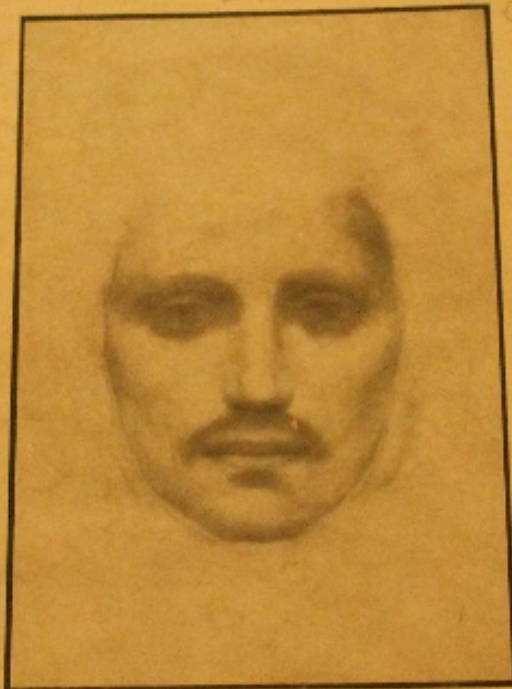


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you are not evil.

For a divided house is not a den of thieves;
it is only a divided house.

And a ship without rudder may wander
aimlessly among perilous isles yet sink not
to the bottom.

You are good when you strive to give of
yourself.

WITHOUT MAMA AND
DADDY I HAVE NO
RUDDER - THEY ARE
FOR ALL THIS IS FOR

To whom this may concern:

My name is Homer M. Gilleland. For over 29 years preceding his death, I was the personal hairdresser of Elvis Aaron Presley.

I originally worked at a department store in Memphis called Goldsmiths whtch had a hair salon. This is where I first met Elvis' mother, Gladys. I also began cutting Elvis' fathers hair. That's how I first met Elvis and I gegan doing his hair as well.

During my employment as Elvis' hairdresser , he gave me as gifts numerous items of clothing and personal property.

This book titled The Prophet was the first book that Elvis received as a gift back in 1955 and it's a book he would continue to read the rest of his life. Next to the bible it was his favorite book. This particular book which Elvis has handwritten "e.Ps personal copy was the book he woukd often read to his mother. Gladys loved this book as well and loved to listen to Elvis read passages out of it. As with all of Elvus' books, he would underline certain passages and make notes throughout the book.

Elvis later gave thisafirst copy of this book which he used to read to his mother years later to Charlie Hodge. I was present when Elvis gave Charlied this book.

Homer M Gilleland

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SOMETIMES UNDERSTOOD
BY ONLY A FEW

king whose hand is to be laid upon him in honour.

Is the shepherd not joyful beneath his trembling, that he shall wear the mark of the king?

Yet is he not more mindful of his trembling?

For what is it to die but to stand naked in the wind and to melt into the sun?

And what is it to cease breathing, but to free the breath from its restless tides, that it may rise and expand and seek God unencumbered?

Only when you drink from the river of silence shall you indeed sing.

And when you have reached the mountain top, then you shall begin to climb.

And when the earth shall claim your limbs, then shall you truly dance.

TO CHARLIE
This ONE is the
FIRST ONE I
EVER OWNED
READ IT ALL!

Edna Parker