



Robert Hansel Jones

November 23, 1942 - December 12, 2015

December 14, 2015

Mr. Robert Hansel Jones, age 73, of Forrest City, Arkansas, died Saturday, December 12, in Memphis at the Baptist East Hospital. He was born November 23, 1942, in Forrest City, to Thomas Lester Jones and Minnie B. Miles Jones.

Mr. Jones graduated from Forrest City High School and from Arkansas State University with a degree in business, and he joined his father in the family independent insurance agency, T. L. Jones & Son. He was a member of First Baptist Church where he was active in the bus ministry and taught Sunday School. He served on a variety of local boards and committees and was active in the community that he called home for his entire life.

Before his health failed, he was an avid golfer, duck hunter, and life long St. Louis Cardinal fan. Above all, what he loved more than anything else was his family. He was never happier than when he was surrounded by his beloved wife, his two children, and their families. For the last seventeen years, he has been affectionately known as Boo, and it was the proudest title he ever held.

Mr. Jones married Paula Light on June 15, 1963, and they were married for fifty-two years. She was the absolute light of his life and had been since

childhood. She survives him along with his daughter, Jennie Jones Gibson, and husband, Doug, his son, Rob Jones, and wife, Brooke , and six much adored grandchildren; Paul Gibson, Eliza Gibson, Emma Gibson, Jack Jones, Ben Jones, and Trent Jones, four sisters, Eugenia White of Forrest City, Elsie Sams of Houston, Texas, Joan Gregory of Abilene, Texas, and Barbara Hodges of Jonesboro, and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents as well as a brother, Charles Jones and a granddaughter, Elizabeth Caroline Gibson.

Services for Mr. Jones will be held at the First Baptist Church, 2:00 P.M., Thursday, with burial in Forrest Park Cemetery. Visitation will be Thursday, beginning 1:00 P.M., until the time of the service at the church. Stevens Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. You may log on to stevensfuneralhome.net for the on line registry. Memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church, 507 N. Rosser, Forrest City, Arkansas 72335, or to the charity of your choice.

Cemetery Details

Forrest Park

Hwy 1 South
Forrest City, AR

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 17. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church
507 N. Rosser
Forrest City, AR 72335

Funeral Service

DEC 17. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Interment

DEC 17 (CT)

Forrest Park
Hwy 1 South
Forrest City, AR

Tribute Wall



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert Hansel Jones.*



December 18, 2015 at 12:27 PM



“ *We are truly sorry that my wife and I could not make it today . We are moving to Benton , AR . Robert will truly be missed by everyone that knew him or worked with him . We are so glad Paula that we at least got to see the both of you at our high school reunion in Heber Springs this year . Paula we will be praying for you and your family especially this Christmas season . God Bless you and your family .*

Ron Danehower - December 17, 2015 at 12:09 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Robert Hansel Jones.*



December 17, 2015 at 09:36 AM



“ *Paula,
I am so sorry for your loss. Robert was a good man. Please know that I will keep you in my prayers.
Donna Baker Snyder*

Donna Baker Snyder - December 15, 2015 at 08:45 PM

BP

“ My deepest sympathies and heartfelt prayers to the Robert Jones family. Grateful to God for Mr. Jones' life and the impact he had on many of us. I have great memories of going with him on the "bus route" on Saturday mornings to Madison/Widener and the surrounding areas visiting those who would be riding the bus the next morning on their way to hear the gospel of Jesus Christ at First Baptist Church. Mr. Jones was always faithful to the task of visiting as well as driving the bus. Only eternity will measure the impact of his commitment and dedication. I look forward to seeing him again one day. "Well done, good and faithful servant!"

Bobby Pruiett - December 15, 2015 at 04:48 PM



“ Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Robert Hansel Jones.



December 15, 2015 at 02:32 PM

TC

“ I remember Robert as the best Midget League Catcher of all...Tom Clark

Tom Clark - December 15, 2015 at 06:22 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Robert Hansel Jones.



December 14, 2015 at 04:28 PM

BF

“ Farewell, Old Friend. Lot of memories here. We were in the bunch that went to Arkansas State way back in 1960. We pledged Sigma Phi Epsilon with a special bunch of guys that went on to contribute much to Arkansas Gamma chapter. We had a lot of fun and great times.

A bunch of us Forrest City kids got married the same summer in 1963. You and Paula lived down the street from Linda and me in our trailers in Indian Village. Hoyte and Connie lived next door to us. Freddie and Patricia, Booger and Charlotte and J.L. and Marilyn lived in a trailer park off campus. Patricia, Paula and Linda were in Phi Mu. We have a lot of ties that will never be erased. You will be greatly missed by so many friends and relatives.

Another thing I'll always remember. We were both on the inaugural First National Bank Little League team. You were the catcher and a good one. You got hurt and they stuck me in there as a temp. Only problem was the catcher's chest protector was too small for my considerable girth. I had to wear the umpire's inflatable chest protector. I can still hear the laughter and remarks from behind the backstop screen. Never did like baseball after that.

I know you're comfortable and resting well in Heaven now, Robert. God bless you and Paula and your family.

Butch Ford - December 14, 2015 at 04:26 PM

NF

“ Newfield Exploration Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Robert Hansel Jones.



Newfield Exploration Family - December 14, 2015 at 02:18 PM