

John Pidding Jones,  
His Ancestors and Descendants

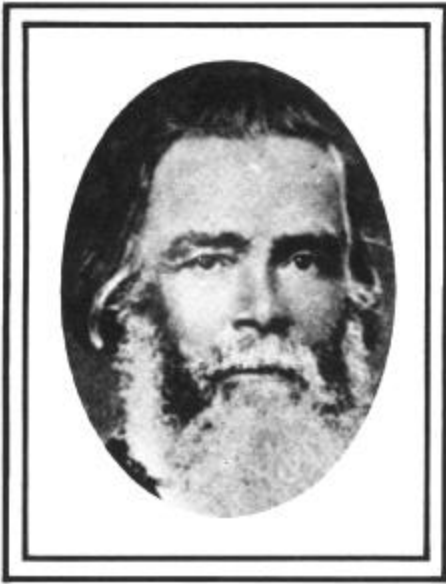
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DEDICATED TO

John Pidding Jones who joined the Church in England when he was a young man, and to Margaret Lee, his wife, who stood beside him through all those days of trials and hardships, and who came to this great land for the sake of the Gospel of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. We, their descendants, will be ever grateful to them for the great heritage they left us.



John Pidding Jones



Margaret Lee Jones

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## OUR PIONEER FOREFATHERS

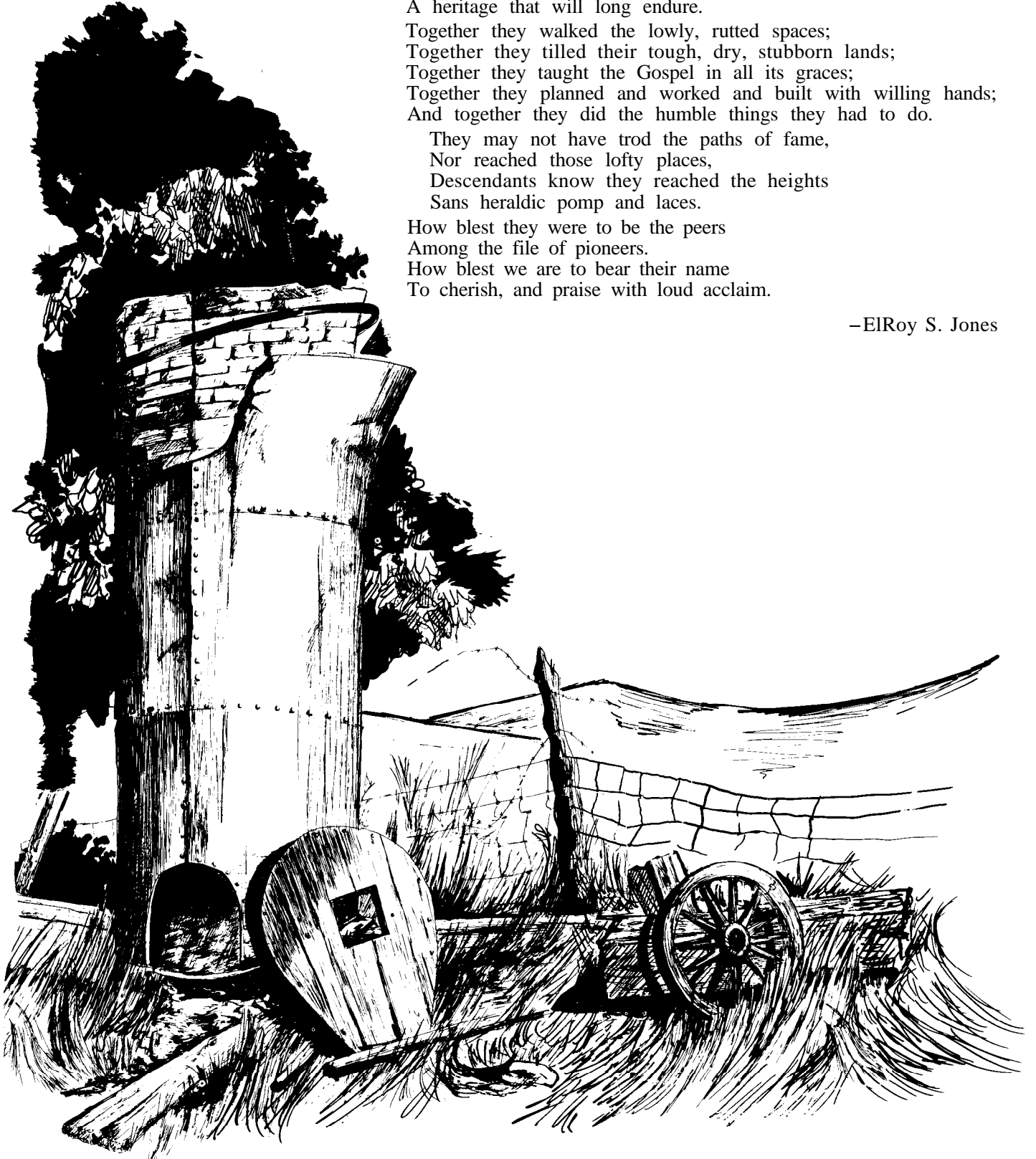
The paths of fame, the high and lofty places,  
Were not for them. The hero ranks were few.  
Words fail to tell our gratefulness  
For the heritage they left us,  
A heritage that will long endure.

