



Mr. James Jones

December 7, 1935 - December 30, 2025

With heavy hearts, we announce the passing of James Ellis Jones (Jimmy) on December 30, 2025. Jimmy was born on December 7, 1935 (90 yrs), to the late Joseph Thomas Jones and Gladys Jones in Greenville, NC.

He attended High Smith Public School and would later earn a living as a farm worker. He later met and married Edna Heath. Their marriage produced one son, James E. Jones, Jr. (deceased). He left North Carolina to experience life in various parts of the country. He later settled in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where he worked in construction and other jobs. After some years, and life experiences, he moved back to his hometown of Greenville, NC. He spent time using his law skills and knowledge to help those in need. He would often read his law books to stay informed. Jimmy loved to tell stories of his life and adventures. He was a strong believer in the family. He could tell you who, what, when and where, regarding information pertaining to family history. He was an avid listener of black radio; he was considered a good conversationalist and shared his knowledge and many talents. He enjoyed playing his guitar and other musical instruments. He would also give us a little tap dance show. There was always a lot of joy and laughter when you were with him. He thought he knew everything about everything..... He was quite the entertainer.

He was preceded in death by his four (4) brothers, Robert Melvin Jones, Spencer Earl Jones, Joseph Thomas Jones, Jr., and Walter Columbus "Taboo" Jones; two (2) sister, Annie Marie Jones, and Ernestine Woods; one

(1) son, James Jones, Jr. He leaves to cherish his memories, one (1) sister Evelyn Outlaw, a host of nieces, nephews, as well as other family members and friends. Jimmy leaves behind a legacy of love, family, and knowledge, which will live on in all of us. He will be sorely missed and forever remembered.

Called Away

Our dear one was called away,
And has gone with the Lord to stay.
Although this passing makes us weep.
We rejoice our loved one rests safe in God's Keep.
by Kelly Roper

Tribute Wall

RW

“ Uncle Jimmy gave me my first instrument. It was a red white and blue acoustic guitar. I don't know how to play a lick but I sure would try lol. He was always so animated and full Of life. He knew everyone. There was nowhere you could go and someone wasn't calling out his name or giving him some money lol Rest well uncle Jimmy.

Roger Watson - January 13 at 10:51 AM

JJ

“ I have such fond memories of spending time with Uncle Jimmy when he lived with my grandma. As a kid, I'd go out of my way just to visit him because his stories were legendary—he was always so animated and full of life when he told them. Uncle Jimmy will be deeply missed. I truly regret losing touch over the years. I love you, Uncle Jimmy!”



Julius Jones - January 11 at 09:19 PM



“ Hope Wilkerson lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Jones



Hope Wilkerson - January 11 at 08:14 AM



“ *Uncle Jimmy aka Dr J. you will Truly be missed never forgotten. I will cherish the memeories of you all of my days. 💔😭 Hope Wilkerson and Family*



Hope Wilkerson - January 10 at 05:34 PM

CN

“ *Celebrating today, the remarkable life of my favorite uncle James Jones a man whose 90 years on this earth was not just live, but it was beautifully narrated. He had the gift of telling great stories to the family, I could always remember the days he will always be at the house with us and he will come, and he will give us money and back then it was nickels and dimes and we thank him for the nickels and dimes. I can remember the Saturday mornings he will come over to the house and you could be in the bedroom sleep but as soon as he come in come in the door you will hear his voice I would jump up out the bed and go running in the living room because uncle Jimmy was here I was so happy that he was there. In his later years he moved back to North Carolina while we were still here in Philadelphia, but he always kept in touch with everybody in the family. He will call you on the phone and once you answered the first thing he would say is doctor J, what's going on up there in that camp. Uncle Jimmy will be greatly missed and I will never forget him may he rest in peace. Best uncle ever..*



Chery Green (niece) - January 10 at 02:03 PM

EG

“ I will truly miss my friend. Wasn't able to see him but was able to talk to him and get some laughs. Evelyn and I will keep your memories alive when ever we talk cause you will come up in the conversation. RIP JIM JONES. You lived a good life.

ELLEN M GIBSON - January 10 at 09:46 AM

JS

“ Micheal and Tony, sorry for the loss of your uncle. May he rest in peace.

Jennifer Sauls - January 09 at 09:16 PM

BJ

“ James E. Jones (Uncle Jimmy)

I first met him at the age of twelve when we first moved to Philadelphia. This was also my first time living in a BIG city. He made sure we were safe, had a place to live, and food to eat. He taught us how to manage various life situations. He always knew what to say, and he never hesitated to show up when it mattered most. We felt truly fortunate to have him as our uncle and the big brother to our mother (Evelyn). Uncle Jimmy was a great blessing to the entire family. I still remember many of the funny stories he would tell us. He kept us entertained and laughing. There was Never a dull moment with him. His life was not always easy, but he always managed to overcome adversity and move forward. I clearly remember him often saying “I will be here to end of the year”. He was one day short. I am forever grateful for the guidance, encouragement, and love he gave so freely. Though you are gone, your memory will always remain with us.

*Love always
Brenda*



Brenda Jones - January 09 at 02:31 PM

KP

“ Kay Peele lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Jones



Kay Peele - January 09 at 10:22 AM

CS

“ *Cecily Sene lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Jones*



Cecily Sene - January 05 at 09:33 PM

EH

“ *My Thoughts And Prayers Are With The Family*



Evangelist Gwen Hudson - January 05 at 09:44 AM

CS

“ *Congleton Funeral Home and Staff wishes to express our sincere condolences on the passing of your love one. We light this candle in their memory.*



Congleton Funeral Home and Staff - January 04 at 02:05 PM