



## Jerry D. Ross

June 24, 1939 - February 28, 2020

Jerry Dale Ross, "JD", age 80 of Joliet, IL, departed to be with the Lord February 28, 2020. Jerry was born June 24th, 1939 in Switzer West Virginia. Born to Martin and Carrie Ross and raised by Oscar and Opal Dingess of West Virginia. In 1960 he married Velva Conley and later united in marriage to JoAnn King on October 15, 2005.

Jerry was a business owner of JD's Tire Clinic from 1979-1986 in his community of Joliet, IL. He later retired from 28 years of service at Ecolab in 2005. Jerry was also a former President of the East Joliet Sanitary District. His passion and love for Jesus Christ led him to sing Bass for the Gospel Group the "Happy Hearts". He loved Bluegrass and Southern Gospel music as well as the comic strip "Pickles" from the Herald News. He had a passion for writing gospel songs and poems. One of his published poems was titled "My Log Cabin Home".

Jerry is survived by two children Barry Conley and Terrie Casillas, 4 stepchildren Rev. Ed (Debby) King, Annette (Dick) Johnson, Joy Counts and Teresa (Mike) Hicks. He was Paw Paw to Amanda Calvert, Joshua Casillas, step grandchildren Christina (Zack) Freeman, Rev. Nathan "Nate" (Kelly) King, Brandon Hicks, Matthew (Amme) Hicks, Robert (Kelli) Spenard, Amy (Josh) Ware and Zack Counts. Great Grandpa to Kara Casillas, Angel Casillas, Saul Casillas, Makayla Calvert, Karissa Calvert, Owen Freeman, Braden Freeman,

Brooke King, Jordan King, Ashley Rossini, Kaley Rossini, Jaxin Hicks, Brextin Hicks, Lily Hicks, Olivia Spenard, Ben Spenard and Austin Ware. He was also Great-Great Grandpa to Jayden Casillas and Journey Casillas.

Jerry is preceded in death by his son Jerry Daren Ross, his first wife Velva Ross, his parents, four brothers and two infant sisters.

His family would like to say "Thank you" to everyone for their love, support and prayers. There will be a Memorial Service at Delgado Funeral Services Inc., 400 Landau Ave. Joliet, IL 60432. Visitation will be Tuesday, March 3rd, 2020 from 4-6 p.m., Service will be from 6-7 p.m.

Rev. Willie Sills Officiating and songs will be provided by Rev. Ed King. Special Thank you to Harmony Community Church under the leadership of Rev. Nathan King and First Gospel Community Church under the leadership of Rev. Linda Cooper.

Cremation rites will be accorded at Jerry's request and burial will be at a later date with his final Resting Place in the Conley Cemetery in Harts Creek, West Virginia.

# Cemetery Details

**Cremation Rites will be accorded**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

**MAR 3.** 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Delgado Funeral Chapel  
400 Landau Ave.  
Joliet, IL 60432  
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### Service

**MAR 3.** 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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## Visitation

MAR 3. 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Delgado Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Jerry D. Ross*



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**Delgado Funeral Chapel** - March 03, 2020 at 05:32 PM



“ *Delgado Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Jerry D. Ross*



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**Delgado Funeral Chapel** - March 03, 2020 at 04:29 PM

ME

*So happy that you were able to stream this. I wanted to be there in person so badly. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.*

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**Mary Elliott** - March 03, 2020 at 07:50 PM



*so sorry for your loss wish I could have been there prayers for you and family wanda*

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**Wanda Dotson** - March 04, 2020 at 10:55 AM



