David W. Jones May 22, 1941- May 15, 2017



David Jones was President of the Robert Rankin Chapter 2009-2010. While David was President the Rankin Chapter was named outstanding chapter in its size category in Texas and nationally. David is in the far left in the photo.

PERSONAL:

David was born in 1941 in Florence, Mississippi, and has four sisters and three brothers. He married Fernande Marie Claire Olivier at St. James Catholic Church in Leland, Mississippi in 1977. They have two children and four grandchildren. He is active in St Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church.

MILITARY:

David entered the US Army in 1958 and served eight years in the enlisted ranks. In 1965 he attended Officer Candidate School and received a commission as an Infantry Officer. He has completed the Infantry Officers Advance Course, Basic Airborne School, Special Forces Officers Course, and the US Army Command Staff College. Awards and decorations that he has received include the BS w/V three Oak Leaf Clusters, AM, ACM with one Oak Leaf Cluster, AMM, AGCM, NDSM, VN CG, CIB, US Jump Wings, VN Jump Wings, and the CIB. David served three tours in Europe and two years in Vietnam. He retired from the US Army after 23 years with the rank of Major.

EDUCATIONAL:

David graduated from the University of Mississippi with a Bachelor of Arts. He has done post graduate work at Delta State University, The University of Houston, and the University of St. Thomas.

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PROFESSIONAL:

After retirement from the military David began a teaching career. He taught American Government and Economics for twenty years at C.E. King School. He retired from teaching in May 2004.

GENEALOGICAL:

David joined the NSSAR in 2005. He is also a member in the Somerset Chapter Magna Charta Barons, and The General Society of Mayflower Descendants.

Obituary

David Wiley Jones,

75, of Houston, Texas, and formerly of Leland, will be at 11 a.m. Friday at St. James' Catholic Church, Leland. He died Monday, May 15, 2017, in Katy, Texas. Burial with full Military Honors will be in Leland-Stoneville Cemetery, under the direction of Boone Funeral Home, Leland.

Mr. Jones was born May 22, 1941, in Florence. He served two tours in Vietnam and served as an officer with the 5th Special Forces Group (Green Berets). He was also a retired Major with the Mississippi National Guard. Mr. Jones was a retired school teacher from CE King High School in Houston, Texas.

Fernande Marie Clara Olivier Owens Jones,

80, of Houston, Texas, and formerly of Leland, a homemaker, will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at St. James Catholic Church, Leland. She died Sept. 12, 2006, at Herman Memorial City Hospital, Houston. Burial will be in Leland-Stoneville Cemetery, Stoneville, under the direction of Boone Funeral Home, Leland. Mrs. Jones was surrounded by her family and friends when she died.

She was a longtime resident of Leland. Fernande and her husband moved to Texas in 1985 and had lived there since. She was preceded in death by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fernand Arthur Olivier; a grandson; a great-grandson; and her first husband, J.C. Owens.

Fernande was blessed with many friends whom she loved. She was adored and loved by her family and her friends and will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

Survivors include her husband, David W. Jones of Houston; two daughters, Mary France Womack of Houston and Jean Yvonne Griffien of Kemp, Texas; a brother, Michel Georges Olivier of Jackson; three grandsons, Daniel Wayne Womack, David William Womack and Joshua Owens Jarvis; and a granddaughter, Heather Potts.