



Lavon Lyndell Jones

July 16, 1935 - October 19, 2019

Celebrating the Life of
Lavon Lyndell Jones
Monday, October 28, 2019 2:00 p.m.
Broussard's Chapel
Beaumont, Texas
Reverend Richard Coward



“Peace in the Valley”
by Elvis Presley

Scripture Readings

Reading of Obituary

Memorial Remarks

Prayer

“Country Roads”
by John Denver

God's Encouraging Word

Concluding Prayer

“Wind Beneath My Wings”
by Roger Whittaker





Lavon Lyndell Jones, 84, of Nacogdoches, formerly of Beaumont, died Saturday, October 19, 2019, at Nacogdoches Medical Center. He was born on July 16, 1935, in Clinton, Oklahoma, to Rev. Ruby Dayton Jones and Rev. Thomas A. Jones, who were both ordained ministers in the Church of God (Anderson, IN) denomination. Lavon was a retired Assistant United States District Attorney for the Eastern District of Texas.

Lavon first left home at age 16. He said his dad gave him \$50, shook his hand and said, "Good luck, Son." He took on several odd jobs and finally went into the United States Navy for four years. This is where he wound up working as a court reporter and realized that becoming a lawyer is what he wanted to do. Lavon attended the University of Houston Law School and earned his Doctor of Jurisprudence in 1966.

He became an accomplished lawyer by winning most of his cases simply by out working the lawyers on the other side. Lavon worked at a couple of private practices, then became the Assistant City Attorney for the City of Beaumont. In 1979, he became an attorney for El Paso International Airport. Then, after working there for less than 100 days, Lavon was offered to become an Assistant Criminal District Attorney for Jefferson County. On his last day in El Paso, he had worked there for exactly eighty-nine days. Lavon was an Assistant Criminal DA for Jefferson County from 1979-1986. Then he accepted a position as Assistant City Attorney for the City of Austin and took up residence in Round Rock. A year and a half later, Lavon was offered a job as Assistant United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Texas and accepted it. He spent the rest of his career there and retired in 2005.

He is survived by his sons, Larry Jones and Ronald Jones, both of Nacogdoches; nieces and nephews, Lynette Shepherd and Linda Long, both of Sarepta, Louisiana, Lorelei Jones, of Tucson, Arizona, Lavone Badeaux, of Lufkin, and Bill Wright, of Pineland; and numerous great-nieces and nephews.



Lavon is preceded in death by his wife, Joyce Jones. They were married in a tiny ceremony on March 24, 1962, at a preacher's house in Houston with only a couple of witnesses. They did their honeymoon in New Orleans, then were madly in love and spent thirty-nine years together until cancer took Joyce on August 5, 2001.

He was a wonderful husband, a loving dad and an all-around great guy. Lavon never took himself too seriously and laughed and teased a lot. He loved teasing Joyce simply because it would put a smile on her face that he loved. Even though he was a busy lawyer, he found time to spend with the kids, Larry and Ronald, from playing Yahtzee or some other board game to being quarterback for both "teams" in a one-on-one football game in the back yard. And he loved spending time with his wife, Joyce. She was an introvert that didn't like going out, but he enjoyed just being with her no matter what they were doing. Lavon was also well-liked and respected by members of the law community and the community in general. People would stop to talk to him and he'd greet them with a smile and a warm handshake.

Lavon and Joyce were members at First Church of God in Beaumont for many years, but after Joyce's passing, he eventually joined First Baptist Church-Bevil Oaks. Shortly after moving to Nacogdoches in May 2018, he had his letter moved to First Baptist Church-Nacogdoches. That was the final church he was a member of. He enjoyed the preaching and especially the Sunday School class.













Pallbearer

Ron Griggs

Interment

Forest Lawn Memorial Park
Beaumont, Texas

Memorial Contributions

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital
501 St. Jude Place
Memphis, Tennessee 38105



Please sign Mr. Jones' guest book and share your memories at
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