



## Mr. Howard Othan Jones

July 21, 1931 - July 26, 2018

Howard Othan Jones, 87, a resident of Tallahassee, peacefully passed into the loving arms of Jesus on Thursday, July 26, 2018, at home, while surrounded by his loving family. A son of the late Russell Twitty Jones and Zona Owens Jones, he was born at home in Grady County, Georgia on July 21, 1931. Also preceding him in death is his loving wife of 45 years, Marlene Jane Holweger Jones; son, Buddy Jones; brothers, Sam Jones, James Jones and Russell T. Jones, Jr.; and sisters, Betty Costello, Mae Hart, Carlene Jenkins and Patricia Dempsey.

In 1970, while in North Dakota, he, along with his children, Sue, Naomi, Gloria, Sonny and Buddy, met Marlene Jane Holweger Foley, and her children, Jody, Jeff, Dave, Cindy and Debbie. Howard and Marlene married in 1971 and moved to Tallahassee with their family. He was also a believer in Christ and lived a Christian life.

He retired after 20 faithful years of serving his country in the United States Air Force. Following his military retirement, he worked for 30 years and retired from the United States Postal Service as a Route and Carrier Supervisor in Tallahassee. During this time, he earned two degrees from FSU. He was also Past Governor and earned his Fellowship and Pilgram Degree from the Loyal Order of the Moose, Tallahassee #1075.

He is survived by his children, Sue Jackson (Mark), Naomi Smith (Albert), Gloria Hurley, Sonny Jones (Karen), Debbie Foley, Dave B. Foley, Cindy Foley Gibson, Jeff Foley and Jody Foley Henderson (Vernon); numerous grandchildren, including the three that they raised in their home, Davey Foley, Holly Foley and Tia Gibson; and numerous great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews and cousins; and his brother, O.C Jones.

The family will receive friends from 5:30 until 7:00 PM, Monday, July 30, 2018, at Abbey Funeral Home. The funeral is 2:00 PM, Tuesday, July 31, 2018, at Abbey Funeral Home, with interment following at Tallahassee Memory Gardens. Memorial donations can be made to Big Bend Hospice. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.abbeyfh.com](http://www.abbeyfh.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Tallahassee Memory Gardens

4037 North Monroe Street  
Tallahassee, FL 32303  
(850) 562-1518  
<https://www.abbeyfh.com/>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JUL 30.** 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Abbey Funeral Home  
4037 North Monroe Street  
Tallahassee, FL 32303  
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[abbeyfh@comcast.net](mailto:abbeyfh@comcast.net)

## Service

**JUL 31.** 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Chic Mixed Plant Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Howard Othan Jones.*



July 30, 2018 at 07:46 PM



“ *O.C. and Family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Mr. Howard Othan Jones.*



**O.C. and Family** - July 30, 2018 at 11:29 AM



“ *I will always remember so fondly, how each summer when Uncle Howard and family came to MN and ND how we would enjoy the music my dad David Schulz and uncle Howard would play for us to enjoy. Love and Prayers Dianne (Schulz) Vold*



**Dianne Vold** - July 30, 2018 at 11:25 AM



“ 69 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



**Abbey Funeral Home and Tallahassee Memory Gardens** - July 30, 2018 at 09:31 AM



“ *Clarice Woodard & Willie purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Mr. Howard Othan Jones.*



**Clarice Woodard & Willie** - July 28, 2018 at 08:51 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Howard Othan Jones.*



July 28, 2018 at 09:48 AM

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“ *Such a sweet man! He was our Stepdad, but he never treated us differently than he did his own children. I remember long trips back and forth from NC to Ga, Fla to Ga and always when we arrived home, he would always make us scrambled egg sandwiches. They were always so good! He loved to make us sugar cookies from scratch and we always enjoyed them. I remember we always teased him because he chewed his food for so long when we had meals, he just laughed and kept achewing. LOL He was very special and we loved him and he will be sorely missed. A special thanks to Jody Henderson for loving him and taking such good care of him!*

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**Naomi Smith** - July 27, 2018 at 09:04 PM