



## Milton Percival Jones Jr.

April 20, 2019

By all that is holy  
By all that is fine  
All those, they are lowly  
All perfection is mine.  
By Milton Jones

Milton Percival Jones Jr., of Portsmouth, Virginia, died at the age of 77 on the morning of April 20, 2019, after a long illness. His final hours were at Sentara Norfolk General Hospital surrounded by family.

Author, veteran, and beloved husband and father, Milton had the heart of a poet and the courage of a warrior. His novel, *Ultimate Obsession*, chronicles one man's search for beauty and truth. His short story, *Scream of the Wet Monkeys*, is based loosely on his own experiences in the army. After the military, Milton continued to protect servicemen and women as a Quality Assurance Specialist with the US Army Aviation, Missile Research, Development and Engineering Command in Huntsville, Alabama. Milton was highly regarded by his peers for enforcing quality standards as he traveled across the globe to facilities that manufactured equipment for the military. Milton obtained advanced degrees from Old Dominion University.

Milton was born in Norfolk Virginia to Milton P. Jones, Sr. and Stella

(Brickhouse) Jones. His childhood was spent fishing in the Chesapeake Bay, delivering newspapers by bicycle, and reading voraciously. In 1965, while at Old Dominion University, Milton met a dark-haired beauty named Carolyn Dennis. The attraction was mutual. Carolyn thought Milton was the smartest and tallest man she'd ever met. They married in 1967 and had two wonderful children, Charles Allen Jones and Sarah Elizabeth (Jones) Carpenter. Nothing meant more to Milton than family and he welcomed Sarah's husband Chris Carpenter into the family in 2006, and delighted at the arrival of two beautiful grandchildren, Brielle in 2014 and Bennett in 2018.

After the death of his parents, Milton became the patriarch of the Jones family. His wisdom and guidance were cherished by his brother Robert Jones of Hampton, his two sisters, Elizabeth Brickhouse of Harrisonburg and Carolyn O'Neal of Charlottesville, and their families.

A Memorial service will be held at Park View Christian Church, 3201 Western Branch Blvd, Chesapeake, Virginia, on Saturday, April 27th, at 11 am. Visitation with family will follow the service in the Reception Hall. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Park View Christian Church Living Endowment Fund or the Chesapeake Bay Foundation.

When I was young, the years ago,  
When tea buds rose, love lifting dew,  
And Spanish moss from cypress hung  
And mocked- that I was never young,  
She was pure and pure she rose  
'Gainst godhood in my hands she rose  
So long ago, when I was young  
And Spanish moss from cypress hung.  
By Milton Jones



# Previous Events

## Memorial service

APR **27**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Park View Christian Church Disciples of Christ  
3201 Western Branch Blvd  
Chesapeake, VA 23321  
(757) 484-1776

# Tribute Wall



“ *Miss our walks along the beach. Miss our talks. Miss your jokes. Miss your voice. Miss your love of family.* ”



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**Carolyn O'Neal** - May 01, 2019 at 01:09 AM



“ *Kathy Bailey lit a candle in memory of Milton Percival Jones Jr.* ”



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**Kathy Bailey** - April 27, 2019 at 09:31 AM



“ *My favorite memory of Milton is not from childhood. It is of Milton and my then 3-year old grandson, Joey, sitting on my parents' couch after my mom's funeral and Joey was reading a book to Milton-yes, Joey could read at 3. Milton was very attentive and listened to the whole book. It captured my heart to see them together.* ”



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**Martha Fortin** - April 27, 2019 at 08:07 AM

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“ *Bob, Sue, Stephen, Jeff, Torie, Tyler, Ben and Nora purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Milton Percival Jones Jr..*



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**Bob, Sue, Stephen, Jeff, Torie, Tyler, Ben and Nora** - April 26, 2019 at 12:01 PM

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“ *Carolyn O'Neal lit a candle in memory of Milton Percival Jones Jr.*



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**carolyn O'Neal** - April 26, 2019 at 01:01 AM

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“ *Milton was one-of-a-kind. Brilliant, funny, strong, opinionated, loving... I could go on and on about him. He will be remembered.*



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**carolyn O'Neal** - April 26, 2019 at 12:54 AM



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**carolyn O'Neal** - April 25, 2019 at 11:52 PM