



## Mona Jackson

June 17, 1957 - November 18, 2013

Mona Jackson age 56 died suddenly at her home in Lakeland, FL on Monday November 18, 2013. She was a Harriman native and a graduate of Harriman High School. Owner of Jackson and Associates Advertising in Florida, Mona was a graduate of the Ringling School of Art in Sarasota, FL. She was a talented artist and had been bestowed numerous Addy Awards for her creative concepts for the advertising industry and her fine arts ability. Miss Jackson is preceded in death by her father Claude Ernest Jackson, grandparents Roy and Bonnie Melton & uncles Elbert and Johnny Melton.

### Survivors

Parents Buddy and Mary Holley

Sisters Jill Holley

Dina Jackson

Uncles Tom Melton

Steve Melton and their families

And other close family members

Mona will be missed greatly by those who knew and loved her.

Funeral 7 PM Saturday November 23, 2013 at Kyker Funeral Home in Harriman with Keith Nichols and Steve Parker officiating. Interment 2 PM Sunday at Roane Memorial Gardens. The family will receive friends from 5 to

7 PM Saturday at Kyker Funeral Home.

# Tribute Wall

CB

“ *Mona and Dina were my idols when i was growing up. I never saw them without a smile on their face and open arms waiting for a hug. They took me to disney world more times than i can count and i will never forget the great childhood memories they gave me. I hope you're livin' it up, up there Mona. I love and miss you.*

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**Cody Burnett** - January 26, 2022 at 04:06 AM

JF

“ *We did not know until yesterday of Mona's passing. The entire Harold Wallace family wishes to send sympathy to Mona's family. We enjoyed having Mona work with us years ago and will never forget how talented she was. You have our deepest sympathy.*

*Jean Wallace, John Wallace, Leslie Wallace Vargas*

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**Jean Wallace - Nashville, TN - friend** - April 03, 2014 at 12:00 AM

EM

“ I am so sorry to hear this news of Mona's passing. She has done contract work for the company I work for, Master Containers. We have become friends over the years. Recently I have been sending her coupons to help out with expenses. The week before Thanksgiving I also sent her a gift card from Winn Dixie to help with Thanksgiving. I have been trying to find Mona by phone, e-mail and went by her apartment twice today. When I got back home I told Beth in customer service had i couldn't find Mona. She googled Mona's name, then we found out. I am so sad at the news. Mona was so talented and she always exceeded on each task given. Mona' spoke of her family often with great affection. Her trip to Europe was definately a highlight of her life.

*I will remember Mona fondly and wish her much peace.*

*Regards,  
Elaine Kurau*

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**Elaine P. Kurau - Casselberry, FL - She did contract work for me. - December 06, 2013 at 12:00 AM**

JF

“ *...your sweet smile and enthusiasm will be missed!  
But we know you are in a far better place...  
my love and prayers to all the family ... Jane*

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**Jane Pierce - Lakeland, FL - Polk Ad Fed - November 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM**

MF

“ *Jill, Dina, Mary, and Buddy - I was so stunned to hear that we have lost Mona. She was such a sweetie all thru school and even working with her in our business; as you know she designed our company logo for us. Our thoughts and prayers are with you not only today - but the days to come. We will all miss her very much!!!!  
Mary Jayne and Warren*

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**Mary Jayne Long - Brandon, FL - Friend/Business** - November 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BN

“ *mona was a friend and classmate of 1975. a neighbor too with a smile we will never forget. the best picture she ever painted was her life. thoughts and prayers go out to her family. bradey aycock harriman tn.*

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**bradey aycock - harriman, TN - friend/ classmate / neighbor** - November 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ *Mary, Buddy, Dina and Jill,  
I am so sorry for your loss of Mona. She was a talented young woman. I can remember babysitting for you and that Mona and Dina giggled more than two little girls could. They never wanted to go to sleep and I was told that everyone was to be asleep when you got home. Sometimes it took bribery on the girls part. I remember Mona and Dina keeping the sidewalk hot between our house and Grandmother Bonnie's with bicycles and just running around. She as your daughter and sister and her talents will be terribly missed.  
Prayers to you in the days to come.*

*Kathie Long Parks*

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**Kathie Long Parks - Kingston Springs, TN - Friend and former babysitter** - November 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BT

“ *Buddy & Family,*

*So sorry to hear of your loss. Please accept my deepest sympathy and sincerest condolences.*

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**Bobby Hodge - Kingston, TN - November 23, 2013 at 12:00 AM**

KF

“ *Mary, Buddy, Dina, and Jill, I am so sorry to hear about Mona. I agree with all who spoke of her smile. It was always there. Thinking of you all.*

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**kim Henley Kennedy - kingston, TN - friend - November 23, 2013 at 12:00 AM**

MC

“ *Sincerest condolences. May God bring you comfort in this time.*

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**Melissa Nichols - Lakeland , FL - Co-worker - November 23, 2013 at 12:00 AM**

MF

“ *My thoughts and prayers go out to Mona's family and friends. Mona was a great person always greeting you with a beautiful smile. May she rest in peace, and may God bless her family with grace and love.*

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**Mary Gamble Rhodes - Vero Beach, , FL - friend - November 23, 2013 at 12:00 AM**

RF

“ I'm sure we met before but my first memory of Mona was around 3 or 4 years old. I remember Mona, Mary Mac and me. Either some sort of Day Care situation or a cage fight, don't know. We had a blast. The thing I remember the most from that meeting is Mona's face, that smile and those eyes. Beautiful. That is what you see when you would see Mona. Happy, mischievous, mad, scared, ornery, determined, or kicked back, the smile and the sparkle in the eye was never far away. And after a lifetime together as friends, for me, it never will be. Hard to believe that these next minutes or years will be without Mona keeping the herd together. I'm thankful for the artwork we have and thankful for the friendship and memories. Mona, you were one of a kind.

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**Rob Wimmer - Austin, TX - Friend** - November 23, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ *Mary, Buddy, Dina, and Jill,*

*My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. Mona was a great person and was one of my favorite role models growing up. She was always full of life, and I cannot ever remember her being sad or mad. She always looked out for us growing up, and I respected her very much. I will miss her. She was a very beautiful and talented person.*

*Bobby Qualls*

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**Bobby Qualls - Knoxville, TN - Friend** - November 23, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ *It is with great sadness that we say goodbye to our wonderful friend and co-worker, Mona. You will forever be missed. Thoughts and prayers go out to the family.*

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**Bob Hughens - Plant City, FL - Co-Worker** - November 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PT

“ You are in our thought and prayers.

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**Peggy & Amy Sexton - Harriman, TN** - November 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ I am so very sorry for your loss. Mona was a great person and will be sorely missed. My thoughts and prayers are with you; may God bless and comfort you at this time. Luke 12:34

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**Marty Yassemedis - Oak Ridge, TN - friend** - November 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TC

“ There are no words for the loss of Mona...She was always so helpful and cheerful when I needed a hand with my clients requests etc. My thoughts and prayers are with those closest to her. My sincere sympathy. We have an angel watching over us.

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**Tina Richmond - Lake Wales, FL - Co-Worker** - November 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BT

“ You have our sincerest condolences regarding your unexpected loss. We are out of town and will be unable to attend the services, but please accept this message as a token of our respect.

*Bobby Barbara*

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**Bobby & Barbara Tidwell** - November 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Dear Family,

*I am so sorry to hear about Mona, we worked together years ago at the Bank in Harriman. The wonderful memories of her have remained with me down thru the years, so glad to have found her on facebook a few years ago. Praying for you all during this very difficult time.*

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**Jane Kring Harmon - Harriman, TN - Former Co-Worker** - November 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ *Mona brought beauty to everything she touched. Heaven just got a whole lot more beautiful! The Lord blessed her with incredible talent and until we see her again we can take comfort in the paintings of the evening skies and the morning sunrises created by her master teacher as a reminder to all of us that we are here for just a little while and he expects us to live like Mona, using the talents he gave us and spreading the joy and laughter that Mona brought into a room. Dina, darlin, my heart goes out to you. Know that you are in our prayers be strong and lean on the promise! Mark*

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**Mark LaMons - Lakeland, FL - Friend** - November 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ *Mary and family,*

*I am so saddened by Mona's untimely passing. When I think of her, I always remember a smiling face and a kind and extremely talented person. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers.*

*Lillian Stevens*

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**LILLIAN Lyles Stevens - Kingston, TN - Friend** - November 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ Mary, Buddy and family, I am very sorry for your loss. Mona was a great person, who I enjoyed having in the band. Please accept my condolences.

