



## Ralph Hazelton Jones

November 3, 1938 - April 2, 2020

Ralph Hazelton Jones, 81 was born on November 3, 1938 in Atlantic City, NJ. He passed away on April 2, 2020 near his home in Roy Utah. My father lived as a child in Strathmere, NJ until his father and mother moved the family to Pitman, NJ. He graduated from Pitman High School in 1959. He was well liked and known by his fellow classmates and kept in contact with many of them until his death. My fathers' friends were very important to him and he made so many of them from high school to the military until his final home in Utah. On July 17, 1959 he joined the United States Air Force right after high school. He did a tour in Thailand during the Vietnam War where he served in the military for 23 years as a Parachute Rigger and as a Fabrication and Parachute Supervisor. He ended his career in Utah in June of 1982. He was very proud of his life in the Air Force and serving his country earning many medals and decorations for his service.

Ralph was an avid if not obsessed collector of Baseball memorabilia the Boston Red Sox being his favorite team. He had a passion for Whales we always wondered if he was going to leave everything to the Whales or to the Baseball Hall of Fame!! One of his other passions was umpiring baseball, softball and volleyball for almost 30 years. He really enjoyed interacting with the players. Ralph also did Volkwalks which in German means "a people's walk" he loved to walk. One of his other passions was giving to the children at the Primary Children's Hospital...be it taking them candy, cookies, toys, baseball cards and magazine's. He was a very giving and caring person. Ralph loved to travel and one of his favorite places was Hawaii. If he could he would have lived there. He also loved to take trips to his favorite places, Mirror Lake and the Salt Flats. Driving up to Idaho to get that winning ticket was something that he liked to do with his friend. He would always say I think I have a winner I need to drive back to Idaho to see if I won!!

Ralph is survived by his daughter Laurie Ann, his brother George Wilson Jones and wife Patricia Egan Jones of Barrington, NJ. His grandchildren Michael, (Katie) of Irving TX, Christopher ( Xochiquetzal) of Upper Deerfield, NJ, Kimberlee and her daughters Gianna and Mia his great granddaughters of Upper Deerfield, NJ. Also survived by many nieces and nephews, and his Sister in Law Eileen Jones Predeceased by his mother and father

Geroge Wilson Jones, Mary Carothers Jones and his brother William Jones also his beloved Uncle Ted his mother's brother.

Ralph will be greatly missed by his many, many friends and loved ones!

Thank you to all who loved my Dad and valued his friendship...I know he felt the same way for all of you

Due to the concerns of what is going on in this country we will be celebrating Ralph's life at a later date in Utah.

Donations can be made in Ralph's name to the Primary Children's Hospital , 100 N. Mario Capecchi Dr, Salt Lake City, UT 84113, The American Cancer Society, PO Box 22478, Oklahoma City, OK 73123 or the American Diabetes Association, 2451 Crystal Drive, Suite 900, Arlington, VA 22202.

# Comments

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“ Condolences to Ralph’s family and friends.



**Joan Luker (Jones) Koziol** - April 12, 2020 at 10:41 AM



“ So very sorry to have heard of Ralph's passing a few months ago. Know he fought the good.fight. we spoke occasionally & often talked of our high school days. As he was my prom date in 1958 always.had the good times ronremember. Tried often to talk him into moving east but couldnt budge him ! I miss the talks we used to infrequently have.

**Barbara Creamer** - September 13, 2020 at 07:07 PM

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“ I am Allen Jensen (aka) Big Al Jensen I have been a Friend of Ralphps For a Long Time He was a Great Guy I will Miss him so much ! Sorry he is Gone But Know That he is in a much better Place now .Condolences to his Family and May God Bless You All !!

**Al Jensen** - April 08, 2020 at 04:10 PM

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“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Ralph Hazelton Jones.



April 08, 2020 at 12:45 PM

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“ Edward M. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Ralph Hazelton Jones.



Edward M. - April 08, 2020 at 12:44 PM

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“ I remember when we...Ralph, Sharon, Bill ( Ralph's brother) and me , Eileen , decided to make the funniest face we could and take pictures of them...needless to say we looked like a bunch of idiots ....everytime I see those pics , I think of how much fun we had together. You know Ralph was dark like my family...we are Italian and I asked Bill when I first met Ralph if he was Italian , did they have Italian blood in their family and Bill's mom almost had a heart attack...she said God forbid no ! I don't like I talians..... thought Ralph was going to die , you had to see the look on his face. I'm going to miss the " HOAGIE GUY " His favorite Sister-in-Law Eileen.....tell Bill I miss him and Pop too !

Eileen Jones - April 07, 2020 at 04:30 PM

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“ Which memory would you like? The day we met on Rex 1 ball field in 1985 or when Ralph walked me down the aisle when I got married? Ralph was a part of my life for many many years. He and all the memories will always be dear to my heart! Maxine Fouks Card

Maxine Card - April 07, 2020 at 03:01 PM

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Laurie - April 07, 2020 at 01:09 PM

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“ Ron and I knew Ralph from Bitburg, Germany. We were also stationed with him at Hill AFB, Utah. We just talked to Ralph a few weeks ago and he sounded so good. It was always fun to talk to him. He was the only person in the world that was allowed to call me by my first name. I hated my first name and went so far as to have it changed legally. One day we were at the hospital at Hill AFB and when they called my name they called me by my first name and Ralph heard it and started teasing me about it and from then on he has called me that. I won't tell you guys what it was. But of all the people in the world he was the only person that could call me that and it didn't make me mad. Ron and I loved Ralph. He was such a caring and loving person. My family, Ron, myself, Jim and Robin cared very deeply for Ralph. We will certainly miss his emails and phone calls. Rest in peace my friend.  
Love you Ralph,  
Ron, Ellen, Jim & Robin Coble

Ellen Coble - April 07, 2020 at 01:08 PM

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Laurie - April 07, 2020 at 01:07 PM

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“ Robert A. Oberst lit a candle in memory of Ralph Hazelton Jones



Robert A. Oberst - April 07, 2020 at 12:49 PM

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“ Ralph has been a friend since I PCS'd here in 1993, will always remember him as the consummate gentleman. I'm going to miss our spirited Yankee, Red Sox conversations.

**Gary Bentley** - April 07, 2020 at 12:24 PM