



## Dr. Jesse J. Jones, DVM

March 7, 1943 - May 11, 2023

The graveside service for Dr. Jesse J. Jones, DVM, of Tyler will be held on Saturday, May 27th, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. at Rose Hill Cemetery. We will hold a Celebration of Life immediately following the graveside service in the Galilee Room at Green Acres Baptist Church from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Family and friends are welcome to attend both the graveside service and the celebration of life.

On May 11th, 2023, Dr. Jesse J. Jones, DVM left this earth to be with Jesus. He was born on March 7th, 1943 in Paris, Texas to Capt. Jesse May and Nadia Green Jones. Dr. Jones attended Tyler High School and graduated in 1961. During his high school years, he was a member of the Tyler High Blue Guard and a life-guard at Tyler State Park. It was during his time at Tyler State Park that his love for adventure, fishing, and growing vegetables was cultivated. He spent his days helping clear and maintain hiking trails to ensure that park visitors could experience the adventure offered by the outdoors.

After graduation, he served in the United States Air Force as an electrical mechanic traveling across the country disabling Cold War era computer systems. He always reminisced about his time stationed in California and the fun memories he had on the California beaches. He went on to attend Texas A&M and earned his bachelor's degree in 1969 and his doctorate of veterinary medicine in 1970, earning himself the title "The Five Year Wonder." As a result

of his excellent work ethic, knowledge, and care for animals he was recruited to practice with the nationally renowned Dr. Fred Soifer, DVM, in Houston. Through this experience, Dr. Jones was also given the opportunity to care for animals of the Houston Zoo.

Dr. Jones returned to Tyler in 1977 to open Green Acres Animal Clinic, where he met the love of his life, Holli Barron Jones. They married in 1980 and spent 44 years raising litters of kids, cats, and dogs. Together they enjoyed creating memories with their children at home, on the lake, and on family vacations. One of the greatest joys in Jesse's life were his kids. He was devoted to putting his family first and raising them with Christian values. He took time to build forts, doll houses, remodel their family home, and even rebuild classic vehicles. Family was always important to him. He was a devoted son-in-law to George and Virginia Barron. He insisted they were a part of every family experience and vacation. If Dr. Jones was not in the office or spending time with his family you could find him enjoying his favorite hobbies of fishing and golfing.

He is preceded in death by his parents Capt. Jesse and Nadia Jones of Paris, TX; his cousin Kenny Walker of Tyler, TX; father-in-law George Barron and mother-in-law Virginia Barron of Tyler, TX; and his precious granddaughter Joy of Fort Worth, TX. He is survived by his loving wife Holli Barron Jones, brother Gene Jones, and five children Jesse Jones Jr. and Jana Schauhuber; Molli and Ben Crenshaw; Katie and Doug Ritcheson; Maggi and Ben Moore; and Wade and Anna Jones. Jesse was the proud "Pa" to eight grandchildren: James Jones, Nolan and Amelia Crenshaw, Lilly and Sadie Ritcheson, Charlotte and Barrett Moore, and Jack Jones. Dr. Jones was larger than life, a friend to all four-legged animals and beloved by all who knew him. He will be greatly missed.

# Previous Events

## Inurnment

MAY 27. 10:00 AM (CT)

Rose Hill Cemetery  
2400 S. Donnybrook  
Tyler, TX 75702

## Celebration of Life

MAY 27. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Green Acres Baptist Church - Galilee Room  
1607 Troup Hwy.  
Tyler, TX 75701

# Tribute Wall



“ Stewart Family Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Dr. Jesse J. Jones, DVM



Stewart Family Funeral Home - May 27, 2023 at 02:40 PM



“ Stewart Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Dr. Jesse J. Jones, DVM



Stewart Family Funeral Home - May 24, 2023 at 02:58 PM

SB

*Dr. Jones was always so good with Ginger and Bridget. He was a kind, gentle, and awesome vet. I will miss him. My prayers are with the family.❤️ Sue Burrow*

