



# John William Jolly

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**J**ohn W. Jolly passed away on February 2, 2020, in Dallas, Texas, at age 88. He was born on December 11, 1931, in De Kalb, Texas, to Ancel and Amanda Jolly.

John loved his family deeply. He was a tireless supporter of every activity that his children and grandchildren participated in, from coaching their youth sports teams to cheering them on at concerts and plays. After retiring from a long career as a national sales manager in the food industry, John devoted his life to helping people in need. He served his church and his community by volunteering for Ark House, Salvation Army, Stephen Ministry, and Meals on Wheels, as well as by leading exercise classes and a nursing home ministry. He will be remembered by his family and friends as a charming, funny, and caring man.

John was preceded in death by his dear wife of 61 years, Barbara Poole Jolly. He is survived by their 4 children and spouses Scott Jolly (Karlene), Russ Jolly (Deborah), Sharla Jolly (Rocky Franklin), and Jim Jolly (Bridgett); 10 grandchildren Zachary, Matthew, Sarah, Ramey, Jenni, Ariel (and her husband Ryan), Jewel, Jenna, James, and Jesse; 2 great-grandchildren Bradley and Elliott; and 1 beloved dog, Jellybean.

The family wishes to thank John's Nurse Next Door caregivers, especially Dominique, Teresa, Robert, and Heather.

Visitation will be Monday, Feb. 10, from 6 pm to 8 pm at Restland Funeral Home in Dallas, and a Celebration of Life service will be held at First United Methodist Church Richardson on Tuesday, Feb. 11, at 4 pm.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to Ark House: <https://www.arkhousedallas.org/>



# Events


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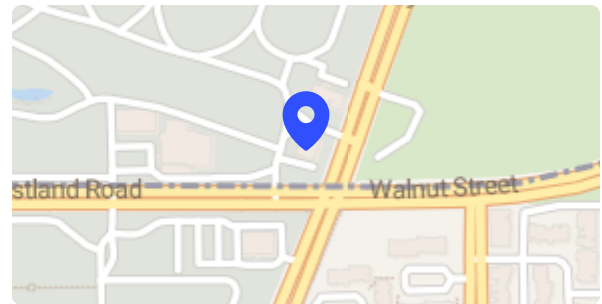
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## Visitation


 **Monday**, February 10, 2020

 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM CT


 **Restland Funeral Home & Crematory**  
13005 Greenville Avenue, Dallas TX 75243

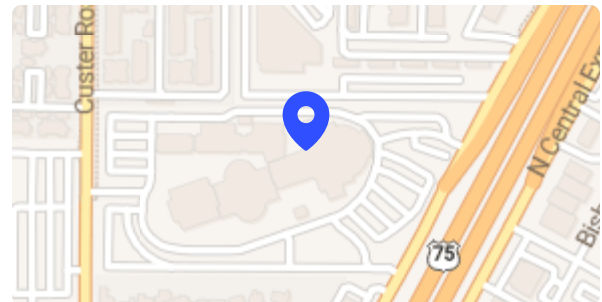


## Celebration of Life


 **Tuesday**, February 11, 2020


 4:00 PM CT

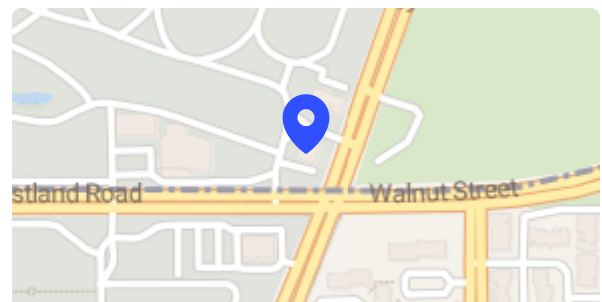
 **First United Methodist Church Richardson**  
503 N. Central Expressway, Richardson TX 75080



## Cemetery Details

 **Restland Cemetery**  
13005 Greenville Avenue, Dallas TX 75243

 **(469) 925-1436**





## Tribute Wall

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BB

**Bryant Barry** posted:

John was my first supervisor when I started with Anderson Clayton Foods as a new graduate. WE maintained a long friendship throughout our careers. John was an excellent mentor and an inspiration to be around. We used to take our baseball gloves on some of our trips and play catch at various hotels rather than hang out in the bars. Lessons I learned from John were with me through my whole career after that. I'm truly sorry about his passing as well as Barbaras. I'm sure you his kids heard many stories that he enjoyed telling over the years. He left a good legacy in many places and with many people I know he's resting in peace having fought the good fight his whole life and he's looking in on us with a gret deal peace and love. Bryant Barry

February 18 at 11:24 AM

CH

**Carolyn Hankins** posted:

John started the free senior exercise classes at Christ United Methodist Church which has grown from a small group to encompassing the entire gym. John recruited my husband and me for the Salvation Army truck that served food and drink to firemen during long hours of firefighting and to bell ringing in front of Frys during Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons. I will miss John and his unselfish community outreach.

February 8 at 12:05 PM

RW

**Rwj** February 9 at 4:12 AM

Thank you for the wonderful memories, Carolyn.

PQ

**Pete Quortrup** posted:

I'm sorry to learn of John's passing. He holds an honored place in my memory. About 20 years ago, my mother-in-law, Claudia moved to Plano from California and she eventually found a senior living place that she liked and moved in. She soon found there was no Sunday service at her place and along came John Jolly, who supported her efforts to hold weekly services there. He became a steady friend for the rest of her life and I'm certain this story is only one of many.

February 8 at 5:44 AM

RW

**Rwj** February 9 at 4:11 AM

Thank you for the lovely message, Pete.



## Tribute Wall

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**Love, Your Friends In Development** sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Jolly family.



February 7 at 11:43 AM



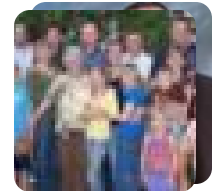
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February 7 at 11:33 AM



**Rwj** shared 2 photos to the **Memories** album.



February 7 at 8:54 AM



**Rwj** shared a photo to the **Memories** album.



February 7 at 8:47 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Jolly family.



February 7 at 6:40 AM



## Media

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John & Barbara



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Family



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# **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring John by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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