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## rites set for former US Rep Deen

Alma, GA -- Funeral services will be today for former U S Rep Braswell Deen, Sr of Alma who died Saturday in an auto accident near Alma. He was 88.

Mr. Deen who served in Congress from 1933 to 1939 was the father of Judge Braswell Deen, Jr., of the Georgia Court of Appeals.

The Georgia State Patrol said the elder Deen was going fishing Saturday and was stopped at a yield sign when his auto was hit by another that had gone out of control. The accident occurred four miles north of Alma in Bacon County.

Mr. Deen, the second oldest of 12 children, was born on a farm south of Baxley in Appling County. His family was pioneers in southeast Georgia, and both grandfathers had served in the Confederate Army.

Mr. Deen attended Young Harris College and Emory University and served as school superintendent in Appling County before joining the armed forces in World War I.

Mr. Deen was president of South Georgia Junior College in McRae for four years and was editor of the Alma Times weekly newspaper from 1928 until he won the 8th Congressional seat in 1932.

The Democratic representative served in the 73rd, 74th, and 75th Congresses but declined to run in 1938 because of ill health. Later Mr. Deen was appointed state director of the Department of Public Welfare under Gov E D Rivers.

For the past 28 years he had been an insurance salesman in Alma.

Services will be at 11 a.m. today at Alma United Methodist Church. Burial will be at Rose Hill Cemetery.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Mildred Galush of Golden, Colo; three sons, Braswell Deen, Jr., of Atlanta, George Deen of Alma and Ralph Deen of Adel; and a sister, Lola Mae Deen Strickland of Waycross.