



Mr. Gary L. Jones

June 15, 1956 - August 12, 2025

Celebrating the beautiful life and spirit of a father, grandfather, brother, uncle, cousin and friend: Gary L. Jones, affectionately known by his nieces, nephews and many others as Uncle Gary.

Gary was born on June 15, 1956 in Alton IL, to the late William E. Jones and Mildred B. (Smith) Jones. As a 1974 Alton Senior High School graduate, he was a valued member of the community, who was loved and admired by many. He will always be remembered for his generous spirit and beaming smile.

On Tuesday, August 12, 2025, Gary departed this life to receive eternal rest and peace. Gary was devoted to his family and friends, a kind, caring adventurous person who enjoyed many activities, including camping, biking, mud volleyball, baseball, golfing, officiating, working with Alton Park and Recreations and so much more. He regularly gave to his community. He had an amazing skill to make everyone feel special, whether he just met you or if he knew you for years.

Gary is preceded in death by his parents William & Mildred Jones, and sister Linda (Jones) Hearn. He leaves his family to cherish his memories: his daughter Angelica Jones and granddaughter Cor'lynn Harris, his brothers Anthony Jones, Gregory (Carmen) Jones, and Michael (Pamela) Jones, as

well as his sisters Beverly (Jones) Wright, and DeAnna Jones. This also includes the extended family of cousins, nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews, and friends.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

SEP **19** (CT)

Gordon Moore Park
Alton, IL 62002

Tribute Wall



“ I met Gary at G.Moore Park many years ago..His friendly smile, beautiful outlook and smooth persona..Filled me up with happiness, everytime I got to see Gary at the park..Which was a lot, Thank You God..We became good friends and I loved Gary from the bottom of my heart..For being a Great Human Being and a Wonderful Friend..We Miss You, Brother ☐

Scott McLaughlin - November 12, 2025 at 11:06 PM



“ My sincere condolences to the Jones family for their loss. Rest in Peace.



George De Angelis - August 28, 2025 at 10:12 AM



“ I remember Gary when he used to Umpire with my dad. He watched me grow up but lost contact unfortunately years ago. He was a great guy! Rip. Prayers to his family



Kayla Zimbelmann - August 23, 2025 at 09:01 PM

CM

“ I met Gary when I was 16 years old and we played softball together for years and I umpired with him for many years too. This truly breaks my heart to hear he passed. Gary's family and friends are in my thoughts and prayers 🙏. RIP Gary Jones Brother until we meet again... I love you Gary and I will never forget you. Umpire Charlie Morton

Charlie Morton - August 23, 2025 at 07:31 PM



“ Gary was a terrific person, always fun to be around. He was terrific to our family always playing and joking with the kids. They remember him coming to the house and swimming. He taught me to umpire and just the right “Strike” call- and I mean that by the Sound You make with the call.... No one could do that like Gary, but we tried...

Sympathy to his family....

One Terrific Guy!!!!

Jim Neumann

Jim Neumann - August 21, 2025 at 07:06 PM

TM

“ Gary was one of the best. Always joking and laughing with all of us. He made coming to the park to play ball even more enjoyable with his infectious smile. Prayers and hugs to his family, may he rest in peace.

Tammy (Baker) Mullen - August 21, 2025 at 05:52 PM

TD

“ Gary was a true gentleman in every sense of the word! Hr always had a wonderful smile whenever you saw him. He was always giving of a hug to make you feel special. A great friend and official of baseball games at Gordon Moore Park. Sorry to his family for their loss.

Tammy Downing - August 21, 2025 at 04:31 PM

RK

“ Mr Gary and Coach diddlbock taught many children who are now older the true fundamentals of sports. He and that smile will be greatly missed.

Rochelle Kimbrough - August 20, 2025 at 05:21 AM



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Cathy M Williams & Sons FH - August 18, 2025 at 07:54 PM

KO

“ gary had a vary special place in my life he watched my kids grow up and a bond no one could ever brake with them helping teach my son how to ride a bike to taking my oldest daughter on walks with him they would be at Gary's house everyday its hard to believe that he is gone now he always called my youngest his birthday gift its diffently been a hard last few days like I said my kids had a vary strong bond with uncle Gary.. you will be missed gary tell we meet again



kristen oettle - August 15, 2025 at 11:35 PM

LF

“ Gary was my kids bus driver (the best ever) that greeted us every morning with a warm smile. He loved all the kids. He also umpired my husband's softball games for many years. In addition he became a fast friend to my granddaughters on the ball fields as well. Gary and I would walk and talk during walks at the park. It was always a pleasure to see him. I'm so sad to hear of his passing. Rest in peace friend. You were a true gem.

Linda Fry - August 15, 2025 at 08:48 PM

AC

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



AMOS COMMANDER - August 15, 2025 at 11:46 AM

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“ *AMOS COMMANDER lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary L. Jones*



AMOS COMMANDER - August 15, 2025 at 11:35 AM

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Jones I Can't Believe This I Was Just Talking To You Last Week Had Not Talked in A Few Years When Mike Called and Said He Was at Your House God Works in mysterious ways We Never know His Calling

AMOS COMMANDER - August 15, 2025 at 11:41 AM