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“JW” was born on the farm in Clay County, IL. The 10th and last child of Richard Franklin and Lora Lavena (Turner) Webster. He and his family have been residents of Manassas, VA since 1976.

He was preceded in death by his son Mark Harrison, his parents, and all 9 brothers and sisters (Lora Marie, Richard Kenneth, Virginia Lee, Etta Louise, Marion May, William Harrison, Glen, Margaret, and Ethel Marlene).

He is survived by his loving wife and devoted sweetheart from the UK, Rita Elizabeth (Halladay), formerly of Northampton, England where they were united in marriage on February 21, 1970. Also surviving, daughter Rebecca Michelle Spann (Larry) of Nolanville, TX, grandsons Vincent Michael Jones of Centralia, WA and Nicholas Anthony Jones of Nolanville, TX, and numerous nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews.

“JW” was his preferred name during his 21.5 years in the Navy cryptologic community, retiring as a CTOCS, and 18 years civil service with Naval Intelligence SPINTCOMM, retiring as a GS-13. He was a veteran of Vietnam and Dominican Republic civil war (1965). He enjoyed working with associate peers at DIA, CIA, NSA, and other military services and DOD personnel. In these capacities he traveled extensively for security inspections and

communication upgrades planning. He traveled throughout the U.S., Asia, Europe, Iceland, the Caribbean and the Mediterranean for business and pleasure. His military awards consisted of five good conduct awards, Navy Unit Commendation, Meritorious Unit Commendation, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal (3), Humanitarian Service Medal (2), Naval Security Group Meritorious Service Award and numerous Civil Service awards while employed at Naval Intelligence.

His walk with Christ began at an early age in Clay County, IL and continued throughout his life. He was active in churches in Hawaii, CA, IL, and Manassas, VA where he was an elder and song leader. He enjoyed nature, hunting, and was an avid music lover. He sang at weddings from coast to coast, duets, quartets, choirs in high school, college, Navy boot camp and one season with the Washington National Cathedral choir.

He was a Banking and Finance graduate of Southwestern Junior College, Chula Vista, CA and an alumnus of Lincoln Christian University, Lincoln, IL. He was a lifetime member of the Fleet Reserve Association, the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association, NRA, GOA, NAHC, NWTF and other outdoor organizations. He was a charter member of Wildlife Forever, a member at large of Izaak Walton League of America and a member of the U.S. Naval Cryptologic Veterans Association.

Memorial service will be Saturday, May 18, 2024 12:00PM at the Manassas Church of Christ. Burial will be Saturday, June 1, 2024 12:00PM in the Shouse Chapel Cemetery family plot near Bible Grove, IL.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAY 18. 12:00 PM (ET)

Manassas Church of Christ
8110 Signal Hill Rd
Manassas, VA 20111

Burial

JUN 1. 12:00 PM.

Shouse Chapel Cemetery

Tribute Wall

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“ Jim and I were serving London from 1968 -1971 and he was my best man and likewise, I was his in our weddings to our wonderful British brides.
He was a GREAT friend and I will always treasure his friendship. All the best mate.

Shelton “Chess” Chesson - May 01, 2024 at 08:13 PM

JB

“ Jean and I have known the Webster family for many years and were both surprised and saddened by the news of Jim’s passing. I first met Jim in 1977 when, while in the Navy, we were stationed together. Living in close proximity to each other we took turns driving to work. Our wives also worked together at Annaburg Manor and for a short period of time I coached his son Mark. Our condolences to the family and as for Jim, we will remember him in our prayers. Fair winds and following seas my friend.

Joe and Jean Bacon - April 29, 2024 at 03:15 PM

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Rebecca Spann - April 26, 2024 at 02:33 PM