Elmer Julian Flexer

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Elmer Julian Flexer of St. Simons Island, Georgia, died Monday, Oct. 20, 2014, at Hospice of the Golden Isles.

A private family interment will be held at the Flexer plot at Palmetto Cemetery in Brunswick, Ga., on Wednesday, Oct. 22, 2014, at 9 a.m. A celebration of Julian's life will follow at 11 a.m. at St. Simons First Baptist Church with the Rev. Dr. Felix Haynes officiating. Visitation and a reception will follow in the church social hall.

Born in Brunswick, Ga., on Feb. 22, 1927, to the late Elmer Franklin and Susie Mae Flexer, Julian was one of five children. They were Margaret Flexer Duncan, Judge Winebert Daniel Flexer, John William Flexer and Susie Mae Flexer who are all now deceased. He grew up in Brunswick and was a 1945 graduate of Glynn Academy.

After high school, he served in World War II in the Army Air Corps in occupied Japan. He later became a captain in the Air Force Reserve. After his service tenure, he attended the University of Georgia for one quarter before entering Georgia Tech where he graduated with a fifth-year degree in architecture. At Tech, he served as president of the Sigma Chi Fraternity.

After graduation, he was employed by several architectural firms before opening his own business, "E. Julian Flexer, Architect" in Brunswick. His practice included residential homes, public schools, college buildings, banks, churches and other buildings in this area, as well as other counties.

He was involved in school and civic organizations such as Jaycees and the St. Simons Island Rotary Club, where he served as president and secretary, and was awarded an honorary membership for 60 years of service. He and his wife, Frances, were co-presidents of the St. Simons PTA and for many years he was a director of Habitat For Humanities. He was a member of the Escorts Club, a social club, where he served as secretary for many years.

He loved music and art. He played the piano by ear and was a very talented artist. He was a runner and participated in many local races. He enjoyed traveling with his family all over the U.S. and went with his wife to Europe and other foreign lands.

Julian was very involved in St. Simons First Baptist Church and was a member there for over 60 years. He loved the Lord with all his heart and sought ways to serve him at church. He was a life deacon and a member of the Builders Sunday School class.

Survivors include his wife, Frances Carolyn Bruce Flexer; a daughter, Frances Angela Flexer Moore (Leslie); a son, Julian Bruce Flexer (Terri); grandchildren, Andrew Taylor Moore (Amanda), Leslie Scott Moore (Callen), Lindsey Brooke

Flexer and Julian Bruce Flexer; great-grandchildren, Taylor Gianna Moore, Austin Tyler Moore, Bailey Jackson Moore and Madison Brooke Moore; sisters-in-law, Connie Kearse Flexer, Thelma Catherine Bruce and Elouise Lee Bruce; brother-in-law, Clayton Ramsey Bruce (Alta).

The Flexer family would like to thank Dr. William J. Laws, Dr. Michael Butler and the staff of Cardiac Rehabilitation for Julian's care.

Donations may be made in Julian's memory to First Baptist Church of St. Simons Island. Edo Miller and Sons Funeral home is handling the arrangements.

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