## **Mr Keith Jones**



The degree of Master of Arts (honoris causa) was conferred upon Keith Jones at a ceremony held in 1998.

## Citation

Presented by the Vice-Chancellor and Principal Professor Gavin Brown

Chancellor,

I have the honour to present Keith Jones for the conferring of the degree of Master of Arts (honoris causa).

Keith Jones began his career at the University of Sydney on 15 September 1941. He served with the Royal Australian Airforce from 14 July 1943 until 2 October 1945, rising to the rank of Warrant Officer and serving on dangerous missions with the elite Pathfinders group.

After returning to the University Keith Jones undertook numerous administrative tasks, particularly in the Accounts Branch assuming growing responsibilities and progressively rising until, in 1974 he became Senior Staff Officer (Superannuation). He continued in that important role until retiring in July 1980 after thirty seven years with the University.

For Keith Jones, retirement opened a further era of dedicated service to the University. Between 1981 and 1984 he catalogued some 60,000 files for the Archives and in 1985 began work on the papers of Sir Stephen Roberts. A year later he published the first of six articles in Record, the Archives in-house publication. One of these articles "The Law School Comforts Fund Material", formed the basis for a chapter in the centenary history of the Faculty of Law. Keith Jones added further to his scholarly reputation by helping produce the *Book of Remembrance*, for the unveiling of the amended Roll of Honour for members of the University killed in World War 2. In 1991 he worked on University Union Records held by the Archives, particular those relating to the war. He also helped identify and conserve the Archives photographic collection.

Chancellor, it gives me great pleasure to present Keith Jones for admission to the degree of Master of Arts (honoris causa).