



## James William Jones, Jr. PhD

September 2, 1947 - September 18, 2023

James Williams Jones, Jr. PhD, 76, beloved husband of Norma Elizabeth Burns Jones, passed away suddenly at his residence in the early morning hours of Monday, September 18, 2023.

Born in Travelers Rest, SC on September 2, 1947, he was the son of the late James William and Margaret Thalia Batson Jones, Sr. Jimmy was a 1965 graduate of Travelers Rest High School. He earned his bachelor's degree in science from Clemson University and went on to earn his PhD in Engineering from Clemson University in 1973. Jimmy was a retired project manager with Duke Energy having worked with them for 25 years. He was a member of Clearview Baptist Church. He was also a member of the Travelers Rest Historical Society and Vice-President of the Board of Director for Wyndham Resort Ocean Blvd, North Myrtle Beach. He was a train enthusiast who traveled to numerous cities and states in research of trains and their history.

In addition to his wife of 53 years he is survived by a daughter, Emily Elizabeth Jones of Travelers Rest; a brother and sister-in-law, Rudy and Doris Jones of Greenville, a brother-in-law and sister-in law, John B. "Skipper" and Debbie Burns, Jr. of Travelers Rest and granddogs, Precious & Weezer.

Funeral services will be conducted on Thursday, September 21, 2023 at 2:00pm. at Clearview Baptist Church with the Rev. Michael Welch and Rev.

Jim Cashwell officiating. Interment will follow in Mountain View Memorial Park, 7 Duncan Road, Travelers Rest, SC 29690.

The family will receive friends from 12:30pm until 2:00p.m. at the church.

Memorials may be made to Clearview Baptist Church, 5611 State Park Road, Travelers Rest, SC 29690 or to Reedy River Baptist Church 871 N. Bypass 25, Travelers Rest, SC 29690.

# Cemetery Details

## Mountain View Memorial Park

7 Duncan Rd  
Travelers Rest, SC 29690  
(864) 834-3184

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 21. 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Clearview Baptist Church  
5611 State Park Rd.  
Travelers Rest, SC

## Church Service

SEP 21. 2:00 PM (ET)

Clearview Baptist Church  
5611 State Park Rd.  
Travelers Rest, SC

# Tribute Wall

NL

“ *Norma, Emily and family:*

*Our sincere condolences on your loss.*

*Jimmy was a special person. He and Norma were our wonderful neighbors in Belmont for over 20 years. Norma and Jeanette walked every morning for about 17 years.*

*He always was ready to lend a hand on a project beyond my abilities in the house or yard and he had a great sense of humor.*

*We still have the stool he built in appreciation for spending some time at our Mountain Chalet at Beech.*

*He will be missed but never forgotten.*

*Love,*

*Norm & Jeanette LaVriha*

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**Norm LaVriha** - September 23, 2023 at 12:19 PM

NJ

*Thank you. We were so happy you were our neighbors and we did life together on Belwood.*

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**norma jones** - October 01, 2023 at 04:13 PM

PG

“ *Norma, Rudy and Jones Family*

*So sorry to hear about Jimmy. You are in our thoughts and prayers.*



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**Preston and Ann Golightly** - September 22, 2023 at 12:10 PM

LT

“ *I worked in the same group with Jimmy for several years. I was always impressed by his intelligence, his sense of humor, and his dedication to his church, his family and his work. My condolences to his family.*

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**Lee Tatum** - September 21, 2023 at 10:51 PM

EJ

*Thanks Lee, how kind of you! He thought a lot of you as well! Thank you for thinking of us! -His daughter Emily Jones*

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**emily jones** - September 22, 2023 at 04:12 PM

NJ

*Those were good days at Duke.*

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**norma jones** - October 01, 2023 at 04:14 PM

GW

“ *Jimmy was such a special person. Know him was a blessing in my life! Gale Werner*

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**Gale Werner** - September 21, 2023 at 09:51 AM

AW

“ Ann W. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James William Jones, Jr. PhD.

Ann W. - September 20, 2023 at 03:50 PM

JD

“ god call a great man home we will miss james what a blessing to know and call james a friend .and one we will meet again praying for the family love ken and jane durham

james DURHAM - September 19, 2023 at 04:31 PM

C&

“ Charlie &. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James William Jones, Jr. PhD.

Charlie &. - September 19, 2023 at 03:40 PM

ST

“ To the Jones family: We are so sorry for your loss. I know Nancy has fond memories of band activities with Jimmy and Norma as I do with Rudy and Doris.  
Sammie and Robert Tate



Sammie Tate - September 19, 2023 at 12:23 PM



Thanks, Sammie. I know Jimmy and Norma really enjoyed reconnecting with Nancy and others after moving back. Hope you are well. Rudy.

Rudy Jones - September 20, 2023 at 10:54 AM

HJ

“ Norma and family so sorry for you loss . Prayers are with you .

Huetta Duncan Jackson - September 19, 2023 at 08:37 AM

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Thank you Huerta. We do have good memories.

norma - September 23, 2023 at 03:14 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James William Jones, Jr. PhD.



September 19, 2023 at 08:22 AM

GF

“ Sat beside Jimmy at my first office at Duke Power in 1983. He saw me hanging my NCSU poster in my office and told me we'd get along just fine if we both agreed that Clemson was the best engineering school in SC and NCSU was best in NC and Carolina is in Columbia. To which I agreed. Ran into him numerous times at model train shows over the years when he still lived in Belmont. Sincere condolences to his family.

Glen Frix - September 19, 2023 at 07:23 AM

NJ

His plans were to go to the train show near Asheville this past weekend.

Norma Jones - October 01, 2023 at 04:16 PM

VA

“ Vicky,Lynn,Becky,Carol,Melinda,Leigh Ann purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of James William Jones, Jr. PhD.



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**Vicky,Lynn,Becky,Carol,Melinda,Leigh Ann** - September 18, 2023 at 05:04 PM

VA

“ Vicky,Lynn,Becky,Carol,Melinda,Leigh Ann planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James William Jones, Jr. PhD.

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**Vicky,Lynn,Becky,Carol,Melinda,Leigh Ann** - September 18, 2023 at 05:04 PM

LR

“ Norma and family, please accept our sympathy for your loss. We will be praying for you & your family during these difficult days.  
Linda & Jimmy Ray

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**Linda Ray** - September 18, 2023 at 04:20 PM

NJ

*Those prayers are needed.*

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**Norma Jones** - October 01, 2023 at 04:17 PM