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### **Leonard Julian (L.J.) Tanner**

Leonard Julian Tanner (L.J.), age 87, of Alma passed away late Friday, February 10, 2006 in the Twin Oaks Nursing Home after an extended illness.

He was a native of Bacon County, son of the late Leonard Tanner and Mary Elizabeth Teston Tanner and preceded in death by four brothers and five sisters. Julian was a member of Campground United Methodist Church and a retired farmer.

Survivors include his wife, Kizzie Tanner of Alma; one son, Jack Tanner and wife, Laura of Alma; one daughter, Ann Gillis and husband Conway of Waycross; five grandchildren, Georgia Ann Rodriguez and husband, Andy of Lavonia, GA, Melody Lynn Boatright of Alma, James Conway Gillis, Jr. and wife, Loretta of Waycross, Anna Witte and husband, Stephen of Atlanta and Tot Jefferson Gillis of Jacksonville, FL; 11 great grandchildren and a special care giver, Kacie Disharoon.

Funeral services were held Sunday, February 12, 2006 at 2 p.m. at Campground Methodist Church with Rev. James Boyd officiating. Interment followed in the church cemetery.

Active pallbearers were Roy Hayes, Bucky Hayes, Pat Tanner, Wallace Cole, Jerry Mims and Walter Peacock. All those in attendance were considered honorary escorts. Crosby Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.