



Jesse Willard Jones Jr.

December 7, 2023

Born into Eternal Life on December 7, 2023 at the age of 72 years surrounded by the warmth and love of his family.

Jesse was born and raised in North Carolina with his parents and adoring sisters who lovingly referred to him as “Sonnyboy”. Following high school graduation, he served his country by joining the United States Air Force and was a Vietnam War Veteran. He met the love of his life Melva Jones in 1973. They married on March 8, 1974 and they have shared 49 years of wedded bliss. He believed in finding joy in the everyday, worked hard for his family as an automotive mechanic and loved with his whole heart. His smile and laugh were contagious. Loving husband of Melva (nee Rodriguez) Jones. Jesse is survived by his children Jennifer (nee Jones) Pradarelli and her Husband, Dave, Jessica (nee Jones) Hinojosa and her Husband Dan. Doting Papa to his grandchildren Sydney Jones, Aidan Hinojosa, Liliana Hinojosa, Eli Hinojosa, Sam Hinojosa, Elena Hinojosa and Mateo Hinojosa. Father-figure to Erin (nee Olsen) DeVries and her husband Mike. Kind-hearted brother to Linda (nee Jones) Perkins, Phyllis Jones and Millicent Jones. Close friend and nephew to Ike Jones, “Uncle Ike”. Brother-in-law to Cruz Rodriguez, wife Martha, Elsa (nee Rodriguez) Olsen, Alfonzo Rodriguez, wife Blanca, Leticia (nee Rodriguez) Salazar., and Mike Syslo. Jesse is also survived by many nieces and nephews. Fur Papa to his pup Bella.

Preceded in death by his parents, Jesse W. Jones Sr and Dilsey (nee Martin) Jones, special niece Rhea Olsen, special nephew Alexander Jones, and Sister-in-Law Martha (nee Rodriguez) Syslo.

A special thanks to all the caregivers at Aurora St. Luke's Medical Center and South Shore and the VA for all their care and support.

“Don't cry because I'm gone, smile because I lived.”

Memorial Visitation Friday, December 15, 2023 from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM at the ROZGA-WALLOCH CHAPEL followed by a memorial service at 12:00 Noon.

Rozga Funeral & Cremation Services

Rozga-Walloch Chapel

4309 South 20th Street

Milwaukee, WI 53221

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

DEC 15. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

KW

“ I’m so sorry for your loss. I have heard a lot about Jesse from my dear friend Elsa. My thoughts and prayers are with your family.

Kathy Whited - December 14, 2023 at 10:24 PM

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“ The Colgrove Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Jesse Willard Jones Jr..



The Colgrove Family - December 13, 2023 at 10:12 PM

RC

“ Thanks for giving me the opportunity to work with you and Melva. Jesse always made me feel comfortable and welcomed when i came to his home, and he was so polite. He was one of the easiest people to talk to, and his knowledge and wisdom will sorely be missed. Rest in peace my friend.

Ric Cobb - December 12, 2023 at 10:57 PM

AM

“ So very sorry to hear of Jesse's passing. He was my neighbor and would help you out whenever you needed it. I remember him helping me cut down a tree in my yard and afterwards we enjoyed lunch on the front porch. He will be missed. Al Malecki

Al Malecki - December 12, 2023 at 05:22 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jesse Willard Jones Jr..*



December 09, 2023 at 07:44 PM



“ *So sorry to hear about Jesse’s passing. I live in Houston, Texas now, but Jesse and I worked in the same shop at O’hare Airport. We both lived in the Milwaukee area suburbs and carpoled for several years. He was a man of few words, and with a 3:30 am drive time, I slept most of the way. He would always tell fellow co-workers that riding with me was like “riding with a corpse!” Thanks for the rides Jesse, til we meet again, Greg Kapus.*

Greg - December 09, 2023 at 03:52 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Jesse Willard Jones Jr..*



December 09, 2023 at 12:27 PM



“ *Jesse was a kind soul that when I went to visit Melva at their home always made me feel welcome. I enjoyed treating them to home made gorditas. We enjoyed hanging out by their swimming pool. He was so proud of his family and Sydney held a special piece of his heart. We will miss you, Jesse Jones.*

Ira Garcia - December 08, 2023 at 10:39 PM