

Alexander Patterson Jr.

Alexander Patterson Jr., 89, of Hilton Head Island died Tuesday, Nov. 12, at his home.

He was born May 30, 1913, on Hilton Head, the son of the late Alexander Patterson Sr. and Mariah Robinson Patterson.

Mr. Patterson graduated from Penn Normal Industrial and Agricultural School on St. Helena Island in 1934.

He entered the Civilian Conservation Corps in 1935 and was honorably discharged in 1941.

He served in the U.S. Army where he was a battalion sergeant major. He was awarded the European-African Middle Eastern Theater Ribbon, five Bronze Battle Stars, the Good Conduct Medal, six Overseas Bars, the American Defense Service Medal, the American Campaign Medal and the World War II Victory Medal.

After being honorably discharged, he was employed by the Army Corps of Engineers in Savannah until his retirement.

He was a member of the St. James Baptist Church of Hilton Head.

Surviving are four sons and a daughter-in-law, Robert Alexander Patterson of Savannah, Edward Allen of Hilton Head, Alexander Patterson III and Brenda Patterson of Savannah and M. Tedd Patterson of Brooklyn, N.Y.; three daughters and two sons-in-law, Pauline and John Allwood of Calverton, England, Carol Gordon of Atlanta and Beverly and Richard Davis of Savannah; a sister, Alexandria Anne Patterson of Hilton Head; 13 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Wake services will be from 7 to 8 p.m. today at St. James Baptist Church. Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday at the church. Burial with military honors will follow in Elliott Cemetery on Hilton Head.

Marshall's Wright-Donaldson Home for Funerals is in charge of the arrangements.