



## Velma Jo Jones

October 29, 1940 - June 23, 2024

Funeral Service for Velma Jo Jones, 83, of Gilmer, Texas will be held at 4:00 pm, Wednesday, June 26, 2024, at Latch Baptist Church with Brother Leon Ross officiating. Interment to follow at Sunset Memorial Park. The family will receive friends at 3:00 pm prior to the service. Arrangements are under the direction of McWhorter Funeral Home.

Jo was born October 29, 1940, in Hope, Arkansas to Jack Ball Reese and Oda Belle Gardner Reese and passed from this life June 23, 2024, in Gilmer, Texas.

Jo married Cleon Jones in 1958. She worked as a seamstress for many years making window treatments for clients throughout East Texas. Jo was a member of Latch Baptist Church.

Those left to cherish her memory are her daughter, Leslie Fitzgerald; sisters, Jan Peek and Mary Musick; brother, Larry Reese; grandchildren, Robby Hawkins, Kirbie Ellison (Matt), Timberly Hawkins (Mark), and Ana Fitzgerald; great-grandchildren, Nathan Ellison, Isla Ellison, August Ellison, and Faren Hawkins.

She is preceded in death by her parents; husband, Cleon Jones in 2011; daughter, Debbie Hunter in 1977; son, Narvel Cleon Jones Jr. in 1974; grandson, Casey Jones in 1996; sister, Mae Tabor; brothers, Billy Jack Reese, Homer Reese, Alford Reese, and Harold Reese.

Pallbearers will be the Men of Latch Baptist Church.

Please visit Jo's online registration book at [www.mcwhorterfh.com](http://www.mcwhorterfh.com) to leave a

memory for the family.

# Cemetery Details

## Sunset Memorial Park

1582 US Hwy 271 S  
Gilmer, TX 75645

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN **26**. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Latch Baptist Church  
1050 Box Oak Rd  
Gilmer, TX 75644

## Service

JUN **26**. 4:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

MW

“ Just now hearing of Jo’s passing. So sorry to hear of your loss, Leslie. We have many good memories of both Jo and Cleon and always enjoyed visiting with them.  
Cousin Mike and Betty Williams

Mike and Betty Williams - December 20, 2024 at 12:25 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Velma Jo Jones Funeral Service



McWhorter Funeral Home - June 26, 2024 at 07:54 PM

DB

“ Heartfelt condolences to the family. So sorry for your loss. She will be missed by so may. Keeping the family in my prayers.



Darlene Barber - June 26, 2024 at 11:51 AM

CJ

“ Jo was a good friend and neighbor to many. She has known a lot of tragedy and heartache on earth but continued to persevere and go forward. She’s an inspiring example of being courageous and faithful.  
My prayers are with Leslie and all her family. Charles Johnson

Charles Johnson - June 26, 2024 at 11:15 AM



“ 2 files added to the album Life Tributes



McWhorter Funeral Home - June 26, 2024 at 09:59 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Velma Jo Jones.



June 26, 2024 at 09:30 AM



“ Keith, Shirley, Alan, Nicki, Bear Johnston purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Velma Jo Jones.



Keith, Shirley, Alan, Nicki, Bear Johnston - June 25, 2024 at 07:56 PM



“ Keith, Shirley, Alan, Nicki, Bear Johnston planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Velma Jo Jones.

Keith, Shirley, Alan, Nicki, Bear Johnston - June 25, 2024 at 07:56 PM



“ 95 files added to the album Life Tributes



McWhorter Funeral Home - June 25, 2024 at 05:22 PM



“ Such a sweet person. I've known her and her family for many years. Our prayers are with her family during this time of sadness. But we know she's with her loved ones now that have passed away and have gone to Heaven. May God comfort your Hearts.  
Jimmie and Jan Cross

Jimmie Cross - June 25, 2024 at 10:36 AM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Velma Jo Jones.



June 25, 2024 at 09:47 AM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Velma Jo Jones.*



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June 25, 2024 at 09:26 AM



“ *Kathy McQueen planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Velma Jo Jones.*

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**Kathy McQueen** - June 25, 2024 at 09:26 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Velma Jo Jones.*



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June 25, 2024 at 09:20 AM



“ *Sharon Provost planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Velma Jo Jones.*

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**Sharon Provost** - June 25, 2024 at 01:32 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Velma Jo Jones.*



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June 25, 2024 at 01:32 AM

FB

“ *From The Boggs purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Velma Jo Jones.*



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**From The Boggs** - June 24, 2024 at 10:30 PM

TC

“ *The Hardin Ebenezer Camp purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Velma Jo Jones.*



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**The Hardin Ebenezer Camp** - June 24, 2024 at 07:46 PM