



## **George Douglas Jr.**

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George Douglas Jr. of Alma passed away Sunday, Sept. 6, 2009 at Twin Oaks Nursing Home in Alma.

He was born April 6, 1927 in Bacon County, the son of George William and Jennie Hesters Douglas. He lived in Bacon County most of his life and attended Bacon County schools. He served in the United States Army, as did all three of his brothers, and was stationed in Occupied Germany.

On July 28, 1948, he married JoAnn Vance in Shell Creek, Tennessee. They lived in North Carolina for a few years and moved back to Bacon County.

Mr. Douglas farmed, was employed with Hazlehurst Mills, and was one of the early employees of Milliken Co.'s Alma Plant; he was present when the plant first produced carpet in 1969. He retired from Milliken in 1991. As long as his health permitted, he raised a garden and enjoyed fishing and his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Mr. Douglas was a member of Douglas Chapel Baptist Church and a Trustee of the Douglas Cemetery. His parents; three brothers, David Douglas of Alma, Freddie Douglas of Millwood, and Waylon Douglas of Alma; and two sisters, Maudelle Meeks of Nicholls and Bonnelle Fike of Alabama, precede him in death.

He is survived by his wife of 61 years, JoAnn Vance Douglas; two sons, George Dewayne Douglas and wife Wanda of Warwick; Michael Vance Douglas of Alma; two daughters, Lena J. Williams and husband Glenn of Baxley and Susan Douglas Anthony and husband John of Hale Center, Texas. Five grandsons: George W. Douglas of Darien, Alexander B. Anthony of Hale Center, TX, Michael V. Douglas Jr. of Broxton, Benjamin D. Anthony of Hale Center, TX, and William D. Douglas of Alma; three granddaughters, Leah W. Dixon of Baxley, Melissa Douglas of Alma, and Candice J. Douglas of Warwick; one great-grandson, Dylan Dixon; two great-granddaughters, Baileigh Douglas and Gabrielle Douglas; a sister-in-law, Geneva Douglas of Millwood; and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, September 10, 2009 at 11 a.m. at Douglas Chapel Church with Rev. Randy Ray officiating. Interment will follow in the church cemetery. The family will be receiving friends at the church Wednesday evening from 6-9 p.m.

Active pallbearers will be, Sammy, Danny and Jerome Douglas, Eddie Taylor Sr., Eddie Taylor, Jr. and Dewayne Thomas. Honorary pallbearers will be; Staff and residents of Twin Oaks, Dr. Harrison Carter and Staff, Roger and Glenda Johnson, Johnny and June Nobles, Jimmy and Linda Nobles, Albert and Becky Sloan, Mayo and Norma Mims, Maynard & Bea Anderson and Tommy and Beth Harris. Crosby Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.