



Joe Jones

March 1, 1957 - March 14, 2020

Joe Jones, age 63, of Lawrenceville, Georgia, died on Saturday, March 14, 2020, at his home. He is survived by his loving and devoted wife of 37 years, Tracye Bullock Jones; son, Bryant Jones of Atlanta, GA and Elizabeth Cox of Roswell, GA; sister, Alison Jones of Alexandria, VA; mother-in-law, Martha Bullock of Gadsden, AL; sister-in-law, Alicia Dowling (David) of Gadsden, AL; brother-in-law, Ray Bullock (Tonja) of Birmingham, AL and their two children Virginia and Matthew; sister-in-law, Marla Jones Burgess of Crossville, TN and her three children, Carter Jones (Darlene) and their son Sullivan, Albert Jones (Cristy) and their son Henry, and Clayton Jones; among other relatives and friends. Joe was preceded in death by his parents, Dr. & Mrs. Dewey (Jean) Jones, Jr.; twin brothers, Bill Jones and Jon Jones of Thomaston, GA; and father-in-law, Ray Bullock of Gadsden, AL.

Joe was born in Thomaston, Georgia on March 1, 1957. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Thomaston and he was an Eagle Scout. In 1976, he graduated from Robert E. Lee Institute where he was Mr. R.E. Lee. Joe was a four-year starter and running back for the football team and named to the AAA All-State team. In 2006, Joe was inducted into the Thomaston-Upson Sports Hall of Fame. For college, Joe was recruited to play football by multiple universities in the SEC and ACC. After Coach Paul "Bear" Bryant assured Joe's mother that he would "make sure that he got a great education", Joe made the decision to attend the University of Alabama where he played under the legendary Coach from 1976-1981. Joe was an All-Time Letterman and running back at Alabama. He played on the 1978 and 1979 National Championship Teams where the Crimson Tide compiled a 33-3 record during his career at Alabama. He met his wife, Tracye Bullock, at Alabama where she was a majorette, and they had their first date at the 1980 Cotton Bowl. Joe and Tracye were married on February 26, 1983 and four years later welcomed their son, Bryant. Joe spent the majority of his career working in the insurance and financial fields, first at Primerica, an insurance and financial services company, and as a wealth advisor for Merrill Lynch. Joe retired in 2016, after working on the safety management team for Ready Mix-Block USA. Joe was an avid outdoorsman, grillmaster and continued to be a supremely passionate and dedicated Alabama fan throughout his

life. He loved spending quality time with his family, friends and grand-dogs.

A Memorial Service Honoring the Life of Joe Jones will be held on Tuesday, March 17, 2020 at 2:00 P.M. in the Chapel at Tom M. Wages Funeral Service, LLC, 120 Scenic Highway, Lawrenceville, GA 30046 (770-963-2411). The family will receive friends beginning at 12:00 o'clock until the hour of the service on Tuesday. Condolences may be sent or viewed at www.wagesfuneralhome.com. In lieu of flowers, charitable donations can be directed to: First Baptist Church of Thomaston
[https://www.fbcthomaston.org/Nick's Kids Foundation](https://www.fbcthomaston.org/Nick's%20Kids%20Foundation)
<https://www.nickskidsfoundation.org>. Arrangements have been entrusted to Tom M. Wages Funeral Service, LLC, "A Family Company," (770-963-2411) 120 Scenic Highway, Lawrenceville, Georgia 30046.

The family recognizes the concerns with current national health crisis and certainly understands that some families and friends will not be able to make the service on Tuesday, March 17, 2020. For those unable to make the service, there will be a Celebration of Life event for Joe Jones in Thomaston, GA at a later date to be announced.

Events

MAR **Visitation** 12:00PM - 02:00PM

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Tom M. Wages Funeral Service - Lawrenceville
120 Scenic Highway, Lawrenceville, GA, US, 30046

MAR **Memorial Service** 02:00PM

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Comments



“ A tribute video has been added.



Tom M. Wages Funeral Service - March 16, 2020 at 04:14 PM



“ Beautiful memories of a fine man. I went to school with Joe. So sorry for your loss. Praying for all of your family. Tanya McKinley McCollum.

Tanya McKinley McCollum - March 16, 2020 at 06:50 PM



“ I am so sorry to hear this. My condolences to his family. My name is Linda Draper, a friend of Sharon Cox Harrell.

Linda Draper - March 16, 2020 at 08:45 PM



“ I am a lifetime Bama fan and remember Joe very well during his playing days. I also recall his photo above from the Alabama Sports Information Guide.

Please accept my deepest sympathies and condolences, I am very sorry to hear of Joe's passing.

