

Obituary

Ted Jones

June 12, 1932 – February 15, 2019

On February 15 Ted Jones of Sisters passed away at his home surrounded by family. He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Edie; his four children; seven grandchildren; and a cousin.

Born June 12, 1932 in Tulsa, Oklahoma, to Leonard Lewis Jones and Eleanor Mary Jones, Ted was an Eagle Scout, a member of the Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity, a National Ski Patrolman, and a Republican. He received a bachelor of science degree in business from the University of Colorado and an MBA from Vanderbilt University.

He served in the Navy during the Korean War and worked for Johnson Controls for over 30 years.

Ted and Edie raised their family in Montana, Minnesota, and Kentucky before coming to Oregon in 1991 to own and operate Camp Tamarack.

The Presbyterian Church and the Rotary Club were central to Ted. He contributed to church communities throughout his life, including the Church of the Transfiguration in Sisters. As a 50-year member of Rotary, he served in many capacities. One highlight was leading a group to New Zealand, for which he was appointed Ambassador of Good Will and a Kentucky Colonel. He later served as president of the Sisters club and was named a Paul Harris Fellow for his contributions.

While living in Oregon, Ted also held leadership positions in the Western Association of Independent Camps and served on the Deschutes County Commission on Children and Families, earning the distinction of Volunteer of



the Year.

Ted climbed the Matterhorn and enjoyed camping, skiing, football, nature, birds, attending the symphony, driving his car, and walking his dog, Walker.

Ted will be missed by his wife, Edie Jones; his children, Steffanie Lynch and husband Dave (Walpole, Massachusetts), Shelly Jones-Wilkins and husband Andy (Staunton, Virginia), Leonard Werner-Jones and wife Gisela (Munich, Germany), and Franklin Jones (Portland); his grandchildren, Corey and Sean Lynch, Carson, Logan and Tully Jones-Wilkins, Anna and Lea Werner-Jones; and his cousin, Mary Ann Craig (Durango, Colorado).

The family requests memorial gifts go to the following two organizations: Sisters Rotary Foundation — “The Ted Jones Scholarship Fund.” Donations accepted at: PO Box 1286, Sisters, OR 97759. Inquiries can be made at: haldarcey@aol.com or 808-864-5683. Donations can also be sent to the Scholarship Fund at Camp Tamarack: Camp Tamarack, 19696 Sunshine Way, Bend, OR 97702 or www.campamarack.com.

Services will be held on April 6 at 2 p.m., at the Church of the Transfiguration in Sisters.

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choose which parts they live by and have faith in. Slave girls and polygamy anyone?

There are several statistics quoted in the story. Maybe the stats show an increase since our kids are feeling more empowered to speak their truths and society is more open and supportive of each individual’s right to be themselves and name themselves. I bet the percentage is much higher as many gay folks don’t feel safe coming out, even now.

Being gay has been a “taboo for millennia”? No. There are frescoes, ancient wall carvings, and much historical documentation of societies and cultures who have openly accepted gay members. Many Native American tribes call their gay/trans tribe members “twin-spirited” and they are revered.

You’re weary? I am so weary of bigotry being wrapped in “love”; it’s still prejudice.

Karly Drake-Lusby

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To the Editor:

The snowstorm of 2019 will be one to be remembered by all. Sisters experienced school closures, businesses unable to open, and of course hard work in order to make any sort of movement possible.

A dear friend of mine made me realize

something in the midst of this disabling storm. Many men of Sisters were either hired or voluntarily plowed our roads, shoveled our roofs, dug us out of our homes, and cleared pathways. Our conversation made me think, and it snowballed (no pun intended) from there.

I talked and listened to many of the ladies in town. I realized many of us were “storm widows.” While the gentlemen (and I THANK YOU), were out until all hours of the night shoveling, plowing, digging, and pushing snow around town; that left the ladies to step up, too. While there are only so many hours in the day, and only so many places we can be at one time; many women jumped in to help our partners GET THINGS DONE!

I listened to amazing stories of the gals stepping up while the guys were getting things done. During this bleak week, it made me happy to hear how we all worked as a team to fill in where needed — women were shoveling until Epsom salt baths were needed every night. Fought with snow blowers until bruised from head to toe. Shoveled roofs to avoid ice dam damage. Helped dig out husbands’ trucks. Made sure a hot midnight meal was ready after long hours outside.

Whatever anyone did to help a neighbor or do the unordinary — I am honored and appreciate all the “gal power” I heard about this week!

Cathleen Douthit

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