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## WILLIAM OTHO ?JACK? MORRIS

William Otho ?Jack? Morris was born in Huntsville, Texas on January 2, 1911 and died Monday, September 26, 2005 at a Longview nursing center. He graduated from Huntsville High School and Sam Houston State University and received a Master?s Degree from The University of Texas in Austin. He was a teacher, principal, and superintendent of Santa Fe High School in Santa Fe, Texas and later worked for The Texas Rehabilitation Commission. Mr. Morris went into the U.S. Army Air Corps in 1943 where his most significant assignment was as counselor to the severely handicapped at Percy Jones General Hospital in Battle Creek, Michigan. Following military service, he returned to The Texas Rehabilitation Commission until his retirement in 1974 and later operated cattle ranches in Harrison and Rusk Counties.

Mr. Morris was a member and a deacon of the First Baptist Church of Longview and taught the Young Men and Adult?s Classes for many years. His church was a very important part of his life.

On June 15, 1937, he married Miss Imogene Irwin of Laneville in a very small ceremony in Austin where they were both students at the University of Texas. They had 67 wonderful years together. In addition to his wife, he is survived by a brother, James Walter Morris, Jr. of Austin and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father James Walter Morris, Sr., his mother Ethel Allene Thompson Morris; a sister, Margaret Morris Craig and a brother, Robert Edward Morris.

Graveside services will be held at 9 AM Wednesday at Memory Park Cemetery with Rev. Dewayne Beaty officiating. Burial will follow under the direction of Rader Funeral Home of Longview.

Memorial may be made to the First Baptist Church of Longview..



## Tribute Wall

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**Anonymous** posted:

What a wonderful addition to our world was "Mr. Morris"! He and you, Imogene, were the epitome of what marriage could and should be. Thank you for providing the perfect example for the two of us. We truly value your guidance and friendship throughout these many years.##imported-begin##Pat and Fancher Melton##imported-end##

September 27 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Oh, what fond memories we have of Mr. Morris - one of the quiet but dedicated men of First Baptist Church, a true servant of our Lord. So sorry we could not be with you for the memorial service. Please accept our condolences. David and Helen Ferrell##imported-begin##David and Helen Ferrell##imported-end##

September 27 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Mrs. Morris - Just a note to let you know I am thinking of you. Mr. Morris was a wonderful caring man and will be greatly missed. Cindy Rook##imported-begin##Cindy Rook##imported-end##

September 27 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Mr. Morris was always one of my favorite people to see on Sunday morning, especially the Sundays he counted money with us on the money counting team. He was always happy and had a great sense of humor. I thought of Mr. Morris just last week, and now regret not trying to contact him and go see him. My prayers are with Ms. Imogene.##imported-begin##Wayne Hare##imported-end##

September 27 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

DEAR MRS MORRIS; JACK WAS MY FRIEND AND A VERY GOOD MAN.WE WILL MISS HIM ALSO. YOU ARE IN OUR PRAYERS. ALMA & KEN##imported-begin##KENNETH & ALMA SPARKS##imported-end##

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## **Memories only last if you share them**

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



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