Roll Tide

Dom in New Jersey

Dom Tibaldo - March 31, 2020 at 12:57 PM



“ Growing up in Thomaston, I have many memories of my classmate, teammate, and friend Joe Jones. Let me share just a few. There was his dog Bo, who used to show up in our neighborhood school Second Grade classroom and the teacher would let him stay. Joe's Dad taking a bunch of us youth league baseball kids to a Braves game. Me being in a local newspaper action photo as Joe is scoring a TD in the Jr. Peach Bowl during our Junior High football days. One time in High School when we were losing to Jonesboro, I had a large chunk of grass and mud stuck to my facemask, and Joe managed to crack up and laugh at me in the huddle. The fact that Joe was by far the best football player in our age group, yet very humble, meek, and down to earth. A couple of years ago, he had come to Thomaston for the funeral of one of our old teammates. Afterward, a group of us went to a pizzeria for food, beer, and remembering old times. Joe insisted on paying for my tab and wouldn't hear otherwise. That was Joe Jones. We all said our goodbyes and went our separate ways. It would be the last time I ever saw him.

Gary Gill - March 20, 2020 at 06:01 PM



“ Tracye, I am thinking of you and wishing you peace and comfort as you remember your dearest husband Joe,

Contacia Cross
(Benefield ES)

Contacia Cross - March 17, 2020 at 07:46 PM



“ Tracye, I am so very sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you in this difficult time.
With love, Peggy Wetzel

Peggy Wetzel - March 17, 2020 at 07:08 PM



“ I am a co-worker of Joe's and wanted to tell his family what an honor it has been to know him. He and I recently discussed his Upson County ancestry as well as my own. His dad being one of the two Upson dentists back in the day. My family came from Upson as well and we shared some great family tree info with one another. Joe was always upbeat and willing to help and to offer a smile. Joe will be missed by all of us at the dealership.

May the Lord wrap all of you in his loving arms and comfort you. Unable to come to the memorial but will be there in spirit.
Here's to you Joe!

Angie Nicholson - March 17, 2020 at 11:37 AM



“ Angie Nicholson lit a candle in memory of Joe Jones



Angie Nicholson - March 17, 2020 at 11:29 AM



“ Tracye you are in my thoughts and prayers especially today. I pray God's presence and comfort for you and your family.

In Christ's Love,
Beth Osborne
(Benefield ES)

Beth Osborne - March 17, 2020 at 07:51 AM



“ Joyful Memory was purchased for the family of Joe Jones.



March 16, 2020 at 08:05 PM



“ Joe was a Great Guy always nice and caring and as many friends have said (everybody loved Joe).The Athlete part goes without saying, Joe will always be remembered as a Great Player.To Alison and all the family sending Love and Prayer's to U All, at this difficult time.The Norris family

Tim Norris - March 16, 2020 at 04:40 PM



“ 79 files added to the album LifeTributes



Tom M. Wages Funeral Service - March 16, 2020 at 04:00 PM



“ I can truly say I loved Joe Jones !!

Not only one of the greatest football players I ever knew, but a great person and what a great friend !

Thoughts and prayers with Tracy, Bryant and Allison !

Rest in peace Joe, I love you and I will miss you !!

Hugh Nall

Hugh - March 16, 2020 at 05:13 PM



“ So saddened to hear about Joe. I went to school with him and he was a super guy. Prayers for his family.

Debbie Fallin - March 17, 2020 at 10:22 AM



“ So saddened to hear of Joe's passing. A great guy and a great athlete. Our prayers are with his family at this time. Lance & Elizabeth DeLoach, Thomaston, GA

Lance Elizabeth DeLoach - March 16, 2020 at 03:26 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joe Jones.



March 16, 2020 at 12:22 PM



“ Many fond memories of Joe from our childhood. He was an athletic hero for all of us and we were so very proud of his accomplishments. He maintained humble throughout all of his success which endeared him to us all the more. May his memory be eternal.

Jim Franko - March 16, 2020 at 10:38 AM



“ So sorry for the loss of 1976 R.E. Lee classmate Joe. Love & prayers to his family.
April Greene Lowry
North Augusta, SC

April G Lowry - March 16, 2020 at 09:49 AM



“ Lost too soon. What a great man in every sense of the word. My condolences.



Rick Hall - March 16, 2020 at 09:27 AM



“ My deepest sympathies. You will be missed by so many.



Kathy Douglas - March 15, 2020 at 11:48 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joe Jones.



March 15, 2020 at 09:25 PM



“ My deepest sympathies , Joe was a friend to all, an humble man and a heart of gold.
My prayers are with you all
Steve Haygood

Steve Haygood - March 15, 2020 at 09:19 PM



“ I was so sorry to hear about the passing of Joe Jones. Joe and I played football at the University of Alabama. Joe will be missed. I will miss his smile, laugh and upbeat attitude. Joe was always in a great mood. Joe was a wonderful friend, husband, dad and son. We will miss you Jumpin Joe Jones.

Randy Scott - March 15, 2020 at 07:55 PM



“ Joe and I shared a lot of great memories over the years. We competed against each other in sports and later on we became teammates. He was truly a special friend who I will miss. Joe, we will join forces again on God's playing field.

Brian Hogan - March 15, 2020 at 06:46 PM



“ My lifelong friend. Joe made a difference. Joe will be missed and heartwarmingly remembered. See you again when I am called.

Lamar Hinson - March 15, 2020 at 01:37 PM