



Jess Willard Moore, Jr.

November 4, 1939 - October 20, 2012

MOORE, Jess W. Jr

1939-2012

Jess W. Moore, Jr passed from mortality at his home in Coronado, CA on Saturday, October 20, 2012 as a result of renal failure. His beloved wife of 31 years, Charlotte, and loving daughters, Stephanie Remick (Darryl) of Santa Maria, CA, Christina Davis (Matthew) of American Fork, Utah, Autumn Jennings (Joel) of Orcutt, CA, Leanna Watson (Matthew) of Buellton, CA and Jessica Zepeda of Salt Lake City, Utah, grandson, Miguel Ramirez of Patterson, CA and lifelong friend, Tom Dorff, were at his bedside. In addition to his daughters, Jess is survived by his 96 year-old father, Jess Moore Sr. of Amado, AZ, brothers John, of Sneedville TN, Charles of Arivaca, AZ, grandchildren, Alec and Maclaine Watson, Nicole and Alexandra Remick, Jade, Kimber and Jacob Davis, Porter and Isabella Jennings, grandsons Martin Zepeda, and Miguel Ramirez, great grandson, Adrian Ramirez, former spouse and mother of Leanna, Christina, Autumn and Stephanie, Lana J. Clark of Solvang, CA.

Jess was born in rural Sneedville TN, the third son of Jess and Eunice Moore. His family moved to Tucson, AZ when he was eight. He graduated Magna Cum Laude from the University of Arizona with a degree in accountancy in

1962 and began his C.P.A. career with a move to Los Angeles, CA to work for Touche, Ross, Deloitte, Haskins and Sells C.P.A firm. After working for several other firms, Jess moved to Solvang, CA and established his own successful C.P.A. firm which he sold in 1986. He later established another practice in 1991 in Carpinteria, CA and retired for a second time in 2003.

Jess was an active member of and centered his life around The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, which he joined at the age of 22. He gladly served in many leadership and teaching callings within the church. His volunteerism extended into many avenues as a Rotarian, President of the Solvang Chamber of Commerce, mentoring at risk youth, service on the Santa Barbara County Grand Jury and served four years on the Private Industry Council of Santa Barbara. He was a member of the Mensa Society and was currently a member of the Community Emergency Response Team as a HAM radio operator in Coronado, CA.

Rendered a paraplegic as a result of a spinal cord injury at the age of six, Jess was admired and respected for his cheerful countenance and his ability to focus on doing what he was able rather than what he was unable to do. He is described by one friend as the most able disabled man he has ever met. Jess learned to fly and soloed an airplane, learned to, para-ski when he lived in Utah, snorkled in Tahiti, enjoyed sailing in his young adulthood and was always ready for a road trip or new adventure with his buddy, Tom or his wife, Charlotte.

Jess accomplished many things in his life but his greatest joy and accomplishment is his family. He will be sorely missed but his family takes great comfort in their faith that they will all reunite with him in the future. They are cheered to know that he is standing tall and free of all the physical encumbrances he experienced during his lifetime. Earth has lost a bit of heaven with his passing and we are all infinitely richer for our associations

with him.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, October 27, 2012 at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1501 Linden Avenue, Carpinteria, CA at 10 AM. Interment will be at Oakhill Cemetery, Baseline Avenue, Ballard (Santa Ynez Valley) CA. A graveside dedicatory service will be held at the cemetery on Saturday, October 27, 2012, at 2 PM.

In lieu of flowers, those wishing to donate to charity may contact The Children's Heart Foundation- nationwide medical research for congenital heart defects <http://www.childrensheartfoundation.org/donate-now> or Intermountain Healing Hearts-a support group for families with congenital heart defects (based in Utah, Jess' daughter Christina helped found and serves on the Executive Board of Directors) <http://intermountainhealinghearts.org/donations>

Two of Jess' grandsons were born with and survived serious congenital heart defects. To share a memory or online condolences please visit www.wrhsb.com

Cemetery Details

Oak Hill Cemetery

2560 Baseline Avenue
Solvang, CA 93463

Previous Events

Funeral Service

OCT 27. 10:00 AM (PT)

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
1532 Linden Avenue
Carpinteria, CA 93103

Tribute Wall

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“ *Frank Sharon lit a candle in memory of Jess Willard Moore, Jr.*



Frank Sharon - January 19, 2014 at 04:34 PM

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“ *My husband and I were happy to know Jess in the Solvang ward and later in the Santa Barbara Stake where he came to talk to us in the Goleta Ward. We have such fond memories of him. I remember small children on his lap as he swung them around in his wheel chair. I remember him helping a young man in Scouts and they designed a wonderful car together for the Pine Wood Derby. We lost track of where Jess lived and and just found out he passed away. We have so many wonderful memories of he and his families. We send our best and a hug for you all....Frank and Sharon Stewart*

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