



Mr. Graeme Herbert Jones

September 21, 2014

It is with great sadness that we announce Graeme left this life on 21st September, 2014 having met all its challenges with humour and determination, great energy, huge intelligence and a great sense of adventure and kindness. He leaves behind his loving wife Irene Bailey, his daughter and son, Fiona and Alisdair Jones, his step children Selina Bannerman and Sean Bailey and grandchildren John, Katie, Liam and Rowan. Graeme was born in Vancouver, attended UBC where he obtained a Math and Physics degree. Graduated as a CA in 1961 and became a Federal Tax auditor in Vancouver. In 1966 Graeme joined Thorne Riddell in Toronto as the Tax Manager. He was National Tax Managing Partner from 1967 to 1980. Manufacturers Life Insurance Company persuaded him to start the first tax and estate support practice for senior agents in Canada in 1980 as Senior Tax Consultant. The success of this venture was quickly noted and copied by all other large insurance companies. Graeme continued as a consultant and estate planner until his death. He loved classical music, jazz, was an ardent film buff, adventurous and explorative travelling, walking, biking, canoeing, downhill skiing, good food and cooking, a good glass of wine and was a long time member and supporter of the Glenview Scottish Country dancers in Toronto. He will be sadly missed by all his friends and clients. A funeral service will be held at St. James' Crematorium Chapel at 635 Parliament St., on Saturday 27th September, 2014 at 10 a.m.; immediately followed by a social memorial gathering. Donations in lieu of flowers, if wished to the Kensington Hospice,

38 Major Street, Toronto where he was cared for so well.

Previous Events

Funeral

SEP **27**. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. James' Cemetery
635 Parliament Street
Toronto, ON M4X 1R1 (CA)

Tribute Wall

JM

“ Dear Irene. Please accept my condolences on Graeme`s death. He was a very wise man and we shared many clients and he always gave good advice. He even was a witness for me in a tax case that we won. I have the flu and would not be welcome at the service today but will be thinking of him and you. John McKellar

john mckellar - September 27, 2014 at 09:17 AM

BM

“ Dear Irene,
Carl and I send you our sincere condolences at this time of loss and great sadness. We are thinking of you today and will sing with you in our thoughts tonight. We look forward to the time when you will rejoin us at Oakham House.

Brenda and Carl

Brenda Millar - September 27, 2014 at 07:42 AM

GH

“ Dear Alisdair and Fiona:
That part of your Dad's journey I was able to share is a treasured part of my own life. We explored jazz sounds and helped found the Vancouver New Jazz Society. He sharpened my classical ear with those Sunday symphony concerts at the Orpheum. One word keeps coming back to me about him, wry. A great guy gone.
Gerald Hodge

Gerald Hodge - September 26, 2014 at 10:28 PM

BA

“ Dear Irene:

We were saddened to hear of Graeme's passing. Hopefully the many good memories you have shared will sustain you through this difficult time.

One of the fondest memories we have is of the "Toronto group" coming to GASP to practice for the Ottawa Ball, and especially the time you all arrived wearing Toronto Maple Leaf hockey sweaters. Graeme had such a quiet, rye humour. He will live on in our dancing memories.

Betty & Thane Anderson

Betty & Thane Anderson - September 25, 2014 at 09:45 PM

AA

“ *Dearest Irene, I have been thinking of you and Graeme such a lot since we heard the sad news. We met Graeme so briefly..... fleeting visits around weddings, dashing to lunch in Nicosia from the Queen Mary and nearly missing the boat on the way back. yet I can still remember his dry humour. We did laugh together. Even if the first line of the verse on our grandmother's grave, 'Because of you we will be glad and gay' would, no doubt have raised a laugh from Graeme, the second line, 'Because of you we will be brave and strong' rings true.*

Be strong, cousin, and come and see us soon. Soph sends you a BIG hug, and so do I, Diana

Aftercare Administrator - September 25, 2014 at 10:16 AM

AP

“ Dear Irene,
On behalf of our family and staff I would like to extend our deepest sympathies to you and your family for the passing of Graeme. He was a great person and I am sure he will be missed by many.



Love,
The Pelliccione Family

Arthur Pelliccione - September 24, 2014 at 04:10 PM



“ Dear Irene
I remember the fun we had at the Royal having dinner together. Graeme was always the epitome of a gentleman in my eyes (maybe it was the accent!). I am so sorry for your loss; I will try to make it on Saturday morning to join you for the memorial and give you a big hug in person.

