

## Obituary: Marvin T. Jones, Family Group 4 and PRA Honorary Member

We are sad to learn the PRA lost one of our founding Members on March 18, 2011. Rick Crume, PRA Group Leader for Group 17, posted a message on the PRA mail list today (4/23/11) letting us know of Marvin's death.

Marvin will be missed but certainly not forgotten. Marvin was one of the original founders of the Pennington Research Association. He served in almost every position on the Executive Board and contributed many articles and genealogical research to the Pennington Research Association. Marvin remained active in the PRA and continued to share his research work until a few years ago.

Marvin served as the official Historian for the Pennington Research Association and published two significant articles to help document the Pennington Research Association's history and the formation of many of its' Family Groups.

His articles were written in two (2) parts. Part 1 discusses the publications of the PRA and Part 2 discusses the Family Groups. Below are links to both articles.

[http://www.penningtonresearch.org/History\\_of\\_the\\_PRA\\_Part\\_1](http://www.penningtonresearch.org/History_of_the_PRA_Part_1)

[http://www.penningtonresearch.org/History\\_of\\_the\\_PRA\\_Part\\_2](http://www.penningtonresearch.org/History_of_the_PRA_Part_2)

Marvin was one of the first Members to contribute genealogical material to the new PRA Archives/Library when it was created. Several boxes of his material have been sent to the PRA Archives in the Lilly Library at Earlham College in Richmond, Indiana. Many of his articles and family history publications are included in the Pennington Pedigrees and the Pennington Periodicals.

The Pennington Research Association awarded an Honorary Membership to Marvin in 1999 in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the PRA.

Published Obituaries:

The Forum, Fargo, N.D. - <http://www.inforum.com>

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Marvin T. Jones. Wyndmere, N.D. Died Friday, March 18, 2011, at age 85 in Sanford Medical Center, Fargo. Survivors: son, Tom (Linda) Jones; daughter, Carol Jones; and sister, Juanita (Vern) Neff. Services: Visitation will be Thursday from 5 to 7, with a prayer service at 7, and Friday from noon to 1, followed by the funeral at 1, in United Methodist Church, Wyndmere. Burial: Elk Creek Cemetery, Wyndmere. (Vertin-Munson, Wahpeton, N.D.)

Daily News, Wahpeton, N.D. - <http://www.wahpetondailynews.com>

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Marvin T. Jones, 85, Wyndmere, N.D., died Friday, March 18, 2011, at Sanford Health in Fargo, N.D. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Friday, March 25 at the United Methodist Church, Wyndmere, with the Rev. Michael Ward officiating. Visitation will be from 5-7 p.m. Thursday, March 24 with a 7 p.m. prayer service at the United Methodist Church, Wyndmere, and also one hour prior to the service at the church. Burial will be at Elk Creek Cemetery, Wyndmere.

Arrangements are with Vertin-Munson Funeral Home, Wahpeton, N.D.