Sue Burrow - May 26, 2023 at 09:32 AM

HL

*A wonderful tribute to a trusted vet & friend for over 25 years. He will be greatly missed by us & many others. Our thoughts & prayers are with Holly & the family.*

*Harlon & Alice LAMBRIGHT*

Harlon Lambright - May 26, 2023 at 09:44 AM

JE

*The Late Great Dr. J as remembered by a friend of his son, Jesse Jr...*

*Dr Jesse James Jones... this guy always loomed larger than life. As the numerous comments here reflect, he was just the type of person we all want to be around-- funny, compassionate, hard-working, creative, loyal to friends and family, and oh so cool-- just an all-around righteous dude who always wanted to talk more about you than himself. I'd seen him for the better part of three decades at his home on Amherst Drive or at Lake Palestine or at his clinic and he just never had anything but a gregarious attitude and laugh to go with. My dad said he was always that same guy back in high school when they were at John Tyler. And I still try to style my hair the way he did which was longish and yet impeccably coifed at the same time. A hard look to pull, to be sure. Of course, the only calling that really suited him was to be around animals all day as a vet. You can see it in his face looking over these photos-- nothing made him happier than helping God's little creatures enjoy their simple lives, which of course made their humans delight further in the man. His family and faith were always most important to him and there will be much said by them directly on what a gap in their lives his departure from this Earthly life now leaves. But they all do take as heart as well they should knowing they will embrace again one day in a more perfect place. I'm one of these people who thinks there are animals in Heaven and Dr. J is right there with them taking in the mind-blowing splendor of paradise. Well done, Dr. J-- you will be missed!*

*Jed*

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**Jed** - May 26, 2023 at 05:46 PM

TR

“*My family and I took our animals here for years. He was so good to our animals and we enjoyed being greeted by Ms. Joyce. Condolences to his family.*

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**Teresa Rodriguez** - July 05, 2023 at 11:25 AM

PM

“ I am so sorry to be hearing this so long after his passing. He was a great vet and I am so glad my pets were able to have him as their doctor. Prayers for his family and all those who have lost a great vet.



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**Patti Mataxen** - July 04, 2023 at 05:01 PM

KT

“ I worked for Dr. Jones in high school. He was such an amazing man and vet. I will always have wonderful memories of my time working for him. My sincere condolences to his family.

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**Kathy Linder Tyler** - June 26, 2023 at 02:12 PM

JH

“ We are so very sorry for the loss of your dear loved one. What a wonderful life he had. His career as a veterinarian gave him the opportunity to help make the lives of so many animals and their people better.

Jesse was a classmate of ours at John Tyler High School. I have many fond memories of the times we shared as he sat next to me in Mrs. Dew's English class. Those were happy times.

We know that you will really miss Jesse. He was a treasure to his family. He left you with many memories that will bring happiness to you in the years to come.

God bless you,  
John and Hedwig Hardie

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**John and Hedwig Hardie** - June 09, 2023 at 04:56 PM

JF

“ Little Robert Finn was six years old at the time. Brought home an injured kitty. I called Jesse. In his incredible kindness, he came to the house, took the kitty. She recovered. It was Thanksgiving Day, 1981. He and Holly took care of our babies for 41 years.

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**Jimi fnn** - June 05, 2023 at 12:22 AM

J(

“ So blessed to have known you And reunite to let you know just how much you meant ❤️ Thank you for my brother and all your love and guidance and moral support 😊 You are the best person I know



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**Julie (KIDDER)** - June 04, 2023 at 11:01 PM

KU

“ Kelley Uzzell lit a candle in memory of Dr. Jesse J. Jones, DVM



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**Kelley Uzzell** - May 27, 2023 at 12:06 AM

JD

“ Jessica D. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Dr. Jesse J. Jones, DVM.



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Jessica D. - May 25, 2023 at 12:42 PM

PW

“ Dr Jones was such a wonderful vet and caring man. I started taking my pets to him in 1989 and always considered him "my" vet. Holli, my heart is with you in this journey,

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Patricia Boudreaux White - May 25, 2023 at 12:38 PM



“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Dr. Jesse J. Jones, DVM.



