



## Stewart Jones

February 14, 1923 - April 8, 2011

Services for Stewart D. Jones, 88, of Tyler will be held on Wednesday, April 13, 2011 at 11:00 AM in the chapel of Stewart Family Funeral Home with Dr. John H. Beard, Dr. Darryle Dunks, and Dr. Tom Robuck officiating. Burial will follow at Cathedral in the Pines Cemetery under the direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home.

Mr. Jones passed away on April 8, 2011 in Tyler. He was born February 14, 1923 in Batesville, Arkansas to the late Sam and Troni Lee Jones. He joined the Air Force in 1942, where he served in the Pacific with the 48th Bombardment Squadron on B-25 bombers. He served in the Gilbert Island Campaign, and the Marshall Islands, and then fought in Okinawa and Japan at the end of the war. After the war, Mr. Jones attended Tyler Junior College. He married Virginia Sue Ham on November 10, 1946 in Tyler and they are the parents of two children. Mr. Jones was co-owner of Tyler Piano and Organ Company for 56 years. He sold the first electronic organ in East Texas and organized the first Baldwin Organ club in East Texas. He served on the board of Community Concerts and Psalmist Ministries. In 1981, he received the Baldwin Key Performance award. Mr. Jones was ordained as a deacon at Calvary Baptist Church in 1963 and was a charter member of Colonial Hills Baptist Church. He was currently a member of Green Acres Baptist Church and a member of the Friendship Sunday School Class. He was presented the Light of the World award in 1999 from Green Acres Baptist Church. In addition to his parents, Mr. Jones was preceded in death by his sister, Norma Plunk. He is

survived by a loving family including his wife of 64 years, Virginia Jones of Tyler; daughters, Deborah Ann Altadonna and husband, Tommy, Elizabeth Sue (Libby) Robuck and husband, Dr. Thomas Robuck; grandson, Christopher Robuck of Kilgore; siblings, Mary Francis Burrus of Tyler, Nina Jean Hallford of Tulsa, Oklahoma, Jeff Jones and wife, Mary Ann of Coppell, S. C. Jones and wife, Mary Helen of Tyler, James Jones and wife, Kay of Monroe, Louisiana and Robert Jones and wife, Fran of Phoenix, Arizona.

Pallbearers will be Scott Jones, Scott Ham, Chris Robuck, Allen Smith, Milton Jones, and Eb Hall. Honorary pallbearers will be Red Prior, Don Cooper, Jerry Smith, Ed Muehlhouse, Don Hill, and John Childs.

Visitation is scheduled for Wednesday, April 13, 2011 at 10:00 AM, one hour prior to the service, at Stewart Family Funeral Home, 7525 Old Jacksonville Highway, in Tyler.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *I regret that I have not seen Uncle Stewart in a long time. I came to Tyler to see my Mother 3 weeks ago. I wished I would have got to see him. My heart goes out to all of you and I hope that you are celebrating the good times you had with Uncle Stewart.*

*Love,  
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**Clay Smith** - April 08, 2011 at 12:00 AM