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Grandma Boruff's Gingerbread from Jane

Recipes are very important to me and when my mother died she had boxes and boxes of pamphlets and clippings. This is a recipe for gingerbread that she gave me and it's been handed down through three generations. Grandma Boruff gave the recipe to her daughter-in-law, my Aunt Beth, who gave it to my mother and the old copy I have is in my aunt's handwriting. I've made other gingerbread recipes but still like this one best. (The parentheses are mine)

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1/2 cup sugar
1/2 cup oleo (or butter)
1/2 cup buttermilk
1/2 cup molasses (not blackstrap)
2 eggs
1 1/4 cup flour
1/2 tsp. ginger
1/2 tsp. cinnamon
1 tsp. baking soda (for high altitude use half as much)

Mix all and beat well. Pour into greased and floured 8x8 square pan and bake 40 minutes to 1 hour at 350 degrees F.