



## Walter Jones Jr.

October 9, 1933 - March 14, 2019

Graveside services for Walter M. Jones, Jr., 85, of Gilmer will be held at 10:00 AM, Tuesday, March 19, 2019 at Enoch Cemetery with Mike Jones officiating. No formal visitation will be held. Arrangements are under the direction of McWhorter Funeral Home. Walter was born October 9, 1933, to Walter Martin Jones, Sr. and Jewel Onieda Britt Jones and passed from this life March 14, 2019 at his home. He was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. He was retired Command Sergeant Major and fulltime technician/soldier of the Army National Guard after 42 years of service. Walter married Barbara Ann Ramsey Jones, June 1, 1973 in Durant, Oklahoma.

Those left to cherish his memory are his wife, Barbara Jones; sons and daughters-in-laws, Mike & Terry Jones, Danny & Cherie Jones, Rick & Melody Jones, Michael Lawrence, Larry & Nancy Lawrence; daughters and sons-in-laws, Debbie & Alan Wade and Tina Smith; brothers, Charles Jones and Gene Jones; sister, Jane Gravitt; 29 grandchildren, 18 great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Please visit Walter's on-line registration book at [www.mcwhorterfh.com](http://www.mcwhorterfh.com) to leave a memory for the family.

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# Comments

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“ A tribute video has been added.



**McWhorter Funeral Home** - March 16, 2019 at 03:51 PM

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“ Was the sweetest Man who always greeted you with a hug and a kiss on the cheek...great memories of Walt...

**Brenda Hawkins Termin** - March 19, 2019 at 10:11 AM

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“ Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Walter Jones Jr..



March 19, 2019 at 09:37 AM

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“ Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Walter Jones Jr..



March 18, 2019 at 08:34 PM

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“ White Sympathy Standing Baskets was purchased for the family of Walter Jones Jr..



March 17, 2019 at 02:31 PM

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“ 2 files added to the album LifeTributes



McWhorter Funeral Home - March 17, 2019 at 01:58 PM

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“ So many fond memories of Walt and "our gang" during those early days on Young Street. Walt was the natural leader of our ragged group of youngsters after WW2 in the late forties. Some of the family will no doubt have seen the classic photo of the entire group posing in the ditch in front of my grandparent's house - which was next door to Walt's and Charles' and Gene's and Jane's parent's house. As noted by Jason, Walt was very generous in sharing copies of photos from times past, in our case usually accompanying a seasonal greeting card. Those pictures always evoked a special time and place in our lives.

Walt and I worked at Piggly Wiggly together for a time in the early fifties - just kids trying to earn some spending money and get some ideas about our direction for the future. We each established a charge account at a local men's clothing store - Bradbury/Graner - where we could buy some nice clothing items and pay for them over time thus beginning to build a personal credit rating.

There was a time in those early days when Walt acquired a BSA motorcycle. I recall some exciting and sometimes scary rides on the back as Walt would test the bike's limits. Once, my shoe sole almost caught fire from my resting it on the muffler - no damage to my foot but we both got a big laugh as we examined the partially melted gum rubber sole.

Walt and Charles were both special cherished friends in those early times and thereafter even though we eventually went our own ways. I will always remember Walt and those good times. May God bless Barbara, Chuck, Gene and Jane and all of the extended family and give each of you strength and comfort as you celebrate his life and his eternal resting place in heaven.

Love and heartfelt condolences,

Eugene and Doll Davis

Eugene Davis - March 17, 2019 at 09:58 AM

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“ 41 files added to the album LifeTributes



McWhorter Funeral Home - March 17, 2019 at 09:42 AM

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“ Sorry to hear of Walter passing. He always had a quick smile and a soft hello. We will miss him.

Mickyandvirginia Denton - March 16, 2019 at 09:38 PM

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“ Dish Garden with Fresh Cut Flowers was purchased for the family of Walter Jones Jr..



March 16, 2019 at 08:02 PM

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“ 98 files added to the album LifeTributes



McWhorter Funeral Home - March 16, 2019 at 02:37 PM

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“ Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Walter Jones Jr..



March 16, 2019 at 01:22 AM

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“ Walt was my big brother for many years. He protected me when bullies chased and made me laugh to reassure me. We will miss him.

**Sharon Ziegler** - March 15, 2019 at 11:44 PM

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“ With loving memories of cousin Walter Jr  
You have your golden wings and now with my mother Pauline and Dad Thomas and  
Mama and Daddy Britt love hugs and prayers to Barbara , Gene , and Jane and your  
entire family !



**Delores and Thomas Roberts** - March 15, 2019 at 09:11 PM



“ Love hugs and Prayers to Charles as well

**Delores and Thomas Roberts** - March 15, 2019 at 09:46 PM

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“ Any time we went to grandpas house as kids was always an adventure. Playing on the stairs, looking at all of the old photos and military equipment, and of course, fishing. Of the many memories I have, my favorites are when I went on two father-son campouts with Grandpa Jones there with us. Canoeing and fishing through Oklahoma and Arkansas with the Jones sons and grandsons, was everything I could ask for at maybe 14 years old if I remember correctly. Dad and I were always the last to reach the day's end because we were always fishing the most. Every time we would catch up to everyone else, grandpa would be laying there in the rocks by the boat just kicked back and relaxed. Then after everyone else called it a day, we would still be fishing, or exploring the trails.

I'll always cherish the stories and the jokes, the laughter and the adventures. And who could forget when Grandpa told Jacob to leave those armadillos alone, only for the armadillo to chase that poor boy through the camp. Grandpa (and all of us) laughed til we cried.

No one has ever put more thought in to birthday or holiday cards as Grandpa. You never just received a card see, it was always a card, maybe two cards taped together, with an entire sticker book of stickers on the envelope, and 5 family photos inside with full descriptions and stories of each photo. I always knew who THAT birthday card was from because it was always an inch thicker than the rest. Grandpa never failed to let everyone know how special they were, and how much they meant to him, and to the family. We will always love him, and he will be remembered on as each Jones tells his stories (and adds ten minutes and a little embellishing here and there with each telling) for generations to come. He's the reason for so much in our family, and gatherings just won't be the same without that shiny smiling bald Jones head there to tie it all together. We love ya grandpa. Until we meet again.

Your grandson- Jason.



Jason Jones - March 15, 2019 at 06:46 PM



“ Best next door neighbor we could have ever had on Allen Street. Could mow their yard faster than you could believe. Said he was "thinking about that couch and air conditioning the whole time". Minded his own business, but you knew he was there if needed. Always had a good Army story when he slowed down long enough to visit. Walt could tell some amazing stories and left me laughing at funny experiences "during maneuvers" with rookie soldiers. He would say "the only thing they knew for sure was they were to get three meals a day and at what time". Another favorite was to have one of those choppers come in and hover low overhead while firing a 50 cal..... the empty casings would rain down and scare the rookies into a stampede. All joking aside, you could tell he was concerned and loved this country and the people, just enjoyed a little entertainment.

Walt, thank you for you service, wisdom, concern, and easy going personality always, you are missed by all that knew you, Rex and the Cly family



“ Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Walter Jones Jr..



March 15, 2019 at 06:40 PM