



## Richard Jones

September 25, 1936 - May 23, 2025

Richard Jones, born on September 25, 1936, passed away peacefully on May 23, 2025, at the age of 88. He was preceded in death by his parents, Edwin P. Jones and June Jones, and his two sisters, Dorothy Wenthe and Kathryn Nelson. He is survived by his three children, Darren Jones, Sara Jones and Meredith Lee and four grandchildren, Hudson and Justin Jones, Nora and Beckett Lee. Dick was a devoted son, father, grandfather, and friend whose life was rich with purpose, passion, and personality.

A respected orthodontist by profession, Dick was also an inventor, an accomplished photographer, and a man of many talents. He had an insatiable curiosity and a drive to create, explore, and improve the world around him. He fulfilled his dream to become a licensed pilot, finding joy and freedom in the skies. He was also a savvy enthusiast of the stock market, always eager to share his latest insights (and a few strong opinions).

Deeply committed to his community, Dick served as president of the local school board, was a member of the Nature League, and was a long-standing, active member of the Rotary Club. His leadership and involvement made a lasting impact on countless lives.

Dick was the life of every party bringing his sharp, sarcastic wit and infectious laughter to every gathering. His humor, energy, and love of good company were matched only by his generosity. He was a great friend to many and a mentor to even more, known for his unwavering loyalty and sincere interest in others.

Whether teeing off on the golf course, capturing his unique perspective behind a camera lens, flying above the clouds, or simply making someone laugh, Dick lived life fully and on his own terms. He touched and influenced the lives of many and was a dedicated father who gave his all to his family and those he loved.

He will be deeply missed and lovingly remembered. No memorial service is planned.

# Tribute Wall

LG

“ I met Dr Jones 40 years ago when I worked for his friend Dr.White. He was a great teacher, listener and friend. We enjoyed talking basketball and he loved watching our daughter play college ball. He shared his passion of the stock market with our young adult kids and was so generous to many . You will be remembered my dear friend, it was an honor to stop and visit and go to lunch. RIP



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Lori Giebelhausen - May 28, 2025 at 09:41 PM

JH

“ Working as Dick’s Office Manager was a wonderful opportunity for me. He was so easy going, had a positive attitude, and loved life. When I would return to Alton to see my family, I always made definite plans to see Dick to catch up and/or have lunch. He will be missed!!  
Rest in peace my friend, Jeanne Hansen

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Jeanne Hansen - May 28, 2025 at 09:14 PM

JW

“ So grateful to have had the opportunity to take my friend, Dick, to the Masters. He told me it was one of the highlights of his life! I will miss you dear friend 🙏. RIP

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John Webster - May 27, 2025 at 06:50 PM

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“ Remember the joy Dick had in bringing up the kids and the Alton Canoe Club adventures. Dick was president of the Rotary Club when I joined.....Steve Tassinari

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steve tassinari - May 27, 2025 at 03:04 PM

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“ Early on, after meeting Dick, he offered to take me and Dave for a plane ride. I laughed and politely declined..I jokingly said, I wouldnt go up in a plane piloted by a man who had cut off a tip of his finger while trimming his shrubs!" He just smiled. Good guy. Great bridge player. He will be missed. Rest in peace flying in the clouds, Dick.

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**Sonnie Stalker** - May 27, 2025 at 12:03 PM

JF

“ Our office is deeply saddened by this news. We always looked forward to seeing him and sharing conversations. Rest in Peace our friend- you will be deeply missed. Our condolences to the entire family.

*Joe Hopper AuD FAAA*

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**Joe Hopper AuD FAAA** - May 27, 2025 at 09:57 AM

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“ Will miss our conversations at the mailbox where Doc (Dick) imparted his wisdom, thoughts and beliefs with me. Will also never forget the day he walked across the street and asked for my assistance because he had rolled his riding lawnmower over on top of himself. Was never a dull moment when Doc was around. You will be missed my friend!

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**Andy Hruby** - May 25, 2025 at 11:26 AM