“ Jerry D. Ross

January 28, 2023 at 11:56 AM



“ Had a great road trip with uncle jd and aunt mo when they took me to West Virginia to meet my Carter/ Conley family 30 years ago



aaron self - March 04, 2020 at 05:57 PM



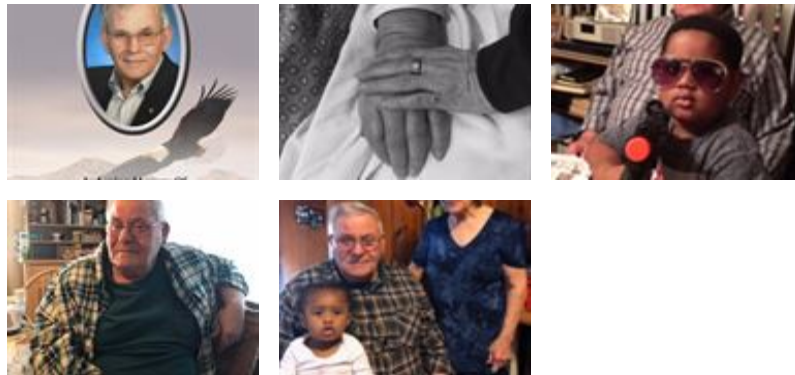
“ Wanda Dotson lit a candle in memory of Jerry D. Ross



Wanda Dotson - March 04, 2020 at 11:01 AM



“ 79 files added to the album LifeTributes



Delgado Funeral Chapel - March 03, 2020 at 04:41 PM

MD

“ We knew Jerry as "JD" Ross when we lived in Joliet. We had a gospel group called *The Happy Hearts quartet* of which JD was the bass singer. We loved his love for the lord and every word he sang came from his love for the Lord. We even recorded an album and 8 tracks with him as our bass singer. We loved him and we know he's now singin' in heaven. Praying for his family.

Mick & Ann Dunavent - March 03, 2020 at 12:09 PM

CE

“ Crystal Elliott lit a candle in memory of Jerry D. Ross



Crystal Elliott - March 03, 2020 at 11:53 AM

CE

*As a young child I can and will always remember the excitement minute by minute either waiting for you to arrive or for us to pull up to my Great Uncle Jerry's home. It was always an adventure for me to be able to connect with the entire family missing them so much while waiting impatiently as a child does. Regardless of who was visiting who I'll always remember him as a loving, humble and caring man. We would all gather around the kitchen listening to those old southern gospel songs his beautiful deep voice it was always a comfort. I loved them going back and forth wait remember that song they would sing the first line then one of them would finish it as they joined together. I know he loved his entire family. However, I know how much he loved the Lord and always longed to go home and be with Jesus whom he praised all the time. Uncle Jerry was truly an extraordinary man with a passion for singing. So as much as I will truly miss him I will take comfort that he is now praising Jesus in Heaven...praising and worshipping with those he missed dearly and had gone home before he did. I will always love and miss you! Look for me when its my time. I'll meet you at Jesus' feet then we will all stroll over Heaven as we always sang! Rest in peace! I am praying for his immediate family for comfort and peace.*

Crystal Elliott - March 03, 2020 at 12:48 PM

GC

“ Uncle JD like Aunt Mo were a big part of my late husband Raymond Carter and our family's life he was very much loved and will be missed.  
*Prayers of Comfort and strength for the family*



**Gwen (Carter) Clements** - March 02, 2020 at 05:10 PM

DH

“ Donna Hanshaw lit a candle in memory of Jerry D. Ross



**Donna Hanshaw** - March 02, 2020 at 04:37 PM

ME

“ Uncle Jerry will forever hold a place in my heart. He was a gentle man with a passion for Christ! I truly believe he's having a heavenly reunion with all those that have gone on before him.

**Mary (Tissie) Elliott** - March 02, 2020 at 01:30 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Jerry D. Ross.



March 02, 2020 at 01:17 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jerry D. Ross.*



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March 02, 2020 at 12:52 PM



“ *Claire Radtke sent a virtual gift in memory of Jerry D. Ross*



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**Claire Radtke** - March 01, 2020 at 06:59 PM



*Terrie I remember meeting your Dad when I first came to Corner Stone Service. I will remember how your family made me feel welcome. I will keep you in my prayers.*

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**Claire Radtke** - March 01, 2020 at 07:02 PM



*Thank you Claire*

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**Terrie Casillas** - March 02, 2020 at 12:28 PM



*I loved my Uncle Jerry. I can remember in the '60s and 70's, he and Aunt Mo and the kids always made it home just in time for Thanksgiving dinner. Good memories.*

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**wanda k. dalton-adams** - March 02, 2020 at 02:02 PM