



Donald R. Jones

July 25, 1936 - January 17, 2022

Donald R. “Jonesy” “Papou” Jones, age 85, of Bradley went peacefully home, surrounded by his loving family, on Monday, January 17, 2022 at his home. He was born July 25, 1936 in Tuscola, the son of Donald & Anna (Dick) Jones. Don married Katherine Stavros on May 17, 1959 in Kankakee. She preceded him in death in April 2001.

Don was a Machinist. He enjoyed bowling, shopping, collecting cars and knives, and Ford memorabilia. Above all, he loved his family. He was a giver and very selfless. Don was excellent at playing cards. He was a pushover for “batting eyelashes” of his grandchildren. He lovingly answered to many names, including Don, Bob, and Robert.

He was an avid Chicago Bears, Chicago Bulls, and Chicago Cubs fan.

Donald was a veteran of the United States Air Force.

He was a member of St. Paul’s Episcopal Church and the Greek Orthodox Church.

Surviving are one son, Peter D. & Meleah Jones of Ocean Spring, MS; two daughters, Georgeia & Darvin Smith of Bourbonnais and Cassondra & Jeff Kirkton of Kankakee; two sisters, Marilyn Drolet of Bradley and Sally & Steve Birr of Bourbonnais; five grandchildren, Billie Kirkton, Ashtyn Kirkton, Gregory (Sarah) Jones, Marisa Jones, an Courtney (Brian) Scott; two great-grandchildren, Lucille Scott and Everett Scott; his very special sweetheart, Diane Metcalf, her wonderful family; and many nieces and nephews. In addition to his wife, Katherine Jones, Donald is preceded in death by his parents; and his siblings, Patti Bender, Philip Jones, Nancy Reck, Charles E. Jones, James Jones, and Stephen D. Jones.

Visitation will be held from noon until the time of the 2 p.m. funeral service on Friday, January 21, 2022 at Schreffler Funeral Home in Kankakee. Rev. Scott Henley will officiate the service. Entombment will follow at Mound Grove Gardens in Kankakee.

The service will be live-streamed: <https://youtu.be/IA6UlefcPvc>

Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Cemetery Details

Mound Grove Gardens of Memory

1000 N Greenwood
Kankakee, IL 60901

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 21. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Schreffler Funeral Home - Kankakee Chapel
1900 W. Court St.
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 932-2421
<https://www.schrefflerfuneralhomes.com/>

Funeral Service

JAN 21. 2:00 PM (CT)

Schreffler Funeral Home - Kankakee Chapel
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Tribute Wall



“ Donald R. Jones

February 03, 2023 at 04:30 AM

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“ I was honored to care for both Mrs and Mr Jones. Beautiful souls. I loved my conversations with Mr Jones. Blessings to you all

david debono - January 22, 2022 at 11:18 PM

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“ Pete, Gia, and Cassie,
My sincerest sympathy to all of you. I'm so sorry I was unable to be with you today at the service as I hurt my back this morning, but was with you in spirit as i watched the livestream from the funeral home. Your beautiful words and heartfelt tribute that you gave your dad must have made him very proud and put a huge smile on his face....as I'm also sure that Jesus told him " job well done my good and faithful servant."

You all will be in my heart and prayers during the coming days ahead.

Love,
Cindy

Cindy Hebert - January 21, 2022 at 03:59 PM



“ Garden Accent Stone - "Our Family Chain Is Broken" was purchased for the family of Donald R. Jones.



January 19, 2022 at 07:27 PM