



James Melvin Jones

October 2, 1948 - October 1, 2018

Evangelist Melvin Jones, age 69, of St Augustine, Florida passed away on October 1, 2018 at UF Health in Gainesville, Florida. Melvin was born in Cleveland, Tennessee and moved to Wauchula, Florida at the age of 5. He later moved to Vero Beach, Florida and graduated from Vero Beach High School in 1966. Melvin began his working career soon after high school in the furniture sales business and later worked for Piper Aircraft Company. In the early 1970's Melvin moved to South Carolina where he was trained as a First Class Engineer to work in radio broadcasting. Melvin began his broadcasting career as a disc jockey soon after completing his education. He worked for a number of stations including WPWR in Charleston playing Country and Gospel music. Always one to do everything with his whole heart, Melvin at one time single handedly ran a 50 hour radio broadcast marathon to benefit the needy. He enjoyed a career in broadcasting that spanned 25 years. While still working in broadcasting Melvin trained and was licensed as an auctioneer. He operated his own Auction Barn in Brunson, South Carolina and traveled around the state to run other auctions. In 1983, Melvin moved to St Augustine. In the year 2000, Melvin, who at the time suffering with heart failure, received the gift of life when he was the recipient of a heart transplant. The heart came from a 16 year old who had died in a car accident. The event had a profound impact on his life. After his transplant Melvin dedicated his existence to serving the Lord. At one time he was quiet in his faith, now he wrote and performed worship music, preached, and spoke all to the glory of God. He

became a prayer partner and frequent guest on the Trinity Broadcasting Network in Jacksonville, and was an active member of Pentecostal Fellowship Center Church. He is survived by his wife of 45 years, Sarah Jones; daughter, Mitzi Jones of Sebastian, Florida; son, Adam Chad Jones (Gerri-Lynn), Edgewater, Florida; son, Mark Longo (Denise), Ft Lauderdale, Florida, daughter, Joanne Bates (Bert), Hutchinson Island, Florida; sisters, Jane Laverne Isaac (William), Martinez, Georgia, and Mildred L. Music, Bonifey, Florida; grandchildren, Ashleigh, Chad, Joshua, Brianna, Paul and Michael, great-grandchildren, Aiden, Kaylee, and Zane. A celebration of his life will be held at 4pm on Saturday, October 6, 2018 at Lighthouse Church of God, 1230 Kings Estate Rd, St Augustine, FL 32086. In lieu of flowers, donations in Melvin's memory can be made to: Pentecostal Fellowship Center Church, 1065 Kings Estate Rd, Saint Augustine, FL 32086. St. Johns Family Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Tribute Wall

JC

“ With deepest sympathy during this difficult time.

James Stanley & Lewis Cobb - October 09, 2018 at 12:00 AM

DJ

“ Family, I grieve with you at this time. I prayed fervently for Melvin. As Aunt Jane & I always say: God is in control. “For My thoughts are not your thoughts, Nor are your ways My ways”. So are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts”
Isaiah 55:8-9

Dixie Jackson - October 07, 2018 at 12:00 AM

Jl

“ To my Brother that I love so much. I will forever miss you, you was my best friend.

Jane and Bill Isaac - October 06, 2018 at 12:00 AM

QM

“ Melvin was a very dear friend of ours. A very prolific songwriter. I recorded some of the songs that he wrote. He recorded some of the the songs that I wrote as well. I'm going to miss him dearly but to know that we'll dwell with the Lord forever gives me comfort. Go Rest High My Friend.

Quinton, Pam & Gabriel Mills - October 05, 2018 at 12:00 AM

AA

“ We are saddened by the news of his passing. My mother, his sister, Mildred Music, is still trying to comprehend the loss. We wish we could be there and our thoughts and prayers are with the family there.

Aaron Adams-Music - October 05, 2018 at 12:00 AM

HP

“ RIP Melvin you fought a good fight.

Harold and Dera Ponsell - October 04, 2018 at 12:00 AM

KE

“ To the funeral, My deepest condolences on the loss of your loved one. Losing someone that means so much to you is very hard, may the fond memories you shared together bring you a source comfort. I also hope that you too can find comfort from the words at Psalm 34:18 and 2 Corinthians 1:3,4 as God promises to comfort and sustain you in your time of sorrow.

Kee - October 04, 2018 at 12:00 AM