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## Velmar L. Benton

Velmar L. Benton, age 101, of Ludowici passed away Saturday morning, December 3, 2005 in Savannah after a short illness.

He was a native of Bacon County, son of the late William Pinkney (Pink) Benton and Maranda Boatright Benton, husband of the late Janie Gooze Benton and was also preceded in death by three sons, Wallace, Harval and Huel Benton, a daughter, Norma Jean Taylor a brother, Raliegth Benton two sisters, Eula Hill and Carnell Youmans. Velmar was a member of the Tenth Street Church of God.

Survivors include a son, Wanzette Benton of Alma; a daughter, Willoise Sapp and husband Bernon of Baxley and a very special friend Nellie Nobles of Ludowici. Also seven grandchildren, 14 great grandchildren and three great-great grandchildren survive.

Funeral services were held Monday, December 5, 2005 at the Alma Church of God with Rev. Lowell Lee and Rev. Hulet Smith officiating. Entombment followed in Rose Hill Cemetery. Active pallbearers were Bruce Benton, Wally Sapp, Paul Lee, Steve Collins, Jerry Lee and Steve Camp. All those in attendance were considered honorary escorts. Crosby Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements