



Lonnie Jones

August 28, 1943 - March 7, 2021

Lonnie Jones, 77, passed away on Sunday, March 7, 2021, following a lingering illness with pulmonary fibrosis. Born on August 28, 1943, he was preceded in death by his parents Ralph and Beatrice (Cassell) Jones, his sister Barbara Jo Dunn and sister-in-law Anita Gorrell. He is survived by his loving wife of almost 42 years, Cathy Renner Jones, sons Brad (Jacquelyn) Jones and Seth Jones and was a proud “Papa” to his sweet granddaughter, Emery Claire Jones. He is also survived by brothers-in-law Charles Dunn, Donnie (Rose) Renner and Jimmy Gorrell, niece Trena (Jimmy) Parks, nephew Tyler Dunn, and several cousins. A long-time banker, Lonnie started in 1961 at Merchants and Planters Bank, and ended his 59-year career with over 20 years at Newport Federal Bank. During his career, he was active in many community civic affairs and charities. He was the former chairman of the Economic Development Commission, involved in the formation of the Cocke County Partnership, an active supporter of Habitat for Humanity, United Way, and the CCHS Quarterback Club, charter member of Volunteer Bassmasters, the former president and two-time Lion of the Year of the Newport Lions Club, and many others. For relaxation, Lonnie enjoyed golfing (60 years, with two holes in one) and fishing. Very active in his church, Lonnie was proud to be a Christian. He was a member of Southside Baptist Church. He was a veteran, serving in the 119th Air National Guard in Alcoa as a medic for six years. He was honorably discharged in October 1970. A graveside service will be held at Union Cemetery at 2:00 pm on Wednesday, March 10, 2021 with Don Smith

and Charlie Boggan officiating. Burial will follow. Per CDC guidelines, please practice safe social distancing and face masks are highly recommended. In lieu of flowers, please donate to the Southside Baptist Church Youth Ministry, P.O. Box 668, Newport, TN, 37822, or a charity of your choice. Family and friends may sign the guest register online at www.manesfuneralhome.com. Arrangements by Manes Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Graveside Service

MAR 10. 2:00 PM (ET)

Union Cemetery Inc
420 Mineral St
Newport, TN 37821-3900
(423) 623-6918

Tribute Wall



“ *Lonnie Jones*

November 17, 2022 at 06:00 PM



“ *We have known Lonnie for about 15 years.billy has mowed Newport banks that long and became friends.he is a great guy.he will truly be missed...*

Another angel called home to sit at the Great ones,Jesus, table....

Billy and Donna moyers - March 16, 2021 at 09:20 PM



“ *Kathy & Family,
Lonnie was my friend. I had the honor and privilege of being his doctor for over 30 years as well. We enjoyed many golf outings together and even won a 4 man tournament back in the day. Our sons grew up together and we attended many sports events in their support. It was a pleasure to work on various community projects with Lonnie. Lonnie always had that great smile and wonderful attitude. He was a Christian and a true Southern Gentleman. I will miss my friend.*

-Ken Johnson

Dr Ken Johnson - March 13, 2021 at 03:28 PM



“ *Lonnie was a very kind and genuine person. He would speak or wave every time we saw him and he was always happy. Randy and I wanted to let you know that he will truly be missed by us and we are so sorry for your loss. Randy and Joyce Mullins*

Randy and Joyce Mullins - March 12, 2021 at 12:00 PM

MC

“ Sorry for your loss!

Mitch Coakley - March 12, 2021 at 09:02 AM

CG

“ I am sad to hear this news. My thoughts and prayers are with the family. Lonnie was a great man who I enjoyed playing golf with. I will always remember getting calls from Lonnie to play in charity golf tournaments with him for Newport Federal. He always had a good laugh because my mother worked for another bank. Deepest sympathy.

Craig Gardner - March 11, 2021 at 07:51 PM

NS

“ May you find comfort in the beautiful memories of Lonnie's life. He was a fine man, and will be greatly missed by all. As a realtor, I spoke with him many times through the years at Newport Federal. As a neighbor, he always had time to stop and share a kind word. God Bless the family in the days ahead.
Norma & Edmon Seay

Norma Seay - March 11, 2021 at 05:04 PM

MC


“ So sorry for your loss my prayers are with you!

mitch Coakley - March 11, 2021 at 11:03 AM

JO

“ One of the finest men I've ever known. Love and prayers

Jan O'Lear - March 11, 2021 at 06:42 AM


Earlene
Strange

“ I had the privilege of working with both Cathy and Lonnie. You are all in our thoughts and prayers. May God comfort you and bless you with many happy memories.



Earlene, Claude, Julie, Chuck, Tanner, Kayla, Emersyn, Ellery Jane, and Taylyn Strange

Earlene Strange - March 10, 2021 at 07:06 PM

SB

“ Lonnie was such a special person, he will be sadly missed by many. Prayers for each of you.

Susan Ball

Susan Ball - March 10, 2021 at 04:50 PM

DS

“ Thoughts and prayers for the family. Lonnie will truly be missed. Diane Shepherd



Diane Shepherd - March 10, 2021 at 10:49 AM

JA

“ Sending prayers for comfort and strength during this time of grief to you and your family. Fondly remember the days you were our neighbors and all the years that Home Federal was our bank. Lonnie was always the nicest helpful person anyone could have the privilege to know. Jane and Creed Allen

jane - March 10, 2021 at 10:34 AM

JJ

“ So sorry for your loss. Lonnie will be missed greatly here at Newport Federal. It was a pleasure working with him.

Jennifer Jenkins - March 10, 2021 at 10:27 AM

DB

“ A good, kind, exceedingly sweet man, and a friend to me and my family for generations. Lonnie, you will be missed. Cathy, you and your family are in our hearts.

Dave, MaryRuth, & the whole Buckner family.

Dave Buckner - March 10, 2021 at 10:00 AM

DB

“ Lonnie was a personal friend who we cherish and will miss immensely. Way back when he was at Merchants and Planters Bank, we shared such fun along with his good friend Fred Harned. Over the years we have followed his exemplary career and enjoyed our banter with him over many issues. RIP brother, we will see you again.

Donn and Annette Berney - March 10, 2021 at 08:07 AM

BF

“ Thoughts & prayers for the family.

Brenda Fancher - March 09, 2021 at 09:18 PM

DF

Thoughts and prayers for the family

Dawn Freeman - March 10, 2021 at 10:11 AM

DF

Prayer for the family.

Dawn Freeman - March 10, 2021 at 10:12 AM

MG

“ *Such a kind man. God Bless the family at this time. He will be missed.*



Melina Gann - March 09, 2021 at 08:54 PM

CB

“ *Our thoughts & prayers are with the entire family. Lonnie was a wonderful man and he will be missed by many.*

Connie & Marsha Ball - March 09, 2021 at 08:01 PM

SB

“ *Kathy,
I am so sorry to hear about Lonnie. I know he was an exceptional person. Just know you are in my thoughts and prayers. I am always here for you. Lonnie will be missed.*

Sheryl Ball - March 09, 2021 at 06:09 PM

JS

“ *Our Deepest Sympathy
Doug & Joyce Shoemaker*

Joyce Shoemaker - March 09, 2021 at 05:44 PM

BH

“ *Many thoughts and prayers to the family. I was so saddened to hear of Lonnie's passing. Praying for peace and comfort.*



Brooke Haynes - March 09, 2021 at 04:18 PM

MW

“ *So sorry for your loss. He was a great class mate. Deepest sympathy.*



Marie Wood - March 09, 2021 at 02:32 PM

EA

“ *Many prayers for your family. We are so sorry for your loss. - Emma & Shane Allen (Addison & Ellis)*

Emma Allen - March 09, 2021 at 01:54 PM

RF

“ *Sending Prayers Of Love, Comfort n' Strength During This Difficult Loss Of Our Friend.*
Richard & Jan W Fancher

Richard & Jan W Fancher - March 09, 2021 at 11:59 AM

AS

“ *Lonnie will be missed by his Newport federal Family. I will never forget how kind of a boss he was & always very considerate of others. Cathy & family, I will pray for you all. God bless you!*

Angela Shelton - March 09, 2021 at 11:26 AM

FB

“ *I was very sad to hear of the passing of Lonnie Jones. My job includes working with most all of the banks in the area. Lonnie was always one of my favorite visits. He was kind and upbeat with an amazing sense of humor. Every time I was around him, I had a great time. He was an example for all of us on how to live out your faith. He will be greatly missed. Flash Black*

Flash Black - March 09, 2021 at 11:08 AM

JK

“ *Prayers*

julia kyker - March 09, 2021 at 09:45 AM

MW

“ *Lonnie was a fine man. We remember him fondly. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family.
Mackey Winter & Family*

Mackey Winter - March 09, 2021 at 09:24 AM

BB

“ I’ve known Lonnie for very along time, and had the pleasure to work with him when I went to work at Newport Federal Bank 14 years ago. He was a wonderful person and a great boss. I could always hear him coming because he was always whistling. He will be greatly missed by all. My condolences and prayers go out to the family.



