



Charles Thomas Jones

September 8, 1928 - June 22, 2026

Charles Thomas Jones, 97, of High Springs, Florida went to be with his Lord on June 22, 2026, at home surrounded by his family. He was born in Memphis, Tennessee on September 8, 1928, to the late Charles Alford Jones and Laura Loeffel Jones.

Charles graduated from Memphis State University and joined the Army, attended Army Language School, and was sent to Europe to serve in the Korean Conflict. Upon discharge, he served for the rest of his working career in the field of Intelligence Analysis for the Federal Government in the Washington, D.C. area and then retired to Florida.

On August 18, 1957, he married J. Annette Lowry and together they shared 68 years of marriage. They enjoyed Square Dancing and at one time served as the Presidents of the Mason-Dixon Square Dance Association. Charles also enjoyed reading, playing golf, hunting, fishing, and camping with his family.

He was a member of the Order of Free and Accepted Masons for over 75 years and was very active, serving in many of the Masonic bodies, both at the local and state level. He received many honors including the lifetime appointment as Grand Representative of the Ancient and Accepted Masons of Victoria, Australia to Florida. He was also a member of the Santa Fe Chapter

No. 105, Order of the Eastern Star serving as Worthy Patron several times.

Charles was a dedicated member of St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church in High Springs and had served as Senior Warden and Mission Board member. He loved his church family as his own.

He is survived by his wife, Annette, their children, Janice Bell (Bob, deceased), Charles Jones, and Thomas Jones (Karen), grandchildren, Robert Jones, Elizabeth Leadbetter (Steven) and Charles B. Jones and his great granddaughter Lorraina Leadbetter and niece Carrye Lloyd (Thomas, deceased) and several great nieces and nephews.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held at St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church at a date not yet determined.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial donations be made to Haven Hospice, Chiefland, Florida or Saint Bartholomew's Episcopal Church, High Springs, Florida.

Arrangements have been placed under the care of the Rick Gooding Funeral Home Chiefland Chapel, with locations in Cross City 352-498-5400 and Chiefland 352-493-0050.