



James Gordon Bonser Obituary

June 14, 1921 - June 12, 2011

James Gordon Bonser was born in London on June 14, 1921. He died in Albany, GA on June 12, 2011. He was the son of Charles Gordon and Evelyn Villiers-Tuthill Bonser. He was educated at Tenterden Hall School, Hertfordshire and Banbury College, Oxfordshire. He had obtained his Inter LLB from King's College, London University when World War II was declared. He immediately volunteered for pilot training as a Royal Air Force pilot, training in Canada and graduating from flight school in Pensacola, FL. After the war, he completed his legal studies. Having fallen in love with America, he followed his sister, who had married a US army physician, to Albany, GA. Since he was not yet a US citizen, he could not practice law, so he built a successful career in life insurance. His success was a direct result of his unfailing instinct for his clients' needs and the ability to serve those needs in the most ethical way. He also owned and farmed pecan groves in south Georgia and Alabama. He was a member of the Albany Kiwanis Club, Doublegate Country Club and Stonebridge Golf and Country Club. His greatest devotion was to his church, First Methodist Church, where he was president of the Hudson Malone Class for many years. Jim is survived by his faithful, loving friend, Ruth Brisbois of Albany and her children of Albany and Atlanta, his sister Betty Bonser McKemie of Avondale Estates, a daughter, Pamela, of Atlanta, and seven nieces and nephews.

Tribute Wall



“ *James Gordon Bonser Obituary*

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“ *When I first moved back to Albany in 1968 with three small children, Jim worked patiently with me to get insurance for my little family. My love to his extended family, the McKemie's, who were my parent's "across the alley" neighbors and who we all loved dearly as the Smith Sisters grew up!*

Beverly Smith Herrington - June 17, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Our fondest thoughts and condolences to Jim's family and closest friends. We have such good memories with him over many years, especially during his residence at Albany's Morningside Assisted Living.*

Eddie and Ives Ort - June 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM