



## Edward Willis Jackson Jr.

March 24, 1936 - April 15, 2025

Edward W. Jackson, Jr. of Peoria, Illinois transitioned on April 15, 2025. Edward was born in Peoria, Illinois to Edward W. Jackson, Sr. and Kathlyn Gibson on March 24, 1936.

He was preceded in death by his parents, sister, Patricia Perry, brother, Donald (Ernestine) Jackson, son Michael Pollard, daughters, Jennifer Wright and Maria Coates.

Edward is survived by five children, Jennell Jackson, Lance (Felicia) Jackson, Brenda Jackson, Robin Tapley and Edward Jackson III, all of Peoria and one brother, James (Mary) Jackson. He leaves to cherish his memory a host of grandchildren, great grands, great great grands and many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Edward Jr. graduated from Manual training high school in 1955. He worked many years for the state of Illinois. He later worked for PCCEO in Energy Assistance as Director of weatherization and provided catering for PCCEO. Edward worked for the Peoria Housing Authority serving as a Director and for Afram Construction Company.

In his younger years his passion was riding motorcycles and he was an early member of the Atomic Jets Motorcycle Club where he served as treasurer. Later he fell in love with the game of golf where he was a member of the Progressive Golf Club in Peoria. He loved gatherings of family and friends and cooking.

Per Edward's wishes a private family memorial service will be held.

Thank you to all who have reached out and sent prayers to the family.

Rest in Peace Edward W. Jackson Jr.

# Tribute Wall

BJ

“ Q: What will you never forget about Edward?  
A: The way he loved his children, his kind heart and the fun we had growing up and through out our lives ❤️❤️❤️ we miss you dad 🥺🥺

Brenda Jackson - June 01, 2025 at 12:13 AM

PW

“ Prayers of love and strength for all of you ❤️🙏

Patricia Ward - May 10, 2025 at 09:08 PM

BJ

“ Love you ❤️❤️❤️❤️

Brenda Jackson - May 04, 2025 at 10:24 PM

BJ

“ Love you daddy we will miss you ❤️

Brenda Jackson - May 04, 2025 at 09:46 PM

MJ

“ Your friends and family will miss you ❤️ until we meet again 🥺🥺  
love you paw paw ❤️

Makiyah Jackson - May 04, 2025 at 09:42 PM

JE

“ Edward Willis Jackson Jr.

Jennell - May 04, 2025 at 07:16 PM

JE

“ Dad. I love and miss you. Hug mom for me.

Jennell - May 04, 2025 at 07:10 PM

AJ

“ I will miss you paw paw 🐾🐾❤❤

Amber Jackson - May 04, 2025 at 06:17 PM

BJ

“ Q: What will you never forget about Edward?  
A: I will never forget how you were the best dad ever. ❤❤❤❤❤❤ and now you are with the love of your life. Mom and dad back together again forever❤

Brenda Jackson - May 04, 2025 at 01:50 PM

GC

“*Resolution of Respect for the Family of the Late Edward Jackson Jr.:\n\nTo The Family of the Late Edward Jackson Jr.:\n\nAnd God shall wipe away all tears from their eye; And there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, Neither shall there be any more pain. For the former things are passed away. Revelation 21:4*

*\n\n\nGod hath not promised skies always blue, \nFlowers-strewn pathways all our lives through. \nGod hath not promised sun without rain, \nJoy without sorrow, peace without pain. \nBut God hath promised strength for the day, \nRest for the labor, light for the way, \nUnfailing and undying Love. \n\nWe the Pastor and members of Grace Baptist Church, Peoria, Illinois wants the family to know that our hearts are with you in the passing of your loved one. You have our sincere prayers. \n\n“Wait on the Lord, be of good courage and He shall strengthen your heart.” \nPsalm 27:14\n\nHumbly Submitted\n\nGRACE BAPTIST CHURCH\n405 N. Richard Pryor Place\nPeoria, IL 61605\n\nPASTOR C.L. WHITE JR.\n\nALNEIDA FORD, CHURCH SECRETARY*

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**Grace Baptist Church** - May 02, 2025 at 02:52 PM

BH

“*My condolences to the family during this time of sorrow. May you cherish the love and memories you shared with Ed. He will be truly missed.*

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**Barbara Hill** - May 01, 2025 at 12:06 PM

TB

“ Thank you Ed for taking a chance on little young me! It was because of you I started working at PCCEO where I served the community over 27 years! You lead by example and pushed me to be the best version of me. So many laughs, tears and memories. I remember stopping by and telling you I got a new job. I shared all the details and You said “Girl I’m Proud of You”! I will forever cherish that smile and kind words. Love you EJ

Tisha Wooten- Burnside - April 30, 2025 at 05:32 PM

RT

“ Daddy I will always love you. Your baby girl, Robin 

Robin Tapley - April 28, 2025 at 10:01 AM

VM

“ Dad Ed, one of the coolest, greatest, kind, thoughtful loving and generous addition dad shared through my sister friend, anyone could ask for. May you peacefully rest. Much love!\n\nVernessa (Vern)

Vernessa McCurdy - April 27, 2025 at 11:08 PM

FJ

“ Your example shaped the men we are today. We carry you in our spirit.

