

## Mrs. Edna Mitchell Jackson

June 3, 1928 - December 19, 2018

Edna Ruth Mitchell Jackson, 90, born in Bainbridge, Georgia on June 6, 1928, passed away at home on Wednesday, December 19, 2018. She was the second child of James Powell, Sr. and Naomi (nee Carter) Mitchell who preceded her in death. She was also preceded in death by her husband Robert Carroll Jackson, Sr., daughter Patricia Jackson Banks, sister Annie Mitchell, niece Sherry Mitchell, brother-in-law George Storey, and sisters-in-law Dollie Mitchell and Fran Mitchell. Funeral services will be held Saturday, December 22, 2018 at 2:00 PM at Kimbrell-Stern. Rev Harold Mitchell will officiate. Interment will follow at Crown Hill Cemetery.

She is survived by countless loved ones including brothers James and wife Nell, Edward and wife Anne, Harold and wife Gloria, Joseph, and Earl and wife Jennie; and her sister Edith Storey. She is also survived by her children Robert Carroll Jackson, Jr, Linda Jackson Johnson, Anne Jackson Griffin and husband Clarence, Jane Jackson Stephens and husband Bertrom, Debbie Jackson, David Jackson, and her son-in-law Steve Banks; her grandchildren Emily, Maggie, William, Marilyn, Michael, Timothy, Jeff, Teelah, Kelly, Mark, Jason, Melody, Randy, Christopher, Jennifer, Mary Catrina, Robert, and Bradley; 19 great-grandchildren; and 15 nieces and nephews.

At six years old, Edna suddenly became her parent's oldest child when Annie passed away from appendicitis. Since that time, Edna has been the consummate oldest sibling to her younger sister and her six younger brothers, setting an example for them of quiet faith, gentle strength, and everlasting

love. Her love for them formed the prequel to her life role as the mother for her own seven children for whom she modeled the same godly qualities she exhibited in her childhood home.

In addition to being a devoted wife and mother, Edna was a sharp business woman who turned her fondness for sewing into an impressive cottage business. From hand-sewn garments and custom alterations to beautiful dolls and whimsical toys, Edna could transform fabric into magic. Her sewing room, full of teddy bears and ragdolls, spilled over with Christmas fabrics selected for her favorite projects: holiday arts and crafts. Eventually, she began selling her wares at craft shows across the state of Georgia at which she nearly always sold out of her inventory, no matter how much she had made for the event. Counting the ones she sold, the many she made as gifts for grandchildren and other loved ones, plus all the ones she gave away for the pure joy of it, Edna created thousands and thousands of dolls and toys that are loved to this day.

Edna was an ardent learner. When her children were still young, she was taking classes at the local junior college in pursuit of a liberal arts degree. When a technical school opened in Albany, Edna switched her focus to arts and craft classes, honing her innate artistic talent to the professional level. She truly was a lifelong student, never missing an opportunity to learn something new.

Edna was also a faithful teacher. Her love of God that sustained her throughout life, gave her the longing to share the gospel with others through Sunday school classes. She taught both children and adult classes over the years, sharing lessons she gleaned from Holy Scripture.

Her godly influence spread far beyond the church walls, beginning in her own home. She never missed a chance to tell her children that she loved them, that God loved them, and that she was praying for them. Her family knew they were loved. And she defined “her family” more broadly than most. It didn’t matter how distant—or questionable—the relationship, to Edna, you were family. The highlight of her year was planning the annual family reunion. She

had a way of making every single person in attendance feel as if she had planned the whole event just so she could see them. Her sweet smile welcomed each newcomer as she called them by name, inviting everyone to the table.

Edna Jackson, a treasure of a woman, is best described by the words of Proverbs 31:25-30: "Strength and dignity are her clothing, and she laughs at the time to come. She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue. She looks well to the ways of her household, and does not eat the bread of idleness. Her children rise up and call her happy; her husband too, and he praises her: 'Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all.' Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised."

To share your thoughts with the Jackson family you may visit our website at [www.kimbrellstern.com](http://www.kimbrellstern.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Crown Hill Cemetery

1907 Dawson Rd.  
Albany, GA 31707

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **22**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Kimbrell-Stern Funeral Directors  
1503 Dawson Rd.  
Albany, GA 31707

## Funeral Service

DEC **22**. 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Edna Mitchell Jackson*

May 22, 2023 at 10:29 AM



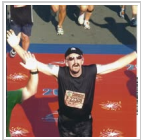
“ *Mrs. Edna Mitchell Jackson*

May 22, 2023 at 01:29 AM



“ *Mrs. Edna Mitchell Jackson*

December 24, 2022 at 02:54 AM



“ *My mom always encouraged me in Godly was on handling life's affairs!*

**David Jackson** - December 22, 2018 at 03:12 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Edna Mitchell Jackson.*



December 21, 2018 at 03:48 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Edna Mitchell Jackson.*



December 21, 2018 at 02:14 PM



“ *Serenity Wreath was purchased for the family of Mrs. Edna Mitchell Jackson.*



December 21, 2018 at 12:46 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Edna Mitchell Jackson.*



December 21, 2018 at 09:03 AM



“ *The Johnson Family purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Mrs. Edna Mitchell Jackson.*



**The Johnson Family** - December 20, 2018 at 07:28 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Mrs. Edna Mitchell Jackson.



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December 20, 2018 at 07:21 PM



“ *Glorious Memories Garland* was purchased for the family of Mrs. Edna Mitchell Jackson.



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December 20, 2018 at 05:00 PM