

## Statement from Bobby Schindler Regarding the Death of Rev. Jesse Jackson

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., Feb. 17, 2026 / — My family is saddened to learn of the passing of Rev. Jesse Jackson. During the final days of my sister Terri Schiavo in March 2005, Rev. Jackson joined our family at the hospice facility in Pinellas Park, Florida, to offer his prayers and support. At a time of deep sorrow and intense national attention, his presence brought encouragement and reminded us - and the country - that Terri's life had inherent dignity and worth.

He also reached out to Jeb Bush, who was the Governor of Florida at the time, urging him to intervene and stop what was happening to Terri. Rev. Jackson stood publicly with our family during Terri's unjust and inhumane death.



We remain grateful for his compassion, courage, and willingness to stand with us during those painful two weeks. We extend our heartfelt condolences to his family and to all who mourn his passing.

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