



Omie Jackson

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BORN: April 28, 1907

DIED : March 20, 2007

Omie Jackson was a native of Gwinnett County. One of twenty one children. She was raised on a farm between Lawrenceville and Duluth. Her father, Cary Pennell Jackson, was a farmer who sharecropped with other tenants. He also ran a sawmill and cotton gin on the farm. Mr. Jackson was a strong believer in education and this was reflected in Miss Omie's educational background. She first attended school in a one room school house, Jackson's Academy, built by her father and located on the family farm. Miss Omie graduated from Lawrenceville High School in 1925. She then attended Atlanta Normal Training School, graduating in 1928. This entitled her to begin teaching. Her teaching career began at age 20. On her first day as a teacher, teaching at Jackson's Academy, her dad walked her to school. She was so afraid that he would go inside the classroom that she asked him if he was going to do that. He said, no but gave her this advice "Don't ever take a switch in there. You can get their respect without having to do that." This began the wonderful career in the classroom that lasted 41 years. Miss Omie was not through with her education though receiving a Bachelors Degree in Arts from Oglethorpe University in 1944. Miss Omie inspired and motivated over 4000 students in her career. She taught Biology, Spanish and General Science to three

generations of students. The "Omie Jackson Science Award" at Central Gwinnett High School is given in her honor. She retired in 1969 but still remained in contact with many of the students until her death. A quote by William Arthur Conrad states: "The mediocre teacher tells, the good teacher explains, the superior teacher demonstrates, the great teacher inspires." Through her words, her actions, and her kind unselfish attitude, Miss Omie touched the lives of thousands in her life. She was a member of Delta Kappa Gamma and a Charter member of the Gwinnett County Retired Teachers Association, and an active member of Lawrenceville First United Methodist Church. Miss Omie never married, her fiancée was killed in 1941 during the attack on Pearl Harbor. She was preceded in death by her parents and twenty brothers and sisters. She is survived by several nieces and nephews and their families who loved her very much, her sister-in-law, Sara Jackson, Lawrenceville. She is also survived by her "Angel" Doris Patillo who watched over her and her family for fifty four years. Flowers accepted or memorials to The Omie Jackson Scholarship Fund at any Brand Banking Company. Funeral Services will be held 11:00 AM, Friday, March 23, 2007 at McKendree United Methodist Church, Lawrenceville. Rev. Davis Chappell, Dr. J. Douglas Gibson, Rev. Charles Farr and Rev. Bill Childers will officiate. Burial will follow at Fairview Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Lawrenceville. Family will receive friends from 2-4 & 6-8 PM, Thursday, March 22, 2007 at the Tim Stewart Funeral Home, 300 Simonton Road, Lawrenceville, Georgia 30045. 770-962-3100. Please sign online guest registry at www.stewartfh.com

Previous Events

Service

MAR **23**. 11:00 AM (ET)

McKendree United Methodist Church
1570 Lawrenceville Suwanee Road, NW
Lawrenceville, GA

Tribute Wall



“ *Omie Jackson*

October 08, 2022 at 11:31 AM



“ *Omie Jackson and I were beat friends ever since I could remember since middle school we never went any were without each other I was there when she had her first set of twins sneaking food into the hospital all for her I would give my last breath today tommorow tonight to see my best friend again I Love You Omie And I Got Noni So Don't Even Worry About it And we Got The kids baby They will never Ever Want For Anything I Promise You That Damn it seem Just like Yesterday When we was sitting at your Mother's house Eating Chilling Smoking Living Are best lives .I Love You So Much Best Friend Save A Spot For Me Right Next To You*

Shadonweeks - September 25, 2022 at 10:58 PM



“ *May God bless and comfort Miss Omies family.##imported-begin##Jim Cash##imported-end##*

March 23, 2007 at 09:09 AM



“ *Miss Jackson was a fine teacher. She taught me Biology in High School and was my home room teacher my senior year Lawrenceville class of 1956##imported-begin##Larry W. Herrington##imported-end##*

March 22, 2007 at 03:23 PM



“ I had Miss Jackson for Biology and Spanish at Central Gwinnett between 1962 and 1965. She was a wonderful teacher. I never forgot her, and I believe I still have the notebook she made us keep for Biology. I am very sorry to hear of her death.
In sympathy,
Sandra Rountree##imported-begin##Sandra Loggins
Rountree##imported-end##

March 22, 2007 at 12:47 PM



“ Sincere sympathy for the family from a Beta Rho, Delta Kappa Gamma, sister.##imported-begin##Linda Connally##imported-end##

March 22, 2007 at 08:45 AM



“ In 1999 I made a wonderful new friend. Her name is Miss Myrtice McCurdy of Stone Mountain. One of her first questions after she found out I was from Lawrenceville was; "Do you happen to know Omie Jackson?" Of course if you went to Central Gwinnett you knew Miss Jackson. Miss Myrtice then told me she had gone to the Atlanta Normal School with Omie and what fun they had together. She also explained that only girls who really wanted to be teachers went to this school. We visited Miss Omie several times after that and I always enjoyed seeing the two of them together. Miss Myrtice is now 98 and I don't have the heart to tell her "Omie' has joined the other Angels. I have also come to know Miss Omie's cousins, Miss Dorothy, Miss Lucille and the late Miss Evelyn. What a joy to be able to say I knew this family!
Pam Hall Jenkins
Central Gwinnett Class of 68'##imported-begin##Pam Hall
Jenkins##imported-end##

March 21, 2007 at 11:40 PM



“ You will be missed by all.##imported-begin##Frances Foster##imported-end##

March 21, 2007 at 05:30 PM



“ Miss Jackson's class at school was one of my favorite. She made the class exciting. She will be missed. My sympathy to her family, she was loved by all.##imported-begin##Diane Thompson##imported-end##

March 21, 2007 at 12:31 PM