Together they walked the lowly, rutted spaces;  
Together they tilled their tough, dry, stubborn lands;  
Together they taught the Gospel in all its graces;  
Together they planned and worked and built with willing hands;  
And together they did the humble things they had to do.

They may not have trod the paths of fame,  
Nor reached those lofty places,  
Descendants know they reached the heights  
Sans heraldic pomp and laces.

How blest they were to be the peers  
Among the file of pioneers.  
How blest we are to bear their name  
To cherish, and praise with loud acclaim.

—Elroy S. Jones



# Foreword

It has been a pleasant and rewarding experience to have had the privilege, during the past three and one half years, of working on the John Pidding Jones book. Each contact I have made with my relatives in trying to stimulate them to begin to write their sketches and gather their material has made me aware of our wonderful family. The telephone calls, the letters written and the trips made have contributed greatly to my store of pleasant memories about my kin. The time is ripe for this book to be published. We are admonished to prepare our Books of Remembrance. This is a good repository of the facts you will need for it. In the ancestry chapter you will find pedigree charts and family group sheets showing the Jones line from father to son in an unbroken line back as far as our research has gone – to 986 A.D.

In a production of this nature and magnitude, imperfections are highly possible. Errors creep in, especially in the realm of copying and writing dates. I have admonished everyone, by way of the Jones Bulletin, who were preparing material, not to guess about dates, and that the responsibility of the accuracy of these facts rests upon those who submitted them. A great deal of time has gone into editing, revising and proof-reading the biographical material and some histories have been shortened, but an attempt was made to preserve the kernel of each story.

When you receive your copy of the book and you should find an error, *please write in the correct data* that your posterity might be rightly informed. On some pages you will find blanks left for you to supply the information not submitted. Fill in these blanks so your genealogy will be complete.

Through the generations of our ancestry, we have inherited and recorded a spirituality which is

a great strength in our lives. And this is part of our precious heritage. By reading the pages of this book you will come to know your relatives, and, I am sure, you will be amazed at the size the Jones family has attained in just 130 years. In your immediate families keep your ties warm and active that your affections may not become estranged.

The plan of this book is simple. Each son or daughter of John Pidding Jones constitutes a chapter where all the descendants of that child are recorded, one complete family after another down to the last. Each chapter ends with one or two family group sheets, which adds to the value of the book.

The following abbreviations and space savers have been used: b - born; d - died; md - married; dau - daughter; s - son; LDS - Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Explanation of the code or the lettering and numbering system used: The capital letters indicate the generation: A - John Pidding Jones; B - Child of John Pidding Jones; C - Grandchild of John Pidding Jones; D - Great-grandchild of John Pidding Jones; E - Great-great-grandchild or 5th generation; F - Great-great-great-grandchild or 6th generation; and so on. The numbers designate the place of each child in his family. For example, if the child has the number of D4, you would know he is the fourth child in his family, and the D indicates he is of the fourth generation from John Pidding Jones.

Study this system of numbering and you will be able to see a family picture of parents and children, and each child's position in the family and his relation to John Pidding Jones.

Thank you all for being so helpful. The only pay you could give me is that you might be pleased and benefited from this book.

– ElRoy Smith Jones





# Acknowledgements

When the work of assembling the material for this book began in October 1968, I felt that if I could find a key person in each family who could be assigned to supervise and gather the material for his family, it would facilitate the work. With the help of Vern A. Jones, our family organization president, persons' names were listed who might help. From this list certain names were chosen. I either visited or wrote to these people and explained what I would expect them to do. I received a great deal of encouragement for all who were asked accepted the call to help. None of us knew of the magnitude of the work that would be involved. I want to acknowledge the following who spent a great deal of time and effort in the call made: To each of the granddaughters and grandsons of John Lee Jones and his first wife, Rachel, who worked to obtain and assemble the material for each of their families. To Grace Jones Smith who worked with her mother's family. To Elsie Jones Peacock who supervised the work and wrote many of the sketches of Sylvester F. Jones families and to Susanna Jones Dalley who helped her, and to William T. Pryor who prepared some of the material for his grandfather's biographical sketch, and all the others who helped Elsie. To Clara Jones Neilson who did the greater share of the work on Frederick I. Jones family. To Arvilla Higbee Day who did most of the work on the Elizabeth Jones Perry family. To Vern A. Jones for his help on the Hyrum Jones family and for the letters he wrote to stimulate certain members outside his family to prepare their material. To Rula Dalley Houston

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It is regrettable that a few descendants did not respond to the many letters and pleas for the needed information. Therefore their children's and grandchildren's names are not in the book. I am very disappointed and unhappy about this because the book is not complete with their names missing.

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