

The Rev. Judson G. Jackson, 97, of Hogansville, died Wednesday, Feb. 9, 2005, at West Georgia Medical Center in LaGrange.

He was born Jan. 31, 1908, in Santa Rita, Bahia, Brazil, to Ernest Alonzo and Jannette Catherine Beazley Jackson, who served as missionaries. He lived in Vitoria, Curitiba and Rio de Janeiro before returning to the United States at age 14 to attend Carson Newman in Tennessee. His parents and youngest brother were lost at sea on Nov. 12, 1928, as they were returning to Brazil aboard the SS Vestris, which sank off the Virginia Capes.

He graduated from the University of Tennessee and Southern Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky. He married Isabella Robeson Morgan on May 16, 1939.

He served churches in Knoxville, Tenn., Clayton, Lavonia, Vienna, Conyers, LaGrange and Excelsior Springs, Mo. He spent several years in Clayton managing the Baptist WMU at Camp Pinnacle, which he had been active in establishing. He retired to Hogansville in the late 1970s, where he served local churches of several denominations as guest or interim pastor and was active in Central Baptist Church in Newnan until his physical condition deteriorated.

Survivors include: his wife, Isabel Morgan Jackson of Hogansville; two sons, Ramon Jackson of Fairfax, Va., and Alan Jackson of Alexandria, Va.; two grandchildren, Christina Penton of Fairfax, Va., and Patrick Jackson of Washington, D.C.; and two great-grandchildren, Tori Penton and Tylir Penton, both of Fairfax, Va..

A memorial service will be conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday at Central Baptist Church in Newnan with the Rev. Joel Richardson officiating. The family will receive friends from 12:30-2 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be made to Central Baptist Church Building Fund, 14 W. Broat St., Newnan, GA 30263.

Claude A. McKibben and Sons Funeral Home, Hogansville, is in charge of arrangements.

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