Love,
Sabine

Sabine Schleese - September 24, 2014 at 02:53 PM

RL

“ Dear Irene
I send you wishes that you draw on your internal courage and strength and the support of others to facilitate your grief process. Wishes too that you honour the gifts from Graeme while he was on this earth walk with you, as well as the gifts he has left you with his crossing over to begin the next phase of his journey. Love and Light,
Ruth Lewis.

Ruth Lewis - September 24, 2014 at 02:02 PM

MH

“ Irene, I'm so sorry to hear of Graeme's passing. I know you enjoyed many good vacations at Thunder Beach and I know those memories and many, many others, will stay with you and comfort you in your loss. You'll be in my thoughts and prayers.

Marylou Heenan and family

Marylou Heenan - September 24, 2014 at 01:29 PM

CB

“ Irene - Sad news indeed to hear of Graeme's passing this week. I extend my sincerest condolences and know that you are in my thoughts. I always enjoyed Graeme's company and especially his humour whenever I was at your house! I hope we may meet at the symphony again sometime soon.

*Warm regards,
Colin Bird.*

Colin Bird - September 24, 2014 at 07:56 AM

BL

“ Dear Irene and Family, Dorann and I are so sorry to hear of Graeme's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. We will always remember Graeme's cheerful presence on the dance floor both in Toronto and Ottawa. Please accept our deepest condolences.

Bill and Dorann Low

Bill and Dorann Low - September 23, 2014 at 06:46 PM

JG

“ Irene,

*Although we knew it was coming, the finality
of it all is very hard to bear. I'm including a
poem I wrote that seems to help my friends
when they lose loved ones.*



THE NEXT STEP

*I no longer wonder where we go when we die
Our souls soar into the heavens with a soft and grateful sigh
The shell of our bodies are still with relief
We are now pure energy and can go where we please.*

*Universal knowledge tells us there is no need to question why
All of our burdens have lifted, we take heart and fly
To reunite with our loved ones who've gone on before us
A new world to explore awaits with a minimum of fuss.*

*It's not necessary to cry or to be sorry or sad
For our loved one has moved on which is reason to be glad
They are finally in a world with no more sorrow or pain
While we, the ones left behind, shed tears like rain.*

*Understandably, the tears are for us and the great loneliness we
feel
For we won't physically see our loved one again until we deal
With our own crossing over to the other side
And meet again, life is an unbelievable ride!*

*You can speak with your loved one, whenever, at will
Clear your mind, visit a special place or just be still
They will always be with you until you are together once more
Waiting to greet you as you walk through that Great Door.*

To be born, live and die are all our predestined choice

*So rejoice with me in a sweet melodious voice
Congratulations for taking the next step
You will be loved forever, just as you were on the day we first met.*

*Take good care Irene - my best to you and your family. See you
when you feel up to returning to choir.*

Sympathies,

Jan Goodwin

Jan Goodwin - September 23, 2014 at 05:38 PM

PH

“ *I am sorry to hear of Graeme's passing. I knew Graeme in the early '50s in Vancouver and continued the acquaintance when he and his family lived down the street from us in Toronto. We looked after each other's children and spent many New Year's Eve's together, alternating at our houses, with our children sleeping over while we had a splendid dinner at midnight,*

*I send my condolences to Alasdair and Fiona.
Pat Hodge*

Patricia Hodge - September 23, 2014 at 02:01 PM

VK

“ *I will miss his quiet, clever comments. My deepest condolences.*

Val Koziol - September 23, 2014 at 01:34 PM

MS

“ Irene ,so sorry to hear about Graeme,he was a great contributor to the success of a lot of advisors. I consider myself fortunate that I had the pleasure of knowing him .

Our thoughts are with you and your family.

Michael & Vera Sinclair

Michael Sinclair - September 23, 2014 at 11:12 AM

PS

“ We will miss his kind, gentle soul. Our deepest sympathies to the family at this sad time.

Pat and tim

Patricia Silver - September 23, 2014 at 10:55 AM

MV

“ My thoughts and Prayers are with you at t his difficult time. May you all find the strength to deal with your loss.

Maria Vieira

Maria Vieira - September 23, 2014 at 08:18 AM

VM

Irene, my thoughts are with you at this very difficult time. Remember, that memories will keep Graeme alive. Condolences to you and the family.

Vala

Vala Mruck - September 25, 2014 at 09:32 AM