



Lelia Darlene Jones

April 24, 1945 - June 8, 2025

Lelia Darlene Jones, 80, of Klein, Texas, passed away peacefully on Sunday, June 8, 2025, surrounded by her loving family. Born on April 24, 1945, in Ashland, Kentucky, to Harry and Geneva Pennington, Darlene, as most people knew her, lived a life grounded in faith, family, service, and love for others.

She dedicated her life to caring for those in need choosing a life-long career as a nurse which included 22 years of service as a proud member of the United States Army. Her compassion, strength, and steady presence touched countless lives.

Darlene was a woman of unwavering faith, always placing God first. Her deep belief guided her throughout her life, and her family finds comfort in knowing she is now at peace in the presence of the Lord.

She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Tom Jones. Left to cherish her memory are her five children: Rebecca Caron and husband, Jeff of Springboro, Ohio; Eric Blankenship and wife, Diana of Klein, Texas; Seth Blankenship and wife, Jamie of Manchester, Ohio; Josh Blankenship and fiancé, Roshani of Salt Lake City, Utah; Tim Blankenship and wife, Shelby of Jackson, Wyoming; eight grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her brother, Greg Pennington and wife, Regina of Chillicothe,

Ohio, her aunt, Glada Smith of Hillsboro, Ohio, and two nephews.

Interment took place at 12:45 p.m. on Friday, June 27, 2025, at Houston National Cemetery, 10410 Veterans Memorial Dr., Houston, Texas 77038, where she was laid to rest with full military honors.

Darlene's life was a testament to faith, strength, and service. She will be deeply missed and forever remembered.

Cemetery Details

Houston National Cemetery

10410 Veterans Memorial Dr.
Houston, TX 77038

Previous Events

Interment

JUN 27. 12:45 PM - 1:15 PM (CT)

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For those attending, please arrive to Houston National Cemetery by 12:30 pm, and line up in Lane 2. Line up for the procession starts at 12:20 pm. The procession to the shelter for the service will leave promptly at 12:45 pm.

Tribute Wall

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“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



Jamie Blankenship - June 26, 2025 at 03:40 PM

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“ The McGee's purchased the Simply Elegant Spat
hiphyllum for the family of Lelia Darlene Jones.



The McGee's - June 25, 2025 at 11:34 AM

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“ Danny & Susie Bihn purchased the Peaceful White
Lilies Basket for the family of Lelia Darlene
Jones.



Danny & Susie Bihn - June 23, 2025 at 03:51 PM

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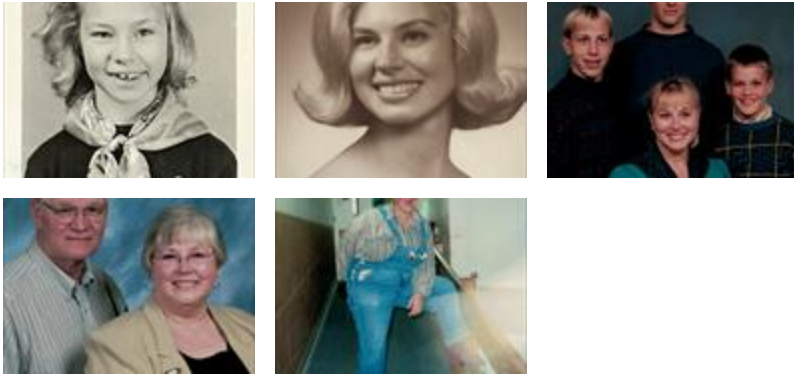
“ Dinius Family purchased the Beautiful Dreams
for the family of Lelia Darlene Jones.



Dinius Family - June 22, 2025 at 05:16 PM

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“ 51 files added to the album Darlene



Diana Blankenship - June 22, 2025 at 04:35 PM