



## Wendell Wilke Jones

February 8, 1941 - January 19, 2022

Wendell Wilke Jones passed away on January 19, 2022 at Reynolds-WVU Hospital in GlenDale WV. He was 80 years of age and caring for his gardens and back yard birds until his recent cardiac issues.

Wendell was born February 8, 1941 to Wilda (Dumire) and Theodore Jones in GlenDale WV. He was preceded in death by his parents, his loving wife of 56 years, Mary Lynn, and his brothers Robert and Elwood.

He is survived by 2 sons, Chris (Gina) Jones of Maryville TN, Wendell Jr. "Butch" (Lori) Jones of Waterford OH; 1 daughter Jennifer Jones of Lynchburg VA; 3 grandsons; Baron Fortune of Charlottesville VA, and Isaac and Aiden Jones of Waterford OH; 3 granddaughters; Emily (Justin) Nichols of Knoxville TN, Elise Jones of Columbus OH, and Edan Jones of Columbus OH; 3 sisters; Ivette (Gerald) Patrick of Moundsville WV, Thelma (Dennis) Minor of Moundsville WV, and Ella (David) Schoenian of GlenDale WV; and 1 sister-in law; Patty Jones (Elwood).

Wendell attended Moundsville High School graduating in 1959. He then joined the US Navy where he saw active duty as a Boilerman 1st Class on the Destroyer USS Robert A. Owens from 1959 to 1961. Upon return after serving his military commitment, Wendell landed a job at PPG Industries in Natrium WV where he worked as a pipefitter, electrician, and brine well operator before retiring in 2005 after 40+ years on the job. He particularly loved getting together with other PPG retirees at Bob's Lunch in Moundsville every Wednesday morning.

Wendell was avid sports fan and loved his Mountaineers, Pirates and Steelers. Rarely did he miss a game and it was known not to phone him during games as he was quite distracted. He spent much of his retirement years travelling with his wife and his Uni-Globe friends to all but two Major League Baseball stadiums.

Wendell was very supportive of his children's activities as a Moundsville Youth Baseball coach (FOP), and Scoutmaster/Asst. Scoutmaster for Moundsville Troop 79 for many years. He was probably best known in Boy Scouts for his "rise and shine" tactics singing "You are My Sunshine" until all had awaken on camping trips and at Summer camps. In his later years he found great enjoyment watching his grandchildren's sporting events. Wendell would do anything for his family and friends immediately stopping what he was

doing to help someone in need. He was a kind-hearted soul that will sorely be missed. The family will receive friends on Saturday from 2-4PM and 6-8PM at the Grisell Funeral Home and Crematory, 400 Jefferson Ave., Moundsville where funeral services will be held on Sunday at 1:00PM with Reverend Hubbs officiating. Private interment will be held at the convenience of the family at Riverview Cemetery, Moundsville.

# Cemetery Details

## Riverview Cemetery

Round Bottom Hill Rd.  
Moundsville, WV

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 22. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Grisell Funeral Home  
400 Jefferson Ave.  
Moundsville, WV 26041

## Visitation

JAN 22. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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## Funeral Service

JAN 23. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Grisell Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Wendell Wilke Jones*



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**Grisell Funeral Homes** - January 21 at 12:11 PM

SB

*To all the family, we are sorry for the passing of Wendell. Roger worked with Wendell and car pulled with him for several years. He thought highly of him! May God give you all strength and comfort in the days ahead to cope at this difficult time, I am sure you all have many wonderful memories to sustain you. May it bring comfort to all, knowing how well liked Wendell was and how others saw him as a kind and caring person! He will be missed by many. God be with you all and many prayers are being lifted up for at this time!\_\_\_Roger and Sherry Brady*

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**Sherry Brady** - January 21 at 05:00 PM

SB

*My thoughts, prayers and deepest sympathy are with all of you in the passing of Wendell. Cherish all your fondest memories and all the great times you spent together. Wendell and Mary Lynn are probably having one heck of a reunion. Probably getting ready for baseball season to begin. They were a model couple. Sue Blevins*

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**Sue Blevins** - January 23 at 06:59 AM

JS

“ *Wendell was a kind gentle man, great neighbor many years ago. Chris, Jenny and Butch, so sorry for your loss. You have great memories of wonderful parents. May you find peace with those memories. Judy and Matt Schorr*

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**Judith Schorr** - January 26 at 06:01 AM

KR

“ *Chris, Jenny, Butch, So sorry for your loss