

**MEMORIAL RESOLUTION  
FOR**

**JAMES ROBERT JONES, MD**

**I am honored to have been asked to present this memorial resolution for a long-time friend and colleague of mine and of many members of this society and indeed many in this audience this evening.**

**Dr. James Robert Jones, former Chairman and Professor Emeritus of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the New York Medical College, died of cardiac arrest on February 12, 2007 in Naples, Florida, at the age of 72. A proud Brooklynite, and a long time resident of Mendham New Jersey, he is survived by his wife, Priscilla Cooper Jones, his children, stepchildren and their spouses, all of whom he considered his very own; Michael and**

spouse Michele, F. Michael and spouse Mary, Leslie and her spouse Stephen, Laurieann and Christopher and his wife Cynthia. From his family, we are pleased to have with us this evening Dr. F. Michael Shaw, who is a practicing Obstetrician/Gynecologist in West Chester and the Chairman of ACOG's Section 7 in District II. Michael, please stand and be recognized. And those of you who knew Jim would, be certain that some of the greatest joy in Jim's life came from his ten beloved grandchildren. He is also survived by his first wife, Peggy, and pre-deceased by his second wife, Carolann.

Dr. Jones was graduated from De La Salle Institute, before earning his Bachelor of Science degree at Manhattan College. He received his medical degree from SUNY Downstate in 1960, did his residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology at the Long Island College Hospital, followed by a fellowship in Reproductive Endocrinology at the University of California at San Francisco. In 1969 he established the Division of Reproductive Endocrinology at SUNY Downstate and performed basic work there in the treatment of infertility. In 1974 he was appointed to the faculty of the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey- Robert Wood Johnson Medical

School, where he served as Chairman of Obstetrics and Gynecology until 1988. Dr. Jones was named Professor and Chairman of Obstetrics and Gynecology at New York Medical College in late 1988 and remained there until his retirement in 2005. He served as the Post Graduate Course Coordinator for District II of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, was President of this New York Obstetrical Society in 1985-86, and also in 1985 he received the Louis Hellman, M.D. Master Teacher Award from the SUNY Downstate Medical Center. Dr. Jones was an Examiner for the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology, a long time member of the Brooklyn Gynecological Society and a member of Alpha Omega Alpha. A prolific medical author he published over one hundred articles in peer-reviewed journals and fifteen book chapters, almost all related to his chosen subspecialty, Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility. He was passionate about medicine and an inspiring professor to countless medical students.

Jim was also a wonderfully engaging speaker. Some of you may have been present to hear his Presidential Address before this Society. Only Jim Jones could have addressed the topic of salt water

tropical fish making it pertinent to the organization and the occasion. With regard to this approach his wife Priscilla told me that Jim always said that to solve any problem, you must pick it up, turn it around and look at all its facets. Similarly, he felt that any knowledge or pleasure could serendipitously influence understanding or pleasure in something completely unrelated. He simply liked to challenge and to entertain. I was also told that during his tenure as president he did not want the meeting invitation to mention a Cash Bar, because "Gentlemen don't carry cash!" There were drinks, however, for which one could sign. The fact that these signatures were not decipherable led to the cash only requirement in later years.

Jim was also proud to have served his country in the Vietnam War from 1967-1969 where he directed a military hospital in the Mekong Delta. He was honorably discharged from the Army as a Major, decorated with the Bronze Star and Purple Heart Medals. He was a lifelong Democrat and a Brooklyn Dodger fan. His family has lost a true patriarch and its guiding spirit. He was a deeply loved husband, father, grandfather and friend. Jim was a doctor's doctor and a gentleman.

I request that this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this meeting and that a copy be provided to Dr. Jones' family

Respectfully submitted

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Richard H. Schwarz, M.D." The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Richard H. Schwarz, M.D.

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