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Jack Page Davidson passed away at home on October 21, 2018, at the age of 88. Jack was born in Decatur Illinois, on August 25, 1930, the son of John and Evelyn Davidson. Jack attended Decatur High School graduating in 1948. Jack earned a BA in Commerce and Religion from Bob Jones University in Greenville, South Carolina in 1953 and did post graduate work in transportation law, earning him the certification and admittance to practice before The Interstate Commerce Commission and The Federal Maritime Commission, in 1977. He served in the United States Army from 1953 to 1955 as an Ophthalmic Technician.

Jack married Shirley Joyce Richards in 1953, and together they had five children. He worked in the field of Transportation his entire life holding various positions including V.P. Rail Transportation at Consolidated Grain & Barge Company and also the Naples Terminal Company; as well as V.P. Grain Transportation and Director Transportation Programs at Archer Daniels Midland Company (ADM). Jack retired from ADM in 1997.

Jack married Shirley Ann Dudley in 1975 and together, late in their lives, they adopted their great-grandson. Jack was an active member of First Baptist Church and participated in the music program, as a soloist, singing in the choir and playing the piano and organ. He served in various capacities at the church including Deacon, Trustee and Finance Committee member. His faith in Christ compelled him to serve the community as well as his church. He served as a past Board Member and Volunteer of Easter Seals, was named State of Illinois Volunteer of the Year, was a Life Member and past President of AMBUCS and had served on the Board of Macon Resources. In his spare time, Jack enjoyed antiques, gardening, reading, music and helping others.

Jack is survived by his children, Pamela (Robert) Marshall, Patty (Paul) Martin, Doug (Norma) Davidson, Penny (Mark) Weaver, Susan York and Jacob Davidson,



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all of Decatur; and his stepchildren Debbie (Michael) Morlock and Richard Dudley, both of Decatur. Jack is also survived by numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren and his best friend, Mike Waltenberger. Jack was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Shirley Ann Davidson and stepdaughter Cynthia Parish.

The family would like to acknowledge and thank our sister Susan, who cared for our dad over the last two and a half years.

Visitation will be held at Graceland-Fairlawn Funeral Home Wednesday, October 24, 2018, from 5:00pm to 7:00pm. A Celebration of Life will be held at First Baptist Church of Decatur, October 25, 2018, at 10:00am with graveside services shortly thereafter at Fairlawn Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to First Baptist Church <https://decaturfbc.com> and Macon Resources <https://maconresources.org>, both of Decatur, IL.

Condolences may be left to Jack's family at www.gracelandfairlawn.com



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DB

Dave Bednar posted:

Sorry to hear of Jacks passing. Enjoyed working with him at ADM

October 24 at 1:43 PM

JD

Jan Dial posted:

Patty, Penny & Davidson family... Please know how often you are thought of and prayed for at this very difficult time. God bless your entire family as you hold fast together and carry on the wonderful legacy of family and faith that your parents have given you.

October 24 at 11:22 AM

MH

M. Sue Hale posted:

Just wanted you to know I am thinking of you all at this time of Jack's passing. We (Steve Morgret) and I always enjoyed seeing Jack, Shirley and Jacob at Gabby's. Yes, he will be missed, but know he is now at Peace. God Bless. M. Sue Hale

October 24 at 7:16 AM

MM

Michele Morse posted:

Doug, Norma and Family, We are so very sorry to hear about your Dad. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Michele and Tom Morse

October 24 at 4:00 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Jack by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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