



Windell Lee Jones, Sr.

January 15, 1938 - August 15, 2020

Windell L. Jones of Orlando, went to his heavenly home Saturday, August 15, 2020 at his residence. He was born January 15, 1938 in Nantahala, North Carolina to Oscar Jones and Ezelle Hutchins Jones.

Windell is survived by Linda Ferrell Jones, his wife of 62 years, Daughter Wendy Jones Summerfield, Florida; Son Windell "Lee" Jones Jr (Kathy) Lafayette, La.; Sisters Anita Wolfe (Billy) Swansea, South Carolina, Jan Driggers (Wilbur) St Matthews, South Carolina, Wanda Johnson (Tom) of Point South, South Carolina.; Brothers Oscar "Buck" Jones (Beverly) Tipp City, Ohio; Leslie Jones St Matthews, South Carolina.; Grandchildren Erin Woodworth (Patrick) Milltown, New Jersey, Derek Jones (Courtenay) Orlando, Florida, Patrick Jones Lafayette, La and Alison Jones, Denver, Colorado; Great Grandchildren: Bryan Woodworth, Ashley Woodworth, Milltown, New Jersey,

Ryder Jones, Mikayla Ortiz, Isaiah Ortiz, and Haile Ortiz, Orlando, Florida..

Windell was predeceased by his parents Oscar Lee Jones and Ezelle Elizabeth Hutchins Jones, Sister Doris Woods and two infant brothers, and grandson Christopher Jones.

Windell was the oldest of nine children. While his father drove produce to

market, Windell helped raise and support his siblings. They looked to him as a second father. He was loved and greatly respected by them for his care and guidance.

His hobbies were woodworking, building furniture and camping with his children when they were little. He was a longtime devoted Miami Dolphins and Hurricanes fan. Some of the proudest moments in his life was the birth of his children and obtaining his ministers license to marry his grandson in 2018. He enjoyed seeing his family smile. He enjoyed playing with babies. He could always make them smile.

Windell began his Walgreen career as a stockman, a career that spanned 59 years. He was promoted to Store Manager at the age of 23. He managed various stores in Georgia and South Carolina before being asked to be part of new division of Walgreens in 1971. For the next two years, he traveled all over the United States for Walgreens as a Team Director. In 1974 he relocated to North Carolina until moving to Orlando FL in 1975. He remained there throughout the remainder of his career. He managed several stores in the Orlando area until he retired in 1997. He missed the challenges so he returned to work in less than six months and took in special projects on behalf of Walgreens.

During his career, he was a teacher, coach, and mentor. He was extremely proud when his son joined the company and they were able to work together for over 20 years. He was always excited to give the younger generation an opportunity to work and find a career path. He was also involved with the local charities on behalf of Walgreens. After his retirement from Walgreens, he became very involved with his church, where he had been a Deacon for 30 years.. Two years ago he became an ordained minister where he could officiate his grandson Derek's wedding.

Throughout his life his family was always his first priority. He will always be loved and greatly missed.

Cemetery Details

Chapel Hill Cemetery

2400 Harrell Road
Orlando, FL 32817

Previous Events

Viewing

AUG 19. 10:00 AM (ET)

Conway First Baptist Church
4000 Conway Rd
Orlando, FL 32812

Funeral Service

AUG 19. 11:00 AM (ET)

Conway First Baptist Church
4000 Conway Rd
Orlando, FL 32812

Tribute Wall

CR

“ *Cindy Rowe lit a candle in memory of Windell Lee Jones, Sr.*



Cindy Rowe - October 30, 2020 at 09:00 PM

CR

I worked with Mr Jones at the store 2410 back in the late 70's. He was such a hard worker and great mentor. I am grateful for him giving me a chance back then. He talked of his love of god and family often. He inspired everyone he knew. He always had a kind word for his staff and customers. He will be missed. Condolences to his family. R.I.P.