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May 25, 2023 at 11:05 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Dr. Jesse J. Jones, DVM.

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May 25, 2023 at 11:05 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dr. Jesse J. Jones, DVM.*



May 24, 2023 at 10:46 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dr. Jesse J. Jones, DVM.*



May 24, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ *Prayers for the Jones family. He was loved not only by our 4 legged family members but also by the 2 legged member's. He was compassionate and took such wonderful care of our dogs. He chose his clinic family well. He will be missed greatly. God has a great servant for His pets now. 🙏❤️🐾*

**The Hirt family** - May 24, 2023 at 09:19 PM



“ *GCS Fine Arts purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Dr. Jesse J. Jones, DVM.*



**GCS Fine Arts** - May 24, 2023 at 09:00 PM

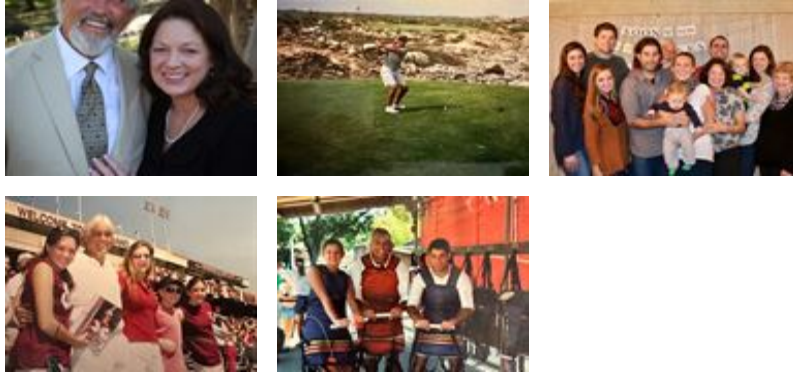
DT

“ We are so very sad to hear of Dr. Jesse’s passing. He was our vet for over 40 years. He was a kind and compassionate doctor to our dachshunds over the years. In addition he was a brilliant vet. After we found Dr J when we moved to Tyler in 1979 we knew we had found the best vet ever. He will be greatly missed. Our hearts and prayers go out to Holli and all of the family.  
Jack and Diane Thompson

Diane Thompson - May 24, 2023 at 03:37 PM



“ 61 files added to the album Life Tributes



Stewart Family Funeral Home - May 24, 2023 at 10:23 AM

NW

“ Norm & Jean Thompson Phil & Misty Weber purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Dr. Jesse J. Jones, DVM.



Norm & Jean Thompson Phil & Misty Weber - May 24, 2023 at 10:08 AM

NW

“ Norm & Jean Thompson Phil & Misty Weber planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dr. Jesse J. Jones, DVM.

Norm & Jean Thompson Phil & Misty Weber - May 24, 2023 at 10:08 AM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Dr. Jesse J. Jones, DVM.



May 23, 2023 at 09:50 AM

PC

“ Jesse and I graduated from John Tyler in 1961. He and older brother, Gene, were both popular, sweet, and very handsome! His reputation as a Vet is both caring and honest!!

Peggy Pratt Cooper - May 21, 2023 at 02:09 PM




“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Dr. Jesse J. Jones, DVM.



May 20, 2023 at 10:37 AM

CR

“ The world lost a good one with Dr. Jones. Our Lab Annabelle LOVED going to see Dr. Jones, or as we called it, “Camp Holli”. Because she equally loves Ms. Holli. This loss will take a while to get over. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the entire Jones family. 

