



Olive Searing Jones

April 25, 1918 - March 19, 2019

Born in Jacksonville, FL to Oliver P. Searing and Marie Hunt Searing on April 25, 1918. Her family moved to Miami in 1920 where her father was an engineer and helped layout the Miami Beach water system. She excelled in her studies, making the honor roll every year and later often appeared in the Miami society pages.

She married Jack Eugene Jones in 1940 in her parent's home. After WWII they purchased Camp Cloudmont for Boys and divided their time between Mentone and Miami, FL, finally deciding to live fulltime on the mountain in 1970.

Olive was instrumental in bringing the Catholic community together which later became Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church. Olive and her husband Jack, were very involved in tourism in Dekalb County including MAPA, Dekalb County Tourist Association, Lookout Mountain Parkway Association, and Alabama Mountain Lakes Tourist Association. She was a long time member of Daughters of the American Revolution proudly telling that a grandparent was born in the oldest house in the country in St. Augustine, FL. They were also very active in the Coral Reef Yacht Club and Coral Gables Country Club in South Florida. She enjoyed dancing, bridge, socializing, travel, tennis, shooting and rabbit hunting. She had a generous, loving heart and will be dearly missed by all who knew her.

Preceded in death by her parents, Oliver and Marie Searing, husband Jack E. Jones, her sisters Hazel May, Jane Sawyer, Betty Halliburton, sons Jack E. Jr. and Michael Jones, and granddaughter Julie Jones. She is survived by her children, sons Oliver Jones (Denise) and Gary Jones (Cindy), daughters Nancy Jones, Marsha Hair (Douglas), Janis Carrier, and Angela Wood, grandchildren Rebecca Miller (Marshall), Chelsea Manning (Garrett), Margaret Carrier Vineyard (Brad), Douglas Hair, Jr., Lura Horton (Matt), Dena Jones, Nathan Jones, and Austin Jones, great-grandchildren Tyler Rowland, Jackson Drennan, and Cael and Renn Horton, Larkin and Ryder Manning.

A funeral mass will be held 11 a.m. Saturday, March 23 at Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church with the burial following in the family cemetery. The family will receive friends Friday from 5 until 7 p.m. at Wilson Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church.

Cemetery Details

Jones Family Cemetery at Shady Grove

Road 948
Mentone, AL 35984

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 22. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Wilson Funeral Home Chapel
3801 Gault Avenue North
Fort Payne, AL 35967
(256) 845-9150
wilsonfuneralhome@bellsouth.net
<http://www.wilsonfhinc.com>

Funeral Mass

MAR 23. 11:00 AM (CT)

Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church
2910 Gault Avenue North
Fort Payne, AL 35967

Tribute Wall



“ *Olive Searing Jones*

January 12, 2023 at 10:45 AM



“ *Sarah Haase lit a candle in memory of Olive Searing Jones*



Sarah Haase - March 26, 2019 at 09:48 PM



“ *Keeping the whole family in our prayers.*

Mike Hall - March 23, 2019 at 12:03 PM



“ *Sherry And Tom Barrat lit a candle in memory of Olive Searing Jones*



Sherry and Tom Barrat - March 22, 2019 at 05:36 PM

SB

“ *Sherri Brown lit a candle in memory of Olive Searing Jones*



sherri brown - March 22, 2019 at 01:20 PM

JM

“ *Brian and I are sending you lots of love during this time. Prayers and thoughts are with you always.*

Jennifer Manning

Jennifer R Manning - March 22, 2019 at 10:54 AM

JM

“ *Jennifer R Manning lit a candle in memory of Olive Searing Jones*



Jennifer R Manning - March 22, 2019 at 10:53 AM

MN

“ *Marian Nesbitt lit a candle in memory of Olive Searing Jones*



Marian Nesbitt - March 22, 2019 at 09:40 AM

PV

“ Pam & Steven Vias lit a candle in memory of Olive Searing Jones



Pam & Steven Vias - March 21, 2019 at 09:37 PM

LH

“ Beautiful lady always so much fun, we will miss you, hug Jack for me.



Linda Dale Hogg Holleman - March 21, 2019 at 07:14 PM

IS

“ Isabelle Moody & Susan Smith Sparkes purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Olive Searing Jones.



Isabelle Moody & Susan Smith Sparkes - March 21, 2019 at 06:20 PM

TJ

“ Tracy Johnson lit a candle in memory of Olive Searing Jones



Tracy Johnson - March 21, 2019 at 10:59 AM

WC

“ *With Love, Stella and Carol purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Olive Searing Jones.*



With Love, Stella and Carol - March 21, 2019 at 09:22 AM

AJ

“ *Angela Jeffery-Grizzard lit a candle in memory of Olive Searing Jones*



Angela Jeffery-Grizzard - March 20, 2019 at 03:04 PM