad, offers limited financial assistance to daughters of a deceased parent. The parent, regardless of gender, must have been in the employ of any railroad in the United States at the time of death, although the cause need not be work related. Also, the employee must have been considered actively employed by the railroad even though on disability or sick leave at the time of death. Whatever grant is awarded usually serves to benefit all members of the family. Eligibility is dependent upon the daughter and the surviving parent remaining unmarried and meeting certain other criteria.

The monthly allowance made under the grant may cover the period from infancy to age 18; under certain circumstances to age 22, to assist grantees who are pursuing higher educational goals. The Foundation also offers special health care benefits.

The funding of the work of the Foundation is completely independent of any railroad. It neither solicits nor receives funds from the public. Further information and applications may be obtained by writing to:

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