Celia & Tom Ridley - May 19, 2023 at 01:28 PM

PS

My prayers go out to the family mr Jones was amazing person And vet,my thoughts are with ms holli

Penny sanders - May 21, 2023 at 11:51 AM

VO

“ I am saddened to hear of Dr Jones passing. He has been our vet for 32 years. Dr Jones was such a loving and caring man. He always showed great kindness to our pets. He showed compassion to Mike and I when we had to have our pets put down. He has a special place in our hearts and in heaven. Love to you Holli and family. Vicki ONeal

VICKI ONEAL - May 19, 2023 at 11:06 AM

SP

“ Starlett Postelle lit a candle in memory of Dr. Jesse J. Jones, DVM



starlett Postelle - May 18, 2023 at 05:54 PM

SH

“ I'm so saddened to learn of Dr. J's passing. I adore his wife, Holli, and loved their office and they took such great care of the animals and their animal owners. My heart hurts for Holli at this time as I just learned of this. I stopped by their office about a week ago and missed Holli ... Prayers for all - such wonderful people



Sarah Chandler Holcomb - May 18, 2023 at 03:21 PM

MF

“ I was fortunate to find Dr. J and Holli when I moved here from the Dallas area approximately 10 years ago. He took good care of Sadie and Sweet P. Holli and Dr. J made us a part of their family!

Mickey Faust - May 18, 2023 at 01:45 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Dr. Jesse J. Jones, DVM.



May 18, 2023 at 01:40 PM

JM

“ So many hearts have skipped a beat, including our precious pets on the passing of Dr. Jones. He was my grandmother Norma Summers vet and when she passed away he took in her cat and one of the girls adopted it.

Dr Jones and Holli have played a huge role in my life in caring for my precious babies! And just 3 weeks ago did surgery on my JOJO!!! And Holli running and covering me and Jojo to the car during tornado sirens!!!! True dedication!!!! Hugs and love to the family!!!

Jennifer Manley and Jonathan Wilkerson



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Jennifer Manley - May 18, 2023 at 09:15 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dr. Jesse J. Jones, DVM.



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May 17, 2023 at 03:47 PM

 Carrie McFerron

“ Dr. Jones was our vet for 35 years. He knew our pets so well, and cared for them so compassionately.

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Carrie McFerron - May 17, 2023 at 03:18 PM

KH

“ I so hate to hear this. He was truly a good man and a fabulous Vet. Dr. Jones took care of every Lab I have had for the past 40 years. He will be sorely missed. Prayers and thoughts to you Holli and family.

*Kenneth Holley*

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**Kenneth Holley** - May 17, 2023 at 09:34 AM

DM

“ This is so sad. Jesse's skill and compassion as a vet were unequalled. He was truly one of a kind. Thoughts and prayers for his family at this difficult time.

*Dave and Denise Moreland*

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**Dave Moreland** - May 16, 2023 at 01:57 PM

MG

“ I am just sick to see this - besides taking care of my parents' animals, he took care of the dog I never wanted for 17 years.....but, he was a treasured classmate Class of '61 JT. Such a wonderful and caring gentleman- so kind to animals and gracious to every customer. I am so sad for Holli and family as he was a wonderful husband & father. RIP Jesse - we all loved you 🙏

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**Mary Gammell** - May 16, 2023 at 11:50 AM

TG

“ I am so saddened to learn of Dr. Jones’s passing. Green Acres Clinic was my ‘go to’ for grooming and boarding my sweet baby Beatrice Gregory who now sadly is gone  
Wonderful Holli Jones is the dearest sweetest friend to everyone.  
My heart breaks for Holli and their family. Prayers for the family and the staff at the clinic  
Tom Gregory

Tom Gregory - May 16, 2023 at 06:10 AM



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May 15, 2023 at 10:38 PM

SB

“ Oh my. I am so sorry to hear of Dr. Jones’ Passing. What a wonderful vet he was to my family for many years. Our condolences.

susan bradley - May 15, 2023 at 10:22 PM

AT

“ Sooo sad to hear this. He was such a inspiration in my life. As many others. I’m still in shock. There’s a hole in my heart forever for Dr j. Prayers for the family and many people who loved him as I did. 💔

Angie Thompson - May 15, 2023 at 06:27 PM

SP

“ What a beautiful soul he had..💔 he was a wonderful man loved by many.. A blessing to so many people and a wonderful veterinarian..Lots of prayers for the kids so sorry for y'all's loss....he will truly be missed..

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**starlett Postelle** - May 15, 2023 at 12:32 PM