



Joyce Elaine Jones

April 24, 1932 - June 15, 2026

Joyce Elaine Jones of Fond du Lac passed away at Eden Vista Memory Care Facility, Fond du Lac, on June 15, 2026, at the age of 94.

She was born April 24, 1932, in Stevens Point to the late William and Hazel (Rowe) Clausen. On July 9, 1950, she married David L. Jones at Rosendale Methodist Church in Rosendale. She revealed: "We lived on farms until 1957. It was the first time in a long time I had some stability in my life. Dave was my best friend. I taught Sunday School at the Rosendale Methodist Church. I soon had three children—before I was 21. We grew up together."

She was a member and Sunday school teacher for many years at Division Street United Methodist Church and then at First Presbyterian Church. A homemaker during her married life, she also briefly worked at J C Penney, Miles Kimball, and the Costume Closet as well as making alterations, sewing, and designing clothes for friends and family. For many years she did costuming for Fond du Lac Community Theatre.

Joyce's life was filled with love for family, friends, and elephants. Her welcoming door was open and always had a pot of coffee brewing. She enjoyed playing cards; reading; sewing; knitting; traveling; camping (Crivitz, Long Lake, and Mauthe Lake); celebrating birthdays; picnicking at Taylor Park in Fond du Lac and at our "farm" near Rosendale; watching sports (Packers, Brewers, Bucks, Badgers, tennis); as well as attending any activities in which her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren were involved.

She is survived by her children: Deanna (Paul) Lefeber of North Fond du Lac,

William (Mary) Jones of Fond du Lac, and Thomas (Isabel) Jones of Oconomowoc; her grandchildren: Cheryl (Nick) Clarenbach, Mark (Jessica) Lefeber, Jill Rimbey, Aaron Rimbey, David Jones (Katie Morris), Lindsay Jones (Josh Kraemer), Robertson Jones, and Margaret Jones (fiancé Steven Pulfer); and great grandchildren: Elise and Lorelei Clarenbach, Angus and Atlas Lefeber, Rachel Walker (fiancé Justin Davidson) and Norah Walker (partner Molly Johnson),. She is also survived by her sister Gertie Schiesl and sister-in-law Donna Jones.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, sisters Charlotte Burroughs and Evelyn Averbeck, half brother Jack Clausen, step brothers William Clausen and Raymond Clausen, and brothers-in-law Bob Burroughs, Ernie Averbeck, Jim Schiesl, and Roger Jones.

A memorial service to celebrate Joyce's life, with Rev. Dr. Craig Alwin officiating, will be held at 12:00 p.m. on Saturday August 1, 2026, at the First Presbyterian Church, 1225 Fourth Street, Fond du Lac. Visitation will be from 10:30 a.m. until the time of service. Cremation has taken place, and inurnment will take place at Rogersville Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers please consider donations in memory of Joyce to: Cystic Fibrosis Foundation or First Presbyterian Church, Fond du Lac.

Upcoming Events

Visitation

AUG 1. 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

First Presbyterian Church
1225 Fourth Street
Fond du Lac, WI 54935

Service

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