



Robert Norman Jones

October 10, 1932 - January 9, 2025

It is with great sorrow that we announce the passing of Robert (Bob) Jones. A devoted husband, brother, father, grandfather, patriot, and mentor, who departed this life on January 9, 2025 at the age of 92. A man of unwavering dedication and profound humility, he leaves behind a legacy of service, love, and leadership that will be cherished by all who knew him.

Born on October 10, 1932 in Pittsburgh, PA, he grew up with a deep sense of purpose and was drafted to serve his country in the United States Army where he would serve honorably in two Vietnam tours as a Master Aviator helicopter pilot. He retired as a Lt. Colonel with 20 years of service. After retiring from active duty, he continued to serve his country as a civilian in the Inspector Generals Office for 29 years with the Army Corps of Engineers, embodying the selflessness that defined his life. Throughout his military career, his expertise, integrity, and steadfast leadership earned him the respect and admiration of his peers and subordinates alike.

In addition to his professional achievements, he was a man of great devotion in his personal life. He shared 43 glorious years of marriage with his beloved wife, Sue Jones, who was his constant source of support and strength. Together, they built a home filled with love, laughter, and shared dreams. His stories, humor, and wisdom brought warmth to all who had the privilege of knowing him. He found joy in being with family and friends.

He is survived by his loving wife, Sue Jones; his children, Greg (Lynn) & Matthew (Kim) Jones; grandchildren, Bryan Widgeon, Amy, Aaron, Riley & Chase Jones; great grandchildren, Cash & Max Widgeon and countless friends and comrades whose lives he touched. He was preceded in death by his daughter Laura Widgeon.

A celebration of his life will be held at a later date, with full military honors at Arlington Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests donations to Wounded Warrior Project (<https://www.woundedwarriorproject.org/>), reflecting his commitment to service and care for others.

Rest easy, Bob. Your mission is complete, and your legacy of courage, love, and honor will endure forever.

Cemetery Details

Arlington National Cemetery

1 Memorial Drive
Arlington, VA 22211

Events

Details are pending.

Tribute Wall

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“ I’m still in shock and can’t believe you’re gone. You were truly one of a kind—kind-hearted, loyal, and always there when anyone needed you. I’ll always treasure the Popeyes memories we made together, the laughter, and the wisdom you shared. You touched so many lives in such a special way, and you’ll never be forgotten. Rest in peace, my dear friend.



George Bunch - January 16, 2025 at 05:11 PM



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Gail Jones - January 16, 2025 at 01:43 PM

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“ Dear Sue and Family, may God grant you the strength to make it through this most difficult time. Bob was the life of every party that I attended, and a wonderful friend to everyone he met - young and old. He was blessed with the greatest gift - a sense of humor. Rest in peace Bob, God Bless- Rose Wiegel

Rose M. Wiegel - January 16, 2025 at 11:49 AM

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“ Sending you strength today and peace in all the days ahead. My prayers are with during this time. I am gear for you. Your soul Sister - Willie



Ms Willie Hunt - January 15, 2025 at 09:55 PM

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“ Bob Jones, We meet when his son Matt married my daughter Kim. With unlimited respect when I first met him, he was sitting on a living room floor with my daughter (trying to put a piece of furniture together). I said Sir you need to come to attention so I may Salute the Officer in my presence. He said from what I hear I need to Salute You. So funny for him to want to salute a Marine Gunnery Sergeant. First a Friend, relative, and two brothers from Vietnam. God Bless You Sue, I Love another Brother. My Joy to know He is in a better place. He will always be in our Hearts.

Patrick E Ultsch - January 15, 2025 at 07:50 PM

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“ Sue, I am sorry to hear of Bob's passing. We have great memories of Bob and you when we were families at Browne Academy with our boys. We worked together on Fall festivals and the Spring auction with many laughs!! My sympathies to you and your family. Danae and Eric

Danae Delman - January 15, 2025 at 04:22 PM