



Obituary

Born: Sunday, April 23, 1922

Died: Saturday, March 9, 2019

Service Summary

Funeral Service

11:00 AM Mon Mar 11, 2019

**First Baptist Church in Fitzgerald,
GA**

Lewis Inman Brinson, age 96, of Fitzgerald, Georgia, died

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Interment

Bishop Chapel Cemetery

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Saturday morning, March 9, 2019, at his residence.

Funeral services will be held at 11 A.M., Monday, March 11,

2019, at First Baptist Church in Fitzgerald, Georgia, with the

Rev. Blane Jacobs officiating. Kate Cox will share a poem.

Interment will be held at 3:30 P.M., Monday, in the Bishop

Chapel Cemetery in Emanuel County with the Rev. Franklin

Sasser officiating. The family will receive friends beginning

at 10 A.M. on Monday at First Baptist Church.

Mr. Brinson was born April 23, 1922, in Emanuel County,

Georgia, to the late I.H. & Mattie Lou Bishop Brinson. He

was a graduate of Emanuel County Institute in Twin City,

Georgia. He served his country honorably on Tinian Island in

the Army Air Corps during World War II as a Crew Chief on

a B-29 Bomber. He was there when the peace treaty with the

Japanese was signed. The GI Bill enabled Mr. Brinson to

attend college after the war and he graduated from Georgia

Teachers College and North Carolina State. He also earned

certification from the University of North Carolina and the

University of Georgia.

Mr. Brinson was a lifelong educator who started his career at

Fitzgerald High School in 1948. In 1968, he helped set up a

new technical school, Ben Hill-Irwin Technical School, and

served as the first director, retiring in 1984. Mr. Brinson was

a member of First Baptist Church in Fitzgerald where he

served as Sunday School Superintendent. He was a member

of the Rotary Club of Fitzgerald, serving as President in 1979

and also on various committees. He was given a Master

Teacher Award and was elected to the Georgia Hall of Fame

for Vocational Educators.

He is survived by his wife, Barbara Brinson of Fitzgerald;

son, Lewis I. Brinson, Jr. (Nancy) of Fitzgerald; daughter,

Betsy Brinson Sampson (Allen) of Dothan, Alabama; sister,

Betty Sue Davis of Port Wentworth; step-daughter, Layne

Cox (Dee) of Albany; two step-sons, Scott Nolen and Craig

Nolen (Heather), all of Atlanta; ten grandchildren; and six

great-grandchildren. In addition to his parents, he was

preceded in death by his first wife, Betty Jones Brinson; a

brother, Irvin Brinson, Jr.; and three sisters: Mildred Kemp,

Mary Sturgis, and Sara Fagler.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests contributions be made

to First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 367, Fitzgerald, GA 31750

or to the donor's favorite charity in Fitzgerald.