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Jackson's
Parents Call
It Murder

The parents of George Jackson, one of the convicts killed in the escape attempt at San Quentin Saturday. expressed the belief yesterday that he was murdered.

"They went to lengths to try to convince the public he was an animal for ten years," Georgia Jackson told newsmen at the prison's gate. "They set him up to be killed."

She had gone to San Quentin with their attorney yesterday in an attempt to interview prison officials. They waited 30 minutes before leaving and during that time a dozen others were turned away.

A sign said, "Absolutely no visiting."

At their home in Pasadena the dead prisoner's father, Lester Jackson Jr., told Associated Press: "We expected the killing."

Jackson, a postal employee for 29 years, buried his only other son, Jonathan, 17, a year ago this month after he was killed while aiding prisoners in an abortive escape from a courtroom in the Marin County Civic Center.

He last saw his elder son almost two weeks ago, the father said.

"George said he thought they were trying to find an excuse to kill him," said the father. "He was in solitary confinement, in maximum security. There was no way possible for him to try to make an escape."