Cindy Rowe - October 30, 2020 at 09:05 PM

 William Bossa

“ *I am in shock to learn of the passing of Windell Jones Sr. I was fortunate to had been his Executive Assistant Manager at Walgreens in the early 1990's for about 3 years. Very thankful for my military background as he ran a tight ship and expected you to do the same. A very fair man who taught me alot about life and strong work ethic. A true Miami Dolphin Fan.... Windell you made a positive difference in my life and I am forever grateful.*

Rest in Peace

Retired Coast Guard Chief Bill Bossa, Bennettsville, South Carolina

William Bossa - October 16, 2020 at 04:04 PM

NM

“ My deepest condolences to the Jones family. I will always remember my time with Windell opening stores and executing cosmetic wall resets. I don't know what we would of done without his support, knowledge and guidance in old D163. You will be missed. ❤️

Nicole Macek - August 26, 2020 at 01:06 AM

JF

“ My truest condolences to the Jones family! He always had great positive energy and a quick story to tell, Blessings.

Jim Fouquet - August 21, 2020 at 01:07 PM

LO

“ My sincere condolences to the Jones family. Windell(Jones Sr.) was a staple to Walgreens, he was known through out the company. He was a man of knowledge and know how. He will be missed. RIP



Lisa (Mixon) Ortega - August 20, 2020 at 08:08 PM

KG

“ Mr Jones was such a special person. Condolences and prayers for his family. Rest in peace.



Kim Gallagher - August 20, 2020 at 10:57 AM

NT

“ *May he Rest In Peace in Gods loving eternity. I appreciated his mentorship at Walgreens and welcomed his wisdom. Sincere condolences to the family*

Norm Tomaka - August 20, 2020 at 10:09 AM



“ *Enjoyed all the years of working with you.Heaven just received a hard working angel.
RIP Big Guy. Thoughts to the Jones family, Doug & Paula Olsen*

Doug Olsen - August 19, 2020 at 01:58 PM

JR

“ *My condolences to the family.*



Joanne Roberts - August 19, 2020 at 11:39 AM

KS

“ *windel, hired me dec 8th 1988,thank you for the chance. 26 1/2 yrs later i retired!*



kaye schneider - August 19, 2020 at 11:35 AM

MM

I had the pleasure of working with you Mr.Jones,You were always upbeat and you motivated others.RIP Prayers for your family

Margaret Mckee - August 19, 2020 at 04:43 PM

RC

“ *My condolences to the Jones family. Windell was a very special man. I meet him thru work but he always made you feel important and shared words of wisdom. My prayers to his family.*

Robin Clark - August 19, 2020 at 10:39 AM

GL

“ *My condolences to the Mr. Jones family. May he RIP.*



Gladimar - August 19, 2020 at 09:45 AM

TD

“ *My sincere condolences to Lee and his family. Prayers for strength during these hard times. Eternal rest grant unto Mr Jones, Sr. and let perpetual light shine upon him O LORD. May he rest in peace. Teanie and Mike Delhom*

Teanie & Mike Delhom - August 19, 2020 at 08:16 AM

CP

“ *My condolences to his family. When I was the pharmacy manager at Gatlin and 436, Mr. Jones would always take the time to stop and talk to me when he was shopping in the store. He was my favorite customer! Keeping his family in my thoughts and prayers.*

charlotte price - August 19, 2020 at 08:13 AM

ST

“ My condolences to Mr Jones family. I had the pleasure of working with him after he hired me at Walgreens in 1992 where I still work! He always shared stories about his family and his life growing up. His family was a huge source of joy to him! May he rest in peace.

Suzanne Tranfaglia - August 18, 2020 at 10:45 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Windell Lee Jones, Sr..



August 18, 2020 at 04:12 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Windell Lee Jones, Sr..



August 18, 2020 at 12:15 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Windell Lee Jones, Sr..



August 18, 2020 at 09:19 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Windell Lee Jones, Sr..*



August 17, 2020 at 08:27 PM



“ *2 files added to the album Memories Album*



Kathy Jones - August 17, 2020 at 08:09 PM



“ *My deepest and most heartfelt sympathies to your whole family. I have had the joy of working with Mr Jones(Sr.) once when we opened the Rayne, La store. He taught me so much in that one day. And I still work as one of his son's employees, so the ethic & care for people that he taught definitely lives on in his son. My Prayer is that God will see you all through this challenging time and give you strength and peace in your hearts.*

Kelly Andres - August 17, 2020 at 06:42 PM