Felicia Jackson - April 27, 2025 at 09:41 PM

FJ

“ The best grandpa EVER!

Felicia Jackson - April 27, 2025 at 09:21 PM

FJ

“ Truly someone special to me. ❤️

Felicia Jackson - April 27, 2025 at 09:20 PM

FJ

“ Memories that will never be erased.

Felicia Jackson - April 27, 2025 at 09:16 PM

FJ

“ Four generations of Jackson love! ❤️ Dad, look at what you started.

Felicia Jackson - April 27, 2025 at 09:15 PM

FJ

“ Pillars in my life.

Felicia Jackson - April 27, 2025 at 09:11 PM

FJ

“ Our hero and our loving mom. Lance & Jennell

Felicia Jackson - April 27, 2025 at 09:09 PM

FJ

“ I love you, always. Granddaughter Christie

Felicia Jackson - April 27, 2025 at 09:06 PM

FJ

“ Together Forever-Great PaPa & Great Granddaughter Alaysia

Felicia Jackson - April 27, 2025 at 08:55 PM

BJ

“ To my handsome Daddy you will be missed. You were the first man I ever loved. Always there whenever I needed you, always protected us and loved all of your children. I will never forget the wonderful memories we made growing up you were the best dad a girl could have and I am forever grateful, blessed and happy that God chose you to be my dad. Kiss mommy for me and continue to get your rest. Love you for always❤️

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**Brenda Jackson** - April 27, 2025 at 07:30 PM

BJ

“ Love you daddy you will be truly missed ❤️❤️❤️🥺😭😭

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**Brenda Jackson** - April 27, 2025 at 05:48 PM

GR

“ Just as a young child I always remember when Mr. Jackson would ride his bike, pull in the front of the house and his son's, me and my brothers would just stand there talking to him. He made sure we stayed in line in the backyard and was respected by all of us in the neighborhood. When he moved his family to Kettles he welcome us like family as well sat downstairs. Condolences to all the family, May The Most High comfort you and strengthen your spirits during this time of grief. 🙏

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**Gregg Randle** - April 27, 2025 at 10:03 AM

NS

“ On behalf of our entire team, please accept our deepest sympathies, and know that we're keeping you in our thoughts during this difficult time.

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**Neighborhood House Staff** - April 27, 2025 at 09:41 AM

SB

“ So many memories and not enough time..... You will always hold a special place in our lives. Rest in Heaven Eddie, you will forever be missed \nStephanie and McFarland Bragg 🙏❤️

Stephanie Bragg - April 26, 2025 at 06:23 PM

DL

“ Ed came in my life at age 16!! We made many many memories and for that I'm forever grateful!!! Get ur rest Ed aka Paw Paw!! We will always remember and love you 💔💔💔😭😭🙏🙏

Danielle Aka Lilbit - April 26, 2025 at 01:33 PM

SC

“ Eddie,\r\n I am so very sad to hear of your passing, in tears I write; I first met you as a neighbor when I was very young living with my family on Martin Steet. I knew you then as a neighbor., but when I became an adult we became friends/ co-workers. We had some absolutely wonderful times hanging out, card parties, traveling to concerts ect.. Later in life there was distance due to this or that, but I have always kept our friendship in my heart ❤️ Rest Well Eddie you are loved and will be deeply missed. 🙏 \r\nYour friend,\r\nSonya Cummings

Sonya Cummings - April 26, 2025 at 10:16 AM

WG

“ To the FamilyOur deepest sympathy in the home-going of beloved father, Eddie Jackson. Praying for comfort, peace in your many cherished memories.

With our love and blessings, Mark and Shelley Gibson - April 26, 2025 at 08:01 AM

VR

“ *Mr. Edward Jackson Jr you lived your life and now may you REST IN PEACE!*

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**Virgie Ray** - April 25, 2025 at 10:42 PM

KM

“ *Rest In the Masters arms my dear uncle. Always know you were and will always be loved!\n\n\nYour niece\n\nKim*

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**Kimberly Moore** - April 25, 2025 at 04:16 PM

KM

“ *To my Uncle Eddie\n\nLord knows I will miss you. As the oldest of the crew I often think of how close we were growing up. My mom and Aunt Geneva were besties while you were the coolest Uncle on the universe. I'm grateful to God for allowing me to see that coolness before He called you in. Rest in the Masters arms my uncle. Give my mom a great big hug. \nLove you for your life\nYour niece, Kim*

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**Kim Moore** - April 25, 2025 at 04:12 PM

AJ

“ *We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Schmidt Haller Burial and Cremation Services*

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**A Memorial Tree was planted for Edward Willis Jackson Jr.** - April 25, 2025 at 11:11 AM