



Raymond "Butch" Lee Jones

November 19, 1946 - January 18, 2022

Raymond "Butch" Lee Jones, age 75, was a teacher to hundreds, a coach to many and a friend to all—entered heavens gates on January 18, 2022, at his home in Tazewell, Virginia.

Ray was born in Tazewell, Virginia on November 19, 1946, to Harold George Jones and Elizabeth Rowe Jones-Davis. He graduated from Richlands High School in 1964. After graduation from RHS, Ray went on to attend Emory & Henry and Lees-McRae where he graduated with a bachelor's degree. Upon graduation from college, Ray received a job with Buchanan County Public Schools where he was a teacher and coach for over 50 years,

In 1986, Coach Jones and the Garden Green Dragons with a defense known as "The Great Wall of Green" reached the state finals. Disappointed, they didn't bring home the state trophy but was proud and honored to be part of such a historic time.

Mr. Jones left an impact on so many people's lives. He cared deeply for his family, friends, students, players, and co-workers. He will be remembered for the love and compassion that he had and will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

In addition to his parents, Ray was preceded in death by his grandparents,

Roscoe “Wimpy” Jones and Violet “Maw Wimpy” Jones; and one sister, Debbie Colwell.

Those left to cherish his memory are son, Jud Jones; sister, Phyllis Jones-Riley; and brothers, Gilbert Davis and Howard Davis; aunts, Emillie Jones Wilson and Geneva Jones; and uncle, James H. “Jimmy” Jones.

Funeral services for Raymond “Butch” Jones will be conducted at 2:00 pm on Sunday, January 23, 2022 at Twin Valley Elementary School, 9017 Riverside Drive, Oakwood, Virginia 24631, with Reverend’s Jerry Ward, Jerry Harman and Mickey Hale officiating. Interment will follow at the Clinch Valley Memorial Cemetery in Richlands, Virginia. Pallbearers will be: Patrick Wade, Mike Webb, Eric Fuller, Dr. Brooks Crumpton, Danny Satch Blankenship, Jackie Mullins, Greg Rife and David Ratliff. Honorary pallbearers will be: Jimmy Grizzle, Roger Rife, Janie Owens, Sandy Cole, Pam Vandyke, Dr. Kathy Whitt, Pat Blankenship Carty, Ron Epling, Sandy Vandyke, Mary Rasnick, Patsy Crumpton, past and present students and players that he coached at Garden High School and Twin Valley. The family will receive friends from 1pm until 2pm on Sunday at the Twin Valley Elementary School prior to the funeral.

The family of Raymond Jones would like to send their appreciation to Tazewell Sherriff’s office, Carilion Tazewell Community Hospital, Buchanan County Public Schools, Twin Valley Elementary School, Hurst-Scott Funeral Home and to everyone expressing kind words, sympathy, and thoughtfulness.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Twin Valley High School Athletic Department.

Hurst-Scott Funeral Home in Richlands, Virginia is in charge of arrangements and those wishing to express sympathy online may do so at www.hurstscottfuneralhomes.com

Cemetery Details

Clinch Valley Memorial Cemetery

3201 West Front Street/US 460
Richlands, VA 24641

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 23. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Twin Valley Elementary School
9017 Riverside Drive
Oakwood, VA 24631

Funeral Service

JAN 23. 2:00 PM (ET)

Twin Valley Elementary School
9017 Riverside Drive
Oakwood, VA 24631

Tribute Wall

SS

“ I just found out about Mr. Jones. I am deeply saddened about his passing. Condolences to all his family and friends. I will always remember the jokes he would tell in history class. You are missed by many, Mr. Jones.

Sharon Blankenship Salyers - February 13, 2024 at 01:20 AM



“ Raymond "Butch" Lee Jones

January 14, 2023 at 04:24 PM



“ Raymond "Butch" Lee Jones

January 14, 2023 at 02:26 PM

TS

“ When I talk about or hear someone talking about Garden High School his name is always in the back of everyone's mind. I can still see him jogging the track in those green Garden shorts. Very sad to see him pass. I hope he knows that he will be thought of in 100's and maybe even 1,000's of Garden High Graduates hearts and minds today.



Tami Stanley - January 24, 2022 at 02:05 PM

ML

“ *Melissa Stiltner Lawson sent a virtual gift in memory of Raymond "Butch" Lee Jones*



Melissa Stiltner Lawson - January 22, 2022 at 12:46 PM

SM

“ *I was a co-worker with Coach Jones 30 years ago. He was always kind and friendly. I remember his passion for football and his great love of winning.
May God be with his son and family.*

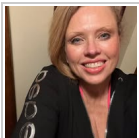
Shelby McClanahan - January 22, 2022 at 09:48 AM

AM

“ *Anita McGlothlin-Gibson lit a candle in memory of Raymond "Butch" Lee Jones*



Anita McGlothlin-Gibson - January 21, 2022 at 08:59 PM



“ *Thinking of you, Jud. The CARINIS*



Chelle Carini - January 21, 2022 at 02:46 PM

CE

“ Cindi Eatsep sent a virtual gift in memory of
Raymond "Butch" Lee Jones



Cindi Eatsep - January 21, 2022 at 01:48 PM

CE

You are in my Prayers Jud!

Cindi Eatsep - January 21, 2022 at 01:49 PM

CE

Estep

Cindi Eatsep - January 21, 2022 at 01:50 PM

JO

“ Always an entertaining and caring PE
teacher.



