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RUSSELL A. JONES

Russell A. Jones, 83, Whitewaof ter, died Sept. 2005. 27. at Fairhaven.

He was born Sept. 23, 1922, in Eagle, to the late Dennis



and Eva (Smith) Jones. He graduated from Palmyra High School in 1940 and entered the University of Wisconsin-Madison. In 1943 he was transferred to the University of Notre Dame as part of the Navy V-12 program. He became a midshipman/officer at Harvard University in 1944 and received his commission as an ensign in the U.S. Navy. He married Doris Thayer on July 1. 1944, at the Harvard Chapel.

During a 30-year career in the

U.S. Navy he rose to the rank of captain. He served on the U.S. Navy ships USS Sylvania, USS Franklin D. Roosevelt and USS Simon Lake. His career included duty as an instructor at the U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md.; staff of the chief of naval operations, Pentagon; and U.S. Naval War College, Newport, R.I. While in the U.S. Navy he earned the degree of master of business administration at the Harvard Business School and received the Meritorious Service Medal. Upon his retirement in 1972, he was commanding officer of the electronics supply office, Great Lakes, Ill.

He accepted an appointment as an instructor at the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater after retiring from the U.S. Navy, and in 1976 became director of small business and outreach at the University of Wisconsin-Extension in Madison. He retired in 1984 as assistant dean, Great Extension.

He served as moderator of the Congregational Church in Whitewater, director on the board at Fairhaven and president of the Palmyra Historical Society.

He is survived by his wife, Doris of Whitewater; a son, Craig (Treen)

of Fairfax Station, Va.; grandchildren, Jonathan Frankel and Jennifer and Andrea Jones; and a sister, Marilyn (Robert) Rowland of Waukesha.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Barbara Frankel.

Funeral services were held Oct. 1 at the Congregational United

Church of Christ in Whitewater. Burial was at Hillside Cemetery in Palmyra with full military honors.

If desired, memorials may be made to the Congregational Church, Fairhaven or Palmyra Historical Society.

Mealy's Funeral Home in Palmyra served the family.