



## Dr. George William Jury

August 7, 1936 - February 27, 2026

Dr. George William Jury died February 27, 2026, at the age of 89 and went to join his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Dr. Jury was born August 7, 1936 in Borger, Texas to Albin Eugene and Bessie Cathryn Bynum Jury. The family moved to Hereford Texas in 1942 where he attended school through the 9th grade. The family then moved to near Fair Play, Missouri in 1952, where he attended high school at Stockton, Missouri, graduating in 1955. With the help of several scholarships he attended the University of Missouri at Columbia majoring in Pre-Veterinary Medicine. He was accepted into the School of Veterinary Medicine for the fall of 1958 and graduated with his degree, Doctor of Veterinary Medicine in 1962. He met the love of his life, Patricia Ann Baskett in 1956 and they were married in 1958. Three children were born, Lucretia Lynne, Jeffrey Mark, and Bradley Scott, while Pat worked full time to support this family through the 4 years of veterinary school.

After graduation, Dr. Jury took a job with the USDA Disease Eradication Division out of Austin, Texas and the family lived in Fredericksburg, Texas through September 1963, when Dr. Victor Kothmann offered him his first private practice opportunity in Mason, Texas, a position that was only available for one year. From 1964 to 1967 he was associated with first, Dr. Valton Cox, then Dr. David Williams in Lubbock, Texas. He established his own private practice in 1967, Southwest Animal Clinic, restricting the practice

to dogs and cats. He felt like God called him to this ministry of serving people in this way. He retired in 2024 after practicing 62 years.

He and Pat joined Monterey Baptist Church in October 1964 and have served the Lord there since. Pat served in the music ministry as church organist for over 59 years. Dr. Jury accepted Christ as his Savior at 11 years of age in the Sunday School of First Baptist Church at Hereford, Texas, due to the influence of his mother and two Sunday School teachers, Mr. Tandy Legg and Mr. Gordon Slaughter.

Dr. Jury has been involved in promoting his profession, serving as a district director from the South Plains for many years in the Texas Veterinary Medical Association, then, was elected to every office in the TVMA, becoming President in 1986. He was a firm believer in continuing education and was a charter member of the Texas Academy of Veterinary Practice. Locally, he was a member of the South Plains Lions Club and served two six year terms on the Lubbock City/County Health board in 1970 and again in 1986. In 2018 he was recognized as Alumnus of the year by the University of Missouri, College of Veterinary Medicine.

His interests outside his beloved profession include running, birdwatching, hiking, camping, gardening and bicycling and carpentry.

He joined the West Texas Running Club in 1978 and ran in his first race with the group in 1979 and completed his first marathon in May 1980. He loved the social atmosphere and the people also involved with this sport and strived to improve on his personal records for each distance. He continued to improve on his personal times until he hit his bests, beginning at age 49. At the time of his death he still held 30 of the 36 age group records he set from age 49 to 60. An illness, then an injury from a bicycle accident put an end to his running, but he has continued to volunteer with the West Texas Running Club for many years to encourage others to participate and stay physically fit. (Between 1978

and 1996 he logged over 32,000 miles running!)

He considered himself a naturalist, conservationist and environmentalist. He was a member of the Nature Conservancy, Native Plant Society of Texas, National Parks Association, National Audubon and the Llano Estacado Audubon Society, and the National Wildlife Federation. His and Pat's yard/garden consisted mainly of native plants and wildflowers and was recognized on many occasions for being water conserving.

He is survived by his wife of 67 years, Pat, daughter Lynne Jury, of Cedar Park, sons, Jeffrey of Fountain, Colorado and Brad of Lubbock, grandson, Peter Menchu, and nephew Victor II and his wife Mary.. He was preceded in death by a sister, Florence in 1933, brother, Gene Ray, brother, Victor, brother, Maurice at 100+ in 2021, his parents, and his beloved son in law, Andy Menchu.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to  
Christian Veterinary Mission or South Plains Wildlife Rehabilitation  
Post Office Box 5888 3308 95th St.  
Lynwood, WA 98046-9906 Lubbock, TX 79423

# Cemetery Details

## Miller Crematory

202 Avenue Q  
Lubbock, TX 79415

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

MAR 6. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Monterey Baptist Church  
3601 50th Street  
Lubbock, TX 79413

# Tribute Wall

LS

“ Dr. Jury was indeed a very special man. He was caring, compassionate and always available any day, any time. I know we all were so sad to see him retire, but no one deserved a nice retirement more than Dr. Jury. After his retirement, my 13-year-old Maltese, Ringo, had one of his eyes become infected. Dr. Jury had tried for years successfully to save the eye. But it was time to remove it. Dr. Jury insisted on removing Ringo's eye, and seeing him through his life. We were grateful to Dr. Jury for our pets over the years, and even more grateful for the friendship we had with him and Pat (and Terry.) There will never be another one who cared the way Dr. Jury did. After he retired, he gave us our pet's chart, and I was so impressed by all the personal, handwritten notes from Dr. Jury. He truly cared, and he will be truly missed by many.

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**Lori & Donald Spoon** - March 11 at 04:28 PM

LS

“ Lori S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dr. George William Jury.

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**Lori S.** - March 11 at 04:18 PM

LB

“*Darrell and I had the honor of attending church with George and Pat for many years. We also took our animals to George for over 20 years. George was a kind, faithful and compassionate man. I recall when one of our Dobermans became urgently sick...George had us meet him at the clinic, and while the news he shared with us shattered our hearts, he delivered it as quickly, clearly and calmly as he could. He cared deeply in the manner with how animals were cared for, and was able to allow us time to hold him and love him as George helped him pass peacefully. He always had a quiet strength about him and a gentle spirit. We'll miss you George but know we'll see you again. Or thoughts and prayers are with you and the kids Pat.*”



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**LaHonda Boyce** - March 06 at 12:32 AM

DB

“*Dr. Jury was and admirable and outstanding man in everything that he did. He cared lovingly and skillfully for our pets for many years. He will be missed. May God bless and comfort his family at this time.*”

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**Dan and Cathy Blackwe** - March 05 at 04:46 PM

JL

“*Jessica L. purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Dr. George William Jury.*”



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**Jessica L.** - March 05 at 12:49 PM

JL

“ Jessica L. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dr. George William Jury.

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SM

“ Dr Jury had been our veterinarian since 1967. We missed him so much when he retired. Pat and family are in our thoughts. RIP Dr. Jury.  
Sincerely, Sue Mouser

Sue Mouser - March 04 at 09:27 PM



“ Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Dr. George William Jury.



March 04 at 04:25 PM

TB

“ Dr. Jury was one of the kindest men I have had the privilege to have known. He cared for our pets with compassion, both for them and for us. I have many memories of him with the West Texas running club as he served the club, encouraged other runners and set a blazing fast pace. He will be remembered with love and gratitude.



Tracy Baugh - March 04 at 11:07 AM