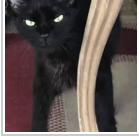
John - January 21, 2022 at 01:30 PM

WR

“ Wendy Reedy lit a candle in memory of
Raymond "Butch" Lee Jones



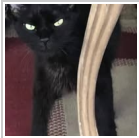
Wendy Reedy - January 21, 2022 at 01:18 PM



“ CONDOLENCES TO ALL WHO WERE FORTUNATE TO HAVE KNOWN HIM AND SHARED THEIR FRIENDSHIP WITH HIM ! SO SORRY FOR THE FAMILY, MEMORIES ARE TREASURES ALONG WITH PICTURES ! LIFE IS TOO SHORTGRAB A SHOOTING STAR , AIM HIGH , LET JESUS LEAD YOU ON THE JOURNEY OF A LIFE TIME !




Davie Horton - January 21, 2022 at 02:21 AM



“ REMEMBER BUTCH WELL.....LOVED PLAYING BASEBALL IN " THE WHITE CLOVER LEAGUE " IN THE 70'S . BUTCH WAS ALWAYS A ROLE MODEL AND GREAT ATHLETEGREAT HITTER AND FIRST BASEMAN . LOST TOUCH OF SO MANY OF THE GANGWE HAVE GROWN OLD . I HAVE ALWAYS COUNTED THIS TIME OF YOUTH AS A GREAT LEARNING EXPERIENCE AND INNOCENT TIME....GREAT TIMES WITHOUT MERCHANDISE... THESE WERE THE GOLDEN YEARS OF POST -WAR SOLDIERSA TERRIBLE WAR TO END ALL WARS WE THOUGHT . LITTLE DID WE KNOW THE WAR WAS JUST BEGINNING.....BUT NOW WE ARE CONVINCED GOD HAS ALWAYS SIT ON THE THRONE FROM THE VERY BEGINNING .. BUTCH , I LOVED THE BASEBALL GAMES AND FRIENDSHIP....DARALELL SPARKS AND BENNY KEENE HAVE DEPARTED FROM OUR TEAM . I WONDER HOW MANY MORE ARE ON THE OTHERSIDE I DO NOT KNOW ABOUT YET ? R.I. P. BUTCH YOU SERVED THIS WORLD GREATLY BY CARING ! JESUS IS THE REASON FOR LIVING , AND HE IS OUR REWARD IN HEAVEN" AMEN " . I WILL REMEMBER YOU WELL ! OLD RICHLANDSWIPPY'S RESTAURANT !



Davie Horton - January 21, 2022 at 12:55 AM

 Kathy
Moyer

“ *Kathy Moyer lit a candle in memory of
Raymond "Butch" Lee Jones*



Kathy Moyer - January 20, 2022 at 11:50 PM

TM

“ *I was shocked to hear about the passing of Mr. Jones. Even though I only attended Garden High for three years, most of the good memories from those three years involve Him! Him and I would talk about the Bible; He was very inquiring concerning such matters. We'd also talk about athletics, mainly football. His History Classes were by far my favorite while attending Garden High! I've still got a couple of items Mr. Jones gave Me as a signet of encouragement. He was a sincere man with the ability to connect to anyone who would allow Him to. January 19th, 2022 will be a day I'll Remember for quite some time as I received word from My Brother In-Law(Brad McGlothlin) that Mr. Jones had passed on. I want His Family and Friends to Know that I'm Praying for them, as well as all the students and athletes He Influenced at Garden High/Twin Valley and beyond. May the influence that Mr. Jones cascaded upon us all, continue to be seen. So long Coach, I Expect To See You Again One Day!*

*Pastor Travis C. Matney Sr.
(Lake Placid, FL.)*

Travis Matney - January 20, 2022 at 10:51 PM

GP

“ Glenna Phipps lit a candle in memory of Raymond "Butch" Lee Jones



Glenna Phipps - January 20, 2022 at 08:58 PM

GP

“ Ray was always kind, and helpful to me when I worked at Twin Valley Elementary. I will always remember his smile and caring interest for the staff and school children.

Glenna Phipps - January 20, 2022 at 08:56 PM

KP

“ Mr. Jones was such a caring & kind man. Many special prayers for his family, friends & everyone who loves him. GOD Bless.



Kristian Hess & Tim & Janice Phelps - January 20, 2022 at 08:35 PM



“ TonyanEdgar Wicks lit a candle in memory of Raymond "Butch" Lee Jones



TonyanEdgar Wicks - January 20, 2022 at 07:52 PM

PR

“ You will be truly miss. Love you always Phyllis
Rest in peace



Phyllis Riley - January 20, 2022 at 06:53 PM

DD

“ Diana Dailey lit a candle in memory of
Raymond "Butch" Lee Jones



Diana Dailey - January 20, 2022 at 06:45 PM

RD

“ Rachel Davis-Midgette lit a candle in memory
of Raymond "Butch" Lee Jones



Rachel Davis-Midgette - January 20, 2022 at 06:35 PM

DS

“ Mr. Jones was a wonderful teacher. He was my U.S. History teacher
when I was in 8th grade at Garden High School. I always enjoyed
going to his class. He made learning U.S. History enjoyable. Always
a quiz the next day. Didn't mind that at all. Mr. Jones will be missed
by so many. A GREAT TEACHER

Debra Blankenship Stacy - January 20, 2022 at 06:25 PM

TM

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Travis Matney - January 20, 2022 at 06:06 PM