



## T R Jones

June 9, 1918 - July 29, 2018

T R Jones, 100, of Mentone, IN, went to be with his Heavenly Father on Sunday, July 29, 2018 after a brief illness. He leaves behind his wife of 65 years, Louise Decker Jones; his sons Jim Jones (Teresa), Kent Jones (Kandi) and his daughter Lee Ann Jones Lamb (Jim Lamb); seven grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Born Sunday, June 9, 1918, in Calloway County, Kentucky, to James Washington Jones and Lee Douglass Jones, T R had two brothers and five sisters, all of whom preceded him in death.

T R served as a medic during World War II in the 220th Medical Battalion, 20th Armored Division, United States Army. He volunteered as a conscientious objector and, in his words, “went to war with a Bible instead of a gun.” While stationed in Germany, France and Belgium, he often organized Bible studies with his fellow soldiers.

After first meeting Louise at a church service in Murray, Kentucky, T R was deployed overseas. Five years later, while students at Murray State College, they ran into each other in the library. They were married in 1953.

After graduating Freed-Hardeman College, Henderson, Tennessee and Murray State College, Murray, Kentucky, he served for 50 years as a minister

in churches of Christ throughout Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky, Michigan and Tennessee. T R recently preached at Mentone Church of Christ, where he and Louise lived until his illness. Throughout his early ministry career, he also taught school in several communities.

Loved by his family, friends and community, T R was always glad to answer a Bible question, tell a joke, or play a game of checkers. He also played the guitar, something he enjoyed doing at family gatherings with his son, Jim, and grandson, Jesse.

Until a few years ago, he kept a large garden, and this year had been growing tomatoes.

In June, family and friends from across the country joined T R to celebrate his 100th birthday. In a sermon he delivered that day, he said, "Just as Jesus lived only 33 years on the Earth, it is what we do in our time here, not how long we are here that matters." In his long life, T R served God and loved his family.

The funeral service will take place at 2:00 pm, Saturday, August 4, 2018 in the Mentone Church of Christ 110 N. Broadway Street Mentone, Ind. with Speaker David Mangum officiating. Burial will take place in the Mentone Cemetery following the funeral service. Visitation will be prior to the service starting at 1 pm also at the church.

The arrangements have been entrusted to King Memorial Home 101 North Tucker Street Mentone, Indiana.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Shults-Lewis Child and Family Services P.O. Box 471, Valparaiso, Indiana 46384.

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# Cemetery Details

## Mentone Cemetery

Morgan St Jefferson Street  
Mentone, IN 46539

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**AUG 4.** 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Mentone Church of Christ  
110 N. Broadway Street  
Mentone, IN 46539

## Funeral Service

**AUG 4.** 2:00 PM (ET)

Mentone Church of Christ  
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# Tribute Wall

AS

“ *What a beautiful and kind family! Listening to all of the accomplishments of T.R really touched my heart. Seeing the smile he put on faces, and the effect his love and life has had on others is truly heart warming. I spent such a short time with him but he is someone I would want to model after. A family person, selfless and conscious of his spiritual need as well as the spiritual need of others. Love and prayers towards the entire family!*

Ashley - August 03, 2018 at 02:14 PM

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*Thank you Ashley. We're you one of dad's nurses?*

Lee Ann Lamb - August 08, 2018 at 10:37 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of T R Jones.*



August 03, 2018 at 10:18 AM

ZD

“ Uncle T.R. was kind and loving, you could hear it in his voice when he spoke to you. He loved Jesus. He exhibited this in his Christian walk. Two of my favorite things are cd's of the Jones reunion; and photos, and videos of his 100 year birthday: Louise, and your 65 wedding anniversary; that I was blessed to attend. He gave his testimony about Jesus, sang the old red rooster, with sound effects, played guitar and everyone sang. There was nothing more appropriate to sing than :when peace like a river attenders my way, it is well with my soul.  
Love to you all, Valerie

Zara Valerie Driggers - August 03, 2018 at 09:01 AM

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Thank you, Valerie for honoring my dad with these memories of him. Thank you for sharing in his 100th birthday.

Lee Ann Lamb - August 03, 2018 at 04:14 PM

JD

“ Uncle TR always displayed, and modeled the joy all Christians should have in life by sharing Christ and being able to laugh at himself, and tell a good joke. He had purpose in life and performed to to the end by finishing well.  
John Durr

John Roy Durr - August 02, 2018 at 02:51 PM

LL

Thank you John, for coming to his 100th and sharing the celebration with him. It meant so much to him to see you and your siblings and family.

Lee Ann Lamb - August 02, 2018 at 09:33 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of T R Jones.*



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August 02, 2018 at 11:57 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of T R Jones.*



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August 01, 2018 at 11:01 AM



“ *Jim, Teresa, and Lee Ann, it's always hard to let a parent leave us, but there is the sweet knowledge that it is only for a while, and then we have an eternity with them and a loving, faithful, creative Father. I'm glad that your dad had such a long time to love and serve here. Our thoughts and prayers are with you, your mom, and the rest of your family in this time.*

*Alan and Joyce Welch*

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**Alan Welch** - August 01, 2018 at 09:51 AM



*Thanks Alan, it means a lot to us that you took the time to offer us words of comfort.*

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**Lee Ann Lamb** - August 02, 2018 at 10:09 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of T R Jones.



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July 31, 2018 at 09:43 PM