

ST. ANDREW'S
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
BEAUMONT, TEXAS

Service of Witness to the Resurrection for

John Winfield "Johnny" Jones

March 9, 1929 - November 26, 2019

A SERVICE OF WORSHIP

IN WITNESS TO THE RESURRECTION OF CHRIST
With Praise and Thanks to Almighty God
for the Life of

JOHN WINFIELD "JOHNNY" JONES

March 9, 1929 - November 26, 2019

ORDER OF WORSHIP 11:00 a.m. | December 5, 2019

*Please stand in body or spirit.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

We are gathered here to praise God, to witness to our faith, and to give thanks for the life of John Winfield "Johnny" Jones. We come together in grief, acknowledging our loss.

May God grant us grace that in pain – we may find comfort, in sorrow – hope, and in death – resurrection.

Dying, Christ destroyed our death. Rising, Christ restores our life. Johnny, being created in the image of God remains God's child forever.

Let us worship God!

*HYMN 625

How Great Thou Art

PASTORAL PRAYER

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

O God, who gave us birth, you are ever more ready to hear than we are to pray. You know our needs before we ask. Show us now your grace, that as we face the mystery of death we may see the light of serenity. Speak to us once more your solemn message of life and of death. Help us to live as those who are prepared to die. When our days here are ended, enable us to die as those who go forth to live, so that living or dying, our life may be in Jesus Christ our risen Lord. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Romans 8:34,

2 Corinthians 5:17

Hear the good news! Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. **Amen.**

REMEMBRANCES

Allen Arnold

PRAYER FOR COMFORT AND ILLUMINATION

PSALM READING

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Romans 8:35, 37-39

GOSPEL READING

John 14:1-3

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH "Apostles' Creed"

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty, from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

MUSIC 39 Great is Thy Faithfulness

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

PRAYER OF COMMENDATION

Gracious God, by your power you gave us life, and in your love, you are giving us new life in Jesus Christ. We entrust Johnny to your safe keeping, in the faith of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who died and rose again to save us, and to bring us all to a joyful resurrection and the glory of your eternal kingdom.

Now may the God of peace, who brought from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great Shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, make you complete in everything good so that you may do his will, working among us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.

And the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be and abide with you always. Amen.

Leading Worship

Julie Odle, CRE, Pastoral Associate Jerome Wells, Organist



John Winfield "Johnny" Jones, 90, died on November 26, 2019 at Christus Hospital – St. Elizabeth. He was born in Memphis, Tennessee, on March 9, 1929 to Beulah Portier and Edward Jones. After a short stay, he moved to Beaumont for the rest of his life.

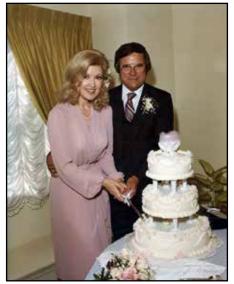
Johnny was a graduate of St. Anthony's High School and went on to Lamar University, where he earned a Bachelor of Business Administration and Accounting in 1978. He worked at the Texas Highway Department and retired with thirty-nine years of service. He started out as an accounting clerk and

worked his way up to be Chief Accountant and Supervisor of Auditing. Johnny was an avid Dallas Cowboys fan for many years. Johnny was a wonderful husband, father, and grandfather.

He is survived by his beloved wife, Gale Jones, of Beaumont; daughter, Cindy Deering and her husband, Robert, of Taos, New Mexico; son, Kenneth Jones and his wife, Mary, of Pineville, Louisiana; step-son, Allen Arnold and his wife, Kellye, of Colorado Springs, Colorado; step-daughter, Amy Hudgens and her husband, Dan of Richmond, Virginia; eight grandchildren, Kendall Hudgens, Caroline Hudgens, Hope Arnold, Greyson Arnold, Chase Arnold, Jennifer Jones, Toby Jones, and Wayne Jones; one great-grandchild; nieces, Meredith and her husband, Johnny, Kelsey and her husband, Brad; nephew, Scott; many other nieces and nephews; and sisters-in-law, Bonnie Downen and her husband, Dick and Carol Byrd.

He is preceded in death by his mother and father; two sons; and two brothers.





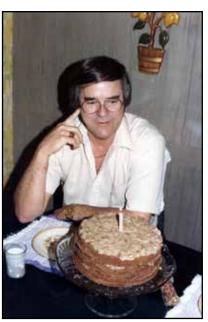


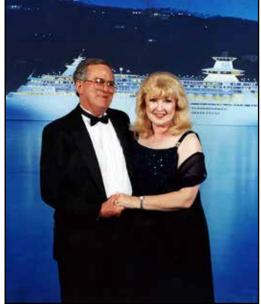




























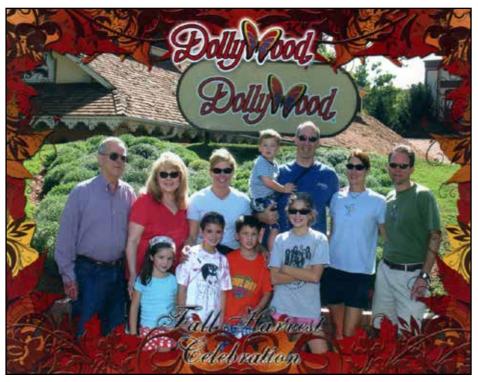
















Pallbearers

Chase Arnold Allen Arnold Dan Hudgens Greyson Arnold

Interment

Forest Lawn Memorial Park Beaumont, Texas

Memorial Contributions

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church 1350 North 23rd Street Beaumont, Texas 77706

