

**DR. ELMER CARLOS
ELLIS**

Dr. Elmer Carlos Ellis, age 83, passed away Sunday, December 21, 2003, at his home in Valdosta, Georgia after a lengthy illness. Dr. Ellis was born on July 23, 1920 in Crockett to the late John Arren and Emily Nash Ellis.

Dr. Ellis received his Bachelor and Masters degrees from Texas A&M University and his Ph.D. from the University of Texas (Austin) and devoted his life to teaching. By the end of his career, he had worked as a classroom teacher, an elementary school principal, an assistant superintendent, and a college professor. His college teaching included developing teacher training programs for two years in Uganda, Tanzania and Kenya for Columbia University; two years in Bangladesh for Texas A&M University; and two years in Vietnam for Southern Illinois University. Dr. Ellis served on the faculties of East Texas State

University, Texas A&M University, University of Tennessee, University of Georgia, Texas Tech University and Valdosta State College (University). Dr. Ellis retired from Valdosta State College in 1989. Dr. Ellis served in the U. S. Navy in the South Pacific during WWII and later served in the Air Force Reserve.

Survivors include his wife, Dr. Margaret Ellis of Valdosta; stepdaughter, Lisa Gant Fisher (Paul) of Macon, GA; daughter, Cynthia Connor (Ron) of Houston; son, Steven Ellis (Jodie) of McAllen; four grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews, including Rex Ellis of Houston.

Memorial Services will be held on Sunday, January 11, at 2:00 p.m. at All Saint's Episcopal Church, 1301 East Houston Street.

In lieu of flowers the family requests that memorials be sent to the Houston County Historical Society or All Saint's Medical Assistance Program.

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