



## William Thomas Jones Obituary

December 3, 1954 - January 19, 2008

William Thomas Jones, Jr., died Saturday, January 19, 2008, at his home. Services will be held Tuesday, January 22, 2008, at 11 AM at Crown Hill Cemetery. The Very Reverend Mark Jones will officiate. A lifetime native of Albany, Tom attend Albany schools and graduated from Deerfield in 1973. He graduated Magna Cum Laude from Georgia State University in 1978. He then entered Georgia Tech for postgraduate studies, where he also instructed in mathematics. After leaving Georgia Tech he was employed by the Federal Government's General Services Administration as a real estate specialist, later transferring to the Centers for Disease Control until he retired. He was preceded in death by his father, William Thomas Jones, Sr., and is survived by his mother, Polly DuVernet Jones, and cousins: Claudia Parker, Bucky and Anita Parker, Susan and Stuart Logan, Laura and Bill Harrell, all of Albany; Kay DuVernet of Newton, Diane and Tim Miller of Athens, Dia DuVernet and Pierce Tyler of Portsmouth, VA, Bob Parker of New Haven, CT, and Sallie Timmerman of Atlanta. The family will receive friends at the home of Polly DuVernet Jones. Those desiring may make memorials to St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 212 N. Jefferson St., Albany, GA 31701 or their favorite charity.

# Tribute Wall



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MH

“ To Tom’s family please let me say how sorrow I am for your loss. Even though I have not seen Tom for many years, I feel a great loss too. I often tell my children of the wonderful memories I have of my friendships as a young adult at Our Shepherd’s Church. Tom was part of those special memories. We had the best times at church, the beach house, Meadowood Apts., and the apartment on Ponce de Leon. During Christmas my daughter and I were looking through belongings and came across a picture Tom had given me for Christmas many years ago. It was an old building he had seen while driving that had a neon sign on it that said ‘Jesus Saves’. Many of his friends probably remember or have that picture too. Tom had written the nicest words on the back. I sat it on my dresser to show the other kids. This led us to look at my old pictures of my Our Shepherd’s days which included many of Tom since he loved to take pictures. Tom was a wonderful man with a lot of wisdom and I will miss him greatly. God bless his family during this time.

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**Michele Hill** - January 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

PP

“ I am very saddened to hear o Tom's death. Although I knew Tom for a very brief time in his college days, I found him to be a very kind, mature and funny person. He was someone I looked up to and admired as a person and a Christian. I took a trip with him to CBN in his brand new red honda prelude. I do not remember the purpose, but he neede to be back a t work so he wanted someone to ride with him to keep him awake in a straight up and back trip, with no stay overs. On the way back he wanted to drive along the beach and visit where the Wrights brothers made their historic first flight along the outer banks. We did not notice that the hwy on the map turned into dashes at the end of island. It stood for "Ferry Boat" and we literally arrived at 5:05 pm as it just left the docks. We causally read the sign that the fairy left every three hours, but were stunned at the last line, "Between the hours of 6:00 am and 5:00pm". We were stranded.

We drove to the last town on the island and it looked like the fishing village in the movie "Popeye." It was amazing. We had dinner at a restaurant which looked upon a very tranquil scene of docks, fishing boats, houses and shops which lined the shore of a large cove. Needless to say he missed work. Although Tom was upset about that, he did not loose his sense of humor. I clearly remember laughing so hard one time that it brought tears to my eyes. It was amazing to me at how he could at times take simple things and make them so silly and so funny. I will always remember Tom's seemingly contradictory ability to be so mature and yet have such a silly sense of humor.

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**Paul Pop** - January 26, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ We knew Tom through Our Shepherd's Church and Calvary Chapel. We were very saddened to hear of Tom's death. Please know that we are praying for his mom and family. May the LORD comfort you during this difficult time.

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**Mike and Von Rogers** - January 25, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ I heard about Tom's "going home" this morning and was shocked as well. Tom and I were good friends, although I too lost contact with him many years ago. Tom and I had the honor (he would laugh) of being room mates and shared some wonderful moments of laughter through all those times. And indeed, when those around him were down he had such a gift to make people laugh. That I cannot forget. The times we all shared at Our Shepherd's Church were some of the best and friendships made there were eternal!  
Ms. Polly, please know that he was a great man, gentle, kind in nature and would do anything for anyone.  
Tom, find happiness and joy now in the arms of our Savior; look for me one day just inside the gate!

Dave

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**David Padgett** - January 25, 2008 at 12:00 AM

GK

“ Although I had lost touch with Tom over the years I always have fond memories when I think of him. My deepest sympathy on your loss and may God strengthen you through his Love in these times.

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**Gary Koepke** - January 25, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ There aren't enough words to express the sorrow I have at the news of Tom's death. He was one of the closest friends I had for many years, and yet we lost contact over time. Tom had a great Administrative gift, was loyal and straight forward with his friends and, as Michael Hutcheson said, had a wonderful sense of humor. My hope for the family and friends is to think of all the special times, and even the everyday times you had with him. God's peace to you all. Bye, Tom, see you someday.

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**Dalene Stone** - January 25, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CT

“ Oh NO! I am so shocked and saddened by this news of Tom's passing. I pray that he has found the love and comfort he has always longed for in the arms of Jesus! Tom and I were good friends back in the days of Our Shepherd's Church. Mrs. Jones- I am SO sorry for your terrible loss. All I can say is "precious in the site of the Lord is the death of His saints."

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**Carrie Bowers Tishhouse** - January 24, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ I was so saddened when I heard the news today (1/24/08). I wish I had known earlier because I certainly would have attended Tom's funeral. I met Tom around 1980 and have stayed in close contact with him through the years until very recently when I got no response to my cards and letters, which concerned me. Tom was a gifted photographer, a caring friend and had that very great and rare gift of a wonderful sense of humor. Regardless of what was going on in either of our lives, we always made each other laugh. He and I also shared a love for the beach and I enjoyed the family beach house so much via Tom's open hearted hospitality. I will miss Tom on this earth very much but look forward to our reunion one day in our Father's house. My prayers go out to each of Tom's family members. (Claudia may remember me from the dinner she cooked for a group of us in 1981 - I was the first girl named Michael she had ever met!)Please know that Tom was loved very much and treasured as a friend.

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**Michael Hutcheson** - January 24, 2008 at 12:00 AM

GD

“ Tom's sensitivity, his courage, and his love of his family will always be in my memory.

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**Gerald Drose** - January 22, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ I am so sorry to learn of Tom's death. I remember him as being very kind and considerate toward everyone. Please accept my deepest sympathy.

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**Cathy Doyal Brady** - January 22, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RG

“ I am truly sorry to learn of Tom's death. He was one of my favorite people as we grew up together. His intelligence and wit were manifest, and it appeared to me that he loved his family very much. He will be missed, and I extend my deepest sympathy.

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**Robert Goldsmith** - January 21, 2008 at 12:00 AM

HG

“ Dear Polly: We were shocked to learn of Tom's death. We enjoyed so much our talks with Tom after we retired here. We are sorry things never worked out so he and you could visit us. We have lost a good friend. Our prayers are with you and other family members in this time of sorrow.

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**Helen and Paul McCorvey, Manchester, GA** - January 21, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ I was both shocked and saddened to learn of Tom's death. I remember him at Deerfield as an excellent student and a wonderful person. He and Sallie were invaluable assistants when I sponsored the school newspaper. My deepest sympathy to his family and friends. Joanne Stripling Smith

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**Joanne S. Smith** - January 21, 2008 at 12:00 AM