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**Al Cheatham - Lewisburg, TN - Friend** - November 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JN

“ Buddy and Family, I am so soory for your loss. You guys are in our prayers.  
Respectively, Jimmy & Karen Whalen

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**Jimmy Whalen (USEC-K-1600) - Kingston, TN - None** - November 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MU

“ Very sorry to hear of Mona's early and untimely passing.

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**Mark S. Joiner - Kingston, TN - Retired USEC** - November 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ Oh, Mona! A beautiful light in our world has been extinguished, but I know that you are shining BRIGHT and BEAUTIFUL as one of God's newest and most creative angels. Heaven has just gained one heck of an artist; I'll notice your influence whenever I see a beautiful sunset. or gorgeous sky Thank you for brightening our world while you were here. Until we meet again ... Love, stacy.

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**Stacy Smith - Lakeland, FL - Former co-worker** - November 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ Buddy, Mary, Dina & Jill,  
We are both saddened and still in shock over the news of Mona's passing. I have so many great memories of time spent with Mona. Most include time spent in the studio out back. We had so many great times out there. Mona did a collage page in the 1975 Annual which was also included in the 1976 and I had it out last night looking at all the things she had included. Each little drawing has so many special memories. Charles and I are praying for the peace that you all need in your loss.

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Charles & Cheryl Laxton - Kingston, TN - Friend - November 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ I have awesome memories of Mona Jackson and there are way to many to share.  
We have been friends for many, many years! I am going to miss her not only as a co-worker but as a friend and her calling the office or video chatting! Just yesterday I was watching some video footage and photos and caught myself smiling and crying! Mona was an extremely talented artist and I have not met anyone yet who could be compared to her ability. Mona Jackson thank you for helping me make In The Field Magazine what it is today. I love you to heaven and back.  
Karen Berry

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Karen Berry - Plant City, FL - Friend - November 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ *The family is in my thoughts and prayers. May love, peace and comfort surround you and beautiful memories remain in your hearts.*

*Mona and I reconnected after thirty some years and it was as if no time had gone by.*

*I spoke with Mona two times last week and she and I were laughing. I have spent many visits with Mona over the last six months and we always had a fun time telling stories of when we grew up together. She was a great friend and I will truly miss our phone conversions and visits.*

*Heaven has gained a truly special and talented person.*

*Your friend, Cheryl Baughman*

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**Cheryl Baughman - Palm Coast, FL - friend** - November 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ *Mona was a joy to be in a class with, or just eat lunch with. I don't think I can ever remember her not smiling or finding the humor in everything. She took her art seriously, but as her work often showed - it was her joy, her passion.*

*Well done Mona, your big smile will be missed.*

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**Martha Roberts - Harriman, TN - high school friend** - November 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ To the Holley family and to the Jackson family, you are in my prayers during this most difficult time.

*I'm so sorry for your loss. It was such a shock to hear of Mona passing at such a young age of 56. Mona was my friend and my cousin. My father Rufus Houston "R.H." Ladd (Mona's Grandmother Lucy Jackson's brother) also passed so many years ago at the age of 56.*

*Mona visited Jill in Houston several years ago, she gave me a call, so we all met for dinner. All three of us were in much need of some good old girl talk and laughs. Mona had the most wonderful laugh.*

*At our 10 year class reunion, Mona took time and sketched every senior picture from our Class of 1975 Annual. I still have mine, and I treasure it.*

*She was one in a million.*

*May God Bless You.*

*Respectfully,  
Sharon Ladd-Hutson*

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**Sharon Ladd-Hutson - Channelview, TX - Cousin** - November 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ *Mona was such a friendly person in school. She had such a great talent as an artist. She will be missed by many.*

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**Kathy Mayton Epton - Harriman, TN - high school classmate** - November 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ *Mona was special person with lots of love and concern for everyone. She will be missed, but the memories of her will always be with me.*

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**Al Berry - Plant City, FL - Friend** - November 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ *Buddy and Mary, So sorry to hear of your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

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**Joe and Judy Jones - Rockwood, TN - friend** - November 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ *Buddy, Mary, Dina, and Jill-*

*So sorry to hear of your loss. Please know that we will keep all of you in our thoughts and prayers.*

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**Scott and Lori Mason - Harriman, TN - Family friends** - November 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM