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## **David Jones, Geologist, Avid Climber, Caver, Kayaker and Guitar Player**

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David McKinlay Jones passed away in his home in Tucson on Dec. 27, 2021 from unknown natural causes.

Born in 1956 and raised in Darien, Dave graduated from Dartmouth and the University of Arizona with degrees in geology. Over his 40-year career he became a leader in Mexico's gold exploration industry.

Dave was an avid climber, caver, kayaker and guitar player. Known for his sense of humor, boundless energy and quick mind, David approached life with zeal.

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He was preceded in death by his parents, Alex and Elizabeth Jones; and his brother, Douglas Jones. He leaves behind his wife, Jacqueline Briseno Rodriguez; a stepdaughter, Jackie Ortiz; a brother, Peter Jones (Sarah Holland); niece, Aspen Jones; two nephews, Nicholas and Andrew Jones; and many cousins, friends and colleagues.

— [This obituary](#) from the Arizona Daily Star was published on Legacy.com, where online condolences may be left.