

Acknowledgement

On behalf of the Jones Family, we would like to express our deepest gratitude to everyone for your prayers, phone calls, kind words, visits, and heartfelt gestures of love and support.

The stories shared, along with the photos and videos of Donald Earl Jones (“**Huggie Bear**”), have been a tremendous source of comfort to our family. They reminded us of how many lives he touched and how deeply he was loved. The love shown to Donald and to our family has brought light during this difficult time. We would like to extend our special thanks to the Corpus Christi community and surrounding areas for the overwhelming outpouring of care and compassion. Your support lifted a heavy burden and brought peace to our hearts when we needed it most.

Though we may feel that we were not ready, we trust in God’s divine wisdom. God knew Donald was weary and called him home to rest. We take comfort in knowing that our Creator knows us better than we know ourselves and that His plan is perfect.

Thank you all for your generosity, love, and continued prayers in honor of Donald Earl Jones (“**Huggie Bear**”). Your kindness will be remembered and appreciated forever.

With sincere gratitude,
The Jones Family

Services Entrusted to:

Saxet Funeral Home
4001 Leopard St.
Corpus Christi, Texas 78408

Remembering The Life and Legacy of Donald Earl Jones “Huggie Bear”



Sunrise
August 7, 1964

Sunset
December 14, 2025

Saturday, January 10, 2026

Time: 1:00 PM

Calvary First Baptist Church

2906 Carver Dr.

Corpus Christi, Texas 78405

Bishop C.E. Richardson Sr.

Order of Service

Processional
Clergy & Family

Old Testament
Rev. W.L. Pullam

New Testament
Rev. Quincy D. Mosley

Prayer
Bishop C.E. Richardson

Song of Celebration
St. John First Baptist Church Praise Team

Remarks
(2 Minutes)

Solo
Rev. Quincy Mosley

Words of Encouragement
Rev. Keith A. Jones

Song of Celebration
St. John First Baptist Church & Praise Team

Eulogy
Rev. Charles D. Toliver

Final Viewing
Saxet Funeral Home

Active Pallbearers

Marcell Davis
Christopher McChester
D'Andre McGee
Eddie Potts III

Honorary Pallbearers

KieArron Ratcliff
Coureyeon Henderson
Terry McGee
Renard Smith

Honorary Pallbearers

Donald Jones Jr.
Charles Jones Sr.
Louis Jones
Charles Jones Jr.
David Jones
Robert Jones Sr.
Gene Edwards
Marcus Edwards

Honorary Pallbearers

Richard Miller
Lynell Jones
Charles Powell
Byron Warner Sr.
Antoine Hooper
Sidney Edwards

Honorary Pallbearers

Ashlee Lamb
Elicia Jones
La Stacia Jones
Tracia Williams
Lisa Green
Ciji Jones
Tammy McChester
Sara Barnes

Honorary Pallbearers

LaTundra Jones
Lynette Hayes
Netrolia Hooper
Rhonda Clay
Ethel Jones
Julia Jones
Tracy McChester



Reflection Of Life

On Sunday, December 14, 2025, Donald Earl Jones Sr., affectionately known as "Huggie Bear," entered eternal rest at the age of 61 in Corpus Christi, Texas. Donald was born on August 7, 1964, in Victoria, Texas, to the late Charlie Andrew Jones and Ethelene Jones. He was the eighth of nine children. At an early age, Donald moved to Corpus Christi, Texas, where he was raised and educated in the Corpus Christi Independent School District. Donald accepted Christ at a young age and was a faithful member of Ebenezer Baptist Church, where he served under the leadership of Rev. R. L. Bell. He was raised with strong values, a solid work ethic, and the belief that if a job was worth doing, it was worth doing right. Known for his warm heart and willingness to help others, Donald never hesitated to lend a helping hand.

He worked various jobs throughout the city and was respected as a dedicated and dependable worker. One of his greatest joys was cooking, especially barbecuing a passion he developed early in life. Donald met Joyce Marie McGee later in life, and the two united in holy matrimony in 2008. He loved his wife deeply, and together they shared 17 years of marriage filled with love, growth, and cherished memories. Donald was a man of character – not perfect, but genuine, loving, and deeply devoted to his family. He will be remembered for his words, his actions, his laughter, and the love he gave so freely.



PSALM 23



The LORD is my shepherd,
I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures;
He leads me beside quiet waters.

He restores my soul;
He guides me in the paths of righteousness
for the sake of His name.

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of
death.

I will fear no evil,
for You are with me;

Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies.

You anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy will follow me
all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD
forever.

