



## Jesse Stephen Dodson

November 19, 2009

Jesse (Steve) Dodson - age 56 of Dayton, Tennessee, formerly of Kingston, passed away on Thursday, November 19, 2009, in Chattanooga. Preceded in death by his father Jesse P. Dodson,

He is survived by his loving wife Margaret of Dayton and his adoring daughter Ashley Dodson of Chattanooga. He also leaves his mother, Norma Jean Dodson of Kingston; sister and brother-in-law, Dana and Ray Matlock of Oak Ridge; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Danny and Mary Malone of Collierville, Chester and Mavis Pack of Knoxville, and Marsha Harvey of Archdale, North Carolina; nephew, Mason Matlock; nieces, Cyndi Harrington, Melanie Allgyer, Melinda Harvey, Melissa Harvey, and Kendra Harvey; uncles and aunts, W.D. and Nina Bishop of Athens, Martha McDowell of Riceville, Don and Betty Dodson of Cleveland, Richard and Jeanette Dunn of Sacramento, California, and James and Ginny Dunn of Van Nuys, California; devoted Jack Russell companion, Shorty Dodson; and many cousins and a host of friends from all over.

Jesse was a colorful personality with many interests and hobbies. Besides being a car and motorcycle enthusiast, he was a nature and animal lover. Some of his most pleasurable times were spent fishing for trout at his place in Tellico. Jesse went to work for TVA in 1978 and was a senior instrument technician at Watts Bar Nuclear Plant and a member of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers. He leaves behind many cherished friends from his time with TVA. The family extends their gratitude to

all of Jesse's friends, relatives, and co-workers for their support and concern during this time. Jesse was a supporter of the Dayton Animal Shelter, and donations may be made to that facility at Dayton Animal Shelter, P.O. Box 226, Dayton, TN 37321. The family will receive friends on Sunday, November 22 at Luminary United Methodist Church, 3401 River Rd., Ten Mile, from 2:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M. with the service immediately following at 3:00 P.M. Kyker Funeral Home in Kingston is in charge of arrangements.

# Tribute Wall

TD

“ I am very sad to hear that Steve has passed away. I first met Steve at Roane County High School in 1970; we were in homeroom. We became good friends and spent a lot of time together during the next few years trying to make our Chevrolet's go faster. I worked at Holiday Inn and Steve worked next door at Scottish Inns. I can remember many a day and evening at Steve's house working on cars. His parents were always so nice and supportive. I can still see Steve's first Chevy II, then the Z-28 and the "Lil Illegal" Nova. It was such a simple time, when drag racing was true sport of Kingston and the Bounty Drive In was the place to be.

Like so many high school friends (and through a year or two at Roane State) we parted ways, each seeking our place in life. No matter how much time has passed, it is always a great feeling when I reminisce back to when Steve, Joe H., Scott P. and I would just ride around aimlessly sipping our favorite beverages, smoking cigarettes and solving all the world's problems.

Steve will always be in my thoughts and prayers. May this give some comfort to his loved ones in this time of sorrow.

Tom "Pac" Davis

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**Tom Davis** - December 18, 2009 at 12:00 AM

ST

“ My condolences to the entire family during this sad time. Though not an adult friend to me, I remember Steve fondly from our days as classmates. I know he will be missed and I hope knowing that others care and think so highly of your loved one will help you through each day, one day at a time.

Sincerely, Stephanie Tucker

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**Stephanie (Castle) Tucker** - November 23, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ Sorry to hear about Jesse he was a long time friend and co worker at Sequoyah. I enjoyed talking to him at every given chance. I will miss him and give the family our heart felt condolences.  
Tommy and Chris Floyd

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**Tommy and Chris Floyd** - November 22, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ Like Cindy, my family and the Dodson's were neighbors years ago in Kingston. There were a lot of kids on that street and we all played with each other. I also went to school with Steve and recently found pictures of our 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade class. I am truly sorry for your loss. Dana I remember you fondly and know your husband, Ray, as well. I wish I could be there for the funeral but distance makes that impossible. I will make a donation to Dayton Animal Shelter in Steve's name.

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**tara Scofield** - November 21, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ Margret and Family : Jesse was a true gentleman and caring person for all those he came to know. I know that your family will miss him as we all will. Rest assured that he remains with us in the spirit that he is and that he is in good hands at home now. May good bless us all with his comfort and love during this difficult time.

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**brian ziliak & leo ferrell** - November 21, 2009 at 12:00 AM

PP

“ May God be with you and your family through this difficult time.

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**Phil Pietrandrea** - November 21, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ Steve and I dated when I was a Senior in High School and Dana and I roomed together at college - this just breaks my heart so. Dana I miss you and wish I could be there tomorrow - I just found out and am too ill right now to get there. My dad will try to get there (he's in Chattanooga). You are all in my prayers and I am so very sorry for your loss.  
Linda

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**Linda Gullette Hudson** - November 21, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ Jesse and I worked together on evening shift at Sequoyah for a couple of years. I ordered stereo equipment for him and I in the mid-80's, which he told me still worked great. I haven't seen him 20 years but we talked a few months ago. We were going to hook up, but didn't get the chance. I am sorry for that. We were good friends and I will miss him.  
Brian Foley

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**Brian Foley** - November 20, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ I am sorry for your loss, you have a wonderful family, I work with Ray Matlock at Unitrac Railroad Materials.

*With Deepest Sympathy,  
Mary Ann Poore*

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**Mary Ann Poore** - November 20, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LY

“ *May God bless you and your family in this time of need.*

*You will be in my thoughts and prayers,  
Lee Young*

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**Lee Young** - November 20, 2009 at 12:00 AM

PF

“ *May God bless those surviving this deep loss. Your family will be in my prayers during this difficult period.*

*Perry Fezell*

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**Perry Fezell** - November 20, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CA

“ *My family and the Dodson's were neighbors years ago in Kingston. I have fond memories of playing with Dana and Steve. I am so sorry to hear this sad news. God Bless and comfort you!*

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**Cindy Arp** - November 20, 2009 at 12:00 AM