



THOMAS (TED) JONES

April 26, 2013

Gainesville - Thomas (Ted) Jones, 84, of Gainesville, FL. Ted was born on December

20, 1928 in Memphis, TN and grew up in Chicago, IL. He is survived by his wife, Gwen,

his daughter Vanessa Uelmen (John) (Alexandria, VA), grandsons Geoffrey and

Christopher, sister Marea (Boise, ID), brother-in-law Keith (Somerset, UK) and

daughter-in-law Christine (Kansas City, MO). Ted was preceded in death by his son,

Ian.

After attending the University of Chicago for two years, he enlisted in the US Army

during the Korean conflict and served for 3 years. In 1960 he decided to

pursue a

career in academia and earned his PhD in German Literature at the University of

Michigan in Ann Arbor. Subsequently, he was a professor of German Literature and

Linguistics at Ripon College, Ripon, WI for 33 years until his retirement. A true believer

in commitment to public service, Ted was elected to the Ripon, WI city council and later

was elected Mayor of Ripon. He also served as a public member on the State of

Wisconsin Board of Nursing.

Arrangements for a remembrance gathering are pending. For those who so desire,

donations can be made to Haven Hospice, 4200 NW 90th Blvd., Gainesville, FL 32606.

Tribute Wall

AH

“ *Helga and I were saddened to learn that Ted has passed away. We remember how Ted was as committed to building a better society as he was to his profession of teaching, In both realms, he excelled .*

Arthur Harriman - May 02, 2013 at 02:30 PM

ML

“ *Ted was a good colleague, friend and neighbor when Diane and I lived on Oak Street in Ripon, and he was the only friend who didn't claim back trouble when I asked for help moving to our house in the woods near Green Lake! Another special memory is the night Ted and I got Bill Stott out of bed to get the screech owl out of the Jones' bathroom! And Diane and I so enjoyed sharing in Vanessa's wedding.*

Diane and I send our deepest condolences to Gwen and her family.

Mark Lindquist - May 02, 2013 at 09:47 AM

TO

“ *Dear Gwen,*

We certainly have missed Ted's and your presence at Ripon. I did thoroughly enjoyed our friendship. I remember Ted's innovative spirit (he was the first MAC Plus on campus) making a positive contribution to the academic program at the College as well as a good friend.

My very best thoughts go with you.

Tom Oyster - May 01, 2013 at 07:28 AM

EG

“ For the funeral home only, not for display -- the name of the first commenter is misspelled. The last name is "Storzer", not "Stozer." He is from Ripon, and I had him in class, so I know the name. He'd probably appreciate your correcting it.

Eric and Ann Marie Godfrey - April 30, 2013 at 10:36 PM

EG

“ Ted was a wonderful and always sympathetic colleague for me and was kind in helping Ann Marie and I settle in to our residence and my teaching career at Ripon College. I have often missed his presence since his retirement some years back, and now will miss him all the more. Gwen, please accept our heartfelt condolences on your loss.

Eric and Ann Marie

Eric and Ann Marie Godfrey - April 30, 2013 at 10:34 PM

TS

“ Gwen,
My thoughts and prayers are with you and Vanessa and amily.
Toby

Tobin J Stozer - April 30, 2013 at 12:22 PM