Barbara Ball - March 08, 2021 at 09:54 PM

BW

“ What a shock to hear that Lonnie had passed away ,I worked with him for several yrs. He would always yell hello as I went through fed.sav.He was good man.RIP my friend.Deepest sympathy to the family.

Billy & Wilma Webb - March 08, 2021 at 09:06 PM

AD

Adell S. Davis
My Prayers, Sympathy and Thoughts

Adell S. Davis - March 09, 2021 at 10:01 PM

AW

“ Lonnie was always a kind man. He never passed me without a warm greeting, I think that said a lot about his character. I will be praying for Seth and the rest of the family. Alexis McGaha Willis

Alexis Willis - March 08, 2021 at 08:37 PM

BW

“ *Lonnie was a very nice man with a great big smile.He will be missed by all who knew him.
Prayers and love.
Dale &Buffy Wilds*



Buffy Wilds - March 08, 2021 at 07:04 PM

RD

“ *Sorry for your loss and pray for your comfort. Lonnie was a good example of how we all should live our lives. He was a good friend and will be missed. Ronnie & Phyllis Douglas*

Ronnie & Phyllis Douglas - March 08, 2021 at 05:41 PM

SS

“ *Cathy,so sorry for your loss.May God bless you and your family in this time of need.Lonnie will surely be missed by everyone, especially by you.
Shirley Sisk*

shirley Sisk - March 08, 2021 at 04:56 PM

TC

“ *Our deepest condolences on the passing of Lonnie. May God comfort & console during this very trying time.*

*Vava Lee Cummings
Todd & Alex Cummings*



Todd Cummings - March 08, 2021 at 04:50 PM

PP

“ *Cathy, bless you and your family!*

Pauline Proffitt - March 08, 2021 at 04:25 PM

LM

“ *Lonnie helped me so much in settling my Mother's estate! Prayers for the family* ♡♡

Lisa Morgan - March 08, 2021 at 02:27 PM

LD

“ *I cannot begin to express the sadness I felt when I received a call that Lonnie Jones had died. I have such fond memories growing up next door to Lonnie and his mom, dad and sister. They were my second family, and Lonnie was like an older brother for several years. I haven't seen as much as Lonnie through these later years, but one thing was a constant. Any time our paths crossed, he was always the same sweet, friendly, respectable friend he always had been, and I'm very, very sure one could not find a single person that could say one unkind word about Lonnie Jones. My heart goes out to Cathy and his family for their broken hearts right now. He will never be forgotten and will always be remembered as being humble & kind. Oh, how I wish I could have talked to him one more time. Thoughts and prayers to all who loved Lonnie. RIP my friend!*



Matthew 5:4

*With Love,
Linda Dawson*

Linda & Bud Dawson - March 08, 2021 at 01:18 PM

JB

“ *Lonnie was such a special friend, always so helpful. He will certainly be missed.*
My thought and prayers are with all of the family. Love, Jeanne Birdwell.

Jeanne Birdwell - March 08, 2021 at 12:25 PM

TF

“ *While your dear loved one is experiencing "joys unspeakable" our hearts go out to you and the pain you're feeling now. We're praying the Lord will surround you with His peace beyond understanding and His comforting arms to strengthen you.*
With Heartfelt Deepest Sympathy,
Jabo & Tammy Francis

Tammy Francis - March 08, 2021 at 11:38 AM

MW

Lonnie was such a nice and polite person. He was a class mate at CCHS. He will be missed by his numerous friends. May he rest in peace that he so well deserves. Thoughts and Prayers for all his family. Marie Cureton Wood 🙏🙏

Marie Wood - March 08, 2021 at 08:41 PM

AF

Cathy our prayers are with you and the boys today. It was heartbreaking to hear of Lonnie's death just one week after my brother-in-law Kenneth Calfee passed away. They were such good friends. I will always remember them helping us in the church kitchen during bible school. Lonnie was such a Christian example of what a husband, father, grandfather and friend should be. He touched many lives in Newport Tennessee. He will be missed by all who were blessed to have known him. Anne Freeman

Anne Freeman - March 10, 2021 at 09:33 AM

RM

“ We are so saddened to hear the news about Lonnie as we always thought so much of him! Please know you and your family are in our prayers, praying for God's comfort & peace knowing we will all reunite together soon.
God's blessings!

Rae & Karen Massey

Rae & Karen Massey - March 08, 2021 at 11:28 AM

BB

“ Seth and Family, sorry for your loss.

Brandon & Kasey Buckner - March 08, 2021 at 11:13 AM

CD

“ Remembering all the Christmas dinners we had at my house when were younger Charles dunn

charles dunn - March 08, 2021 at 10:46 AM

TD

“ I have fond memories of my uncle.he always helped with anything banking related advice and helped with my income tax filing and always asked how I was doing when I'd stop by the bank.he will be greatly missed and prayers going out to my aunt Cathy and my cousins brad and Seth.

tyler dunn - March 08, 2021 at 10:45 AM

KS

“ My prayers are with Cathy, boys and entire family. What an awesome man and leader in our community. May you all have great comfort

Kathy&Gary Sorrell - March 08, 2021 at 10:09 AM

 Vicky
Turner

“ Cathy, Seth and Brad - so very sorry for your loss. Lonnie was a very kind soul. He was friendly, smart and witty and will be sadly missed. Keeping your family in our prayers.
Vicky Wilson Turner

Vicky Turner - March 08, 2021 at 09:27 AM

RS

“ Lonnie will always be remembered as a friendly outgoing man, who never failed to say hello when I walked by the door of his office. His friendly face and personality will be missed. Blessings to all of the Jones family.

Ray Snader - March 08, 2021 at 08:31 AM

KM

“ One of the biggest shocks of my life was when I woke up this morning and learned of the passing of one of the finest people I have ever known - Lonnie Jones. Not only being a childhood friend, every time I came to Newport I tried to go by and see Lonnie Jones. I do not believe God could put a better human being on earth than Lonnie Jones. My prayers and thoughts are with the family and the many people who knew him..We all have lost a good person. May God bless all.
Kenny Maloy
Mint Hill, North Carolina



Kenneth Maloy - March 08, 2021 at 08:31 AM

CP

So sorry to hear of Lonnie's passing. Such a fine person who now rejoices in Heaven.

Cheryl and Jack Presnell - March 08, 2021 at 06:23 PM

AD

“ *Our deepest sympathy for your loss. Love and prayers for your family.*

Amy Burnett Dorsey and William Burnett

Amy S Dorsey - March 08, 2021 at 07:42 AM

BE

“ *I'm sorry to hear of your loss. He served our Lord and our community. E is in the arms of God. Prayers for your family.*

Betsy - March 08, 2021 at 07:37 AM

LG

“ *It is sad to lose a husband, father and grandfather, but remember God is with you all the way. Lonnie and I were friends for many years, thru high school and work. He will be missed by family and friends. My prayers are with the family.*

L C Gregg - March 08, 2021 at 07:26 AM

JO

“ *I certainly have fond memories of Mr Jones at both the bank and First Baptist. Nice man. Blessings on the family.*

Jim O'Lear - March 08, 2021 at 06:29 AM

NL

“ *My sincere condolences to your family on the loss of Lonnie. I went through high school with him. He was a kind and honorable man. May he rest in peace.*



Nancy Smith Lemieux - March 07, 2021 at 11:31 PM

MC

“ *Cathy and family, we are saddened by your loss. Lonnie was a good man. Please accept our deepest sympathy. Know that our prayers and thoughts are with the family during this difficult time and the days ahead.*

Jay & Mary Ann Chrisman

Mary Chrisman - March 07, 2021 at 09:21 PM

LH

“ *Prayers!*



Louise & Jimmy Hux - March 07, 2021 at 09:00 PM

GK

“ *Cathy and family, Dot, and I were so very sorry to hear of Lonnie's passing. Lonnie was one of the finest persons I have ever known. Prayers for the family.*



Gary and Dorothy Kyker - March 07, 2021 at 06:35 PM

CR

“ *Prayers for family and friends*



Cookie Ramsey - March 07, 2021 at 06:02 PM

PC

“ *Best boss and great friend and had many years with him in banking. So sorry to hear and will have your family in my thoughts and prayers*

Phyllis Combs - March 07, 2021 at 05:09 PM

LL

“ *I am saddened to hear of Lonnie's passing. He was always very kind to me. He will be missed by all at Newport Federal.*

Lisa Lowe - March 07, 2021 at 05:02 PM

DH

“ *My heart aches for you all. Lonnie was a good man so loved. Wasn't a time went by if he saw me even from a distance he would wave or yell. Praying for you Cathy and Seth and Brad. And the rest of the family. May God bless you all and give you strength for the up coming days ahead!! Love you all, Debbie and Carl Hurst*

Debra Hurst - March 07, 2021 at 04:49 PM

JP

“ *Lonnie and I have been friends since high school. One year he ran for student mayor of Newport and I was his campaign chair. He won.*

Pearl McNabb let Lonnie and I do experiments in Chemistry. He was always a pleasure to work with. Our lives went separate ways over the years but we always remained friends. There was no better man. At our previous HS reunion in Sept. 2019, he told me of his disease. He always looked so healthy.



Jim Palmer - March 07, 2021 at 04:44 PM

VB

“ *A true Christian gentleman who has left us much too soon! We send our deepest prayers and condolences to Cathy and loved ones.*
Larry and Vickie Butler

Vickie Butler - March 07, 2021 at 04:43 PM

TW

“ *Cathy so sorry to hear about your Husband. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your Family.*

Tura Lawson and Eloise Wiley - March 07, 2021 at 04:21 PM

EO

“ Cathy , Robert and I are heart broken💔 he has lost his best friend and fishing partner! And I loved being a friend to this beautiful Christian young man!

We know you have a Beautiful family that will be there for you, but remember if you need us feel free to call! Our love goes out to you and your family🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏

evelyn rhodes and Robert O - March 07, 2021 at 03:42 PM

KS

“ What a friend we've lost! Thinking of and praying for all of you!! We'll never eat another tomato—peeled, of course—without thinking of Lonnie!!! Cherish your memories! He loved his family so!

Tommy and Karen

Karen & Tommy Smith - March 07, 2021 at 03:41 PM

AM

“ To Cathy, Brad, Seth and family

Barbara and I were both deeply saddened to learn of Lonnie's passing, and we send our most sincere condolences. When we moved to Newport with Sonoco in 1979, before we even arrived here, we were told we needed to meet Jim Robinson and Lonnie Jones of the Peoples Bank. They both immediately made us feel right at home and welcome, and I used to look forward to my visits to the bank on Saturday morning to sit down with one or both of them and have coffee and just chat. They both became more than just bankers, but good friends as well, and I had many fun rounds of golf with Lonnie. He beat me in the finals of a tournament one year, but he was such a gentleman about it, and although I had hoped to win, I didn't feel nearly as bad due to the way he treated me. Such a fine man! I know that he will be missed, and we pray that God will wrap you in His arms and comfort you in the days and weeks ahead.



Ashley and Barbara Morris

Ashley and Barbara Morris - March 07, 2021 at 03:03 PM

EO

“ Evelyn Rhodes And Robert O lit a candle in memory of Lonnie Jones



evelyn rhodes and Robert O - March 07, 2021 at 02:43 PM

CI

“ A great friend and will sadly be missed

Cisco - March 07, 2021 at 02:40 PM



“ So sorry to hear about Lonnie's passing...He was a great person. You all are in our thought and prayers.
Brenda McMillan and Patty Evans Stephenson



Pat Evans Larry Stephenson - March 07, 2021 at 02:11 PM



“ Evelyn And Robert lit a candle in memory of Lonnie Jones



evelyn and Robert - March 07, 2021 at 01:56 PM



“ Our very deepest sympathy to all in your loss. Lonnie was such a fine man, an asset to his community, church, and, of course, family. He was always a delight to chat with at the bank. Praying that God's love will surround you and that angels will walk beside you in the coming days.

Duay, Kay, Amber, and Connor O'Neil - March 07, 2021 at 01:17 PM



“ Seth, Brad, and Trena,

Thoughts and prayers go out to you all during this difficult time.

Benjamin Evans - March 07, 2021 at 01:03 PM



“ I am so sorry about Lonnie’s passing. He was a gentleman and a great man. My heart goes out to his family. He always had a special way of confronting any problems the tellers had with customers. He was an outstanding man and a great boss. Praying for you that God would comfort you in this very hard time. 🙏🙏🙏🥹🥹🥹

Mary Gentry - March 07, 2021 at 12:20 PM



“ Our heart felt condolences for out to the family. Prayers for everyone.

Sandra and Frank Hoilman - March 07, 2021 at 12:14 PM



“ Lonnie Jones was a fine man and a gentleman. I was honored to have called him friend. Sorry for your loss.

Ray Fancher - March 07, 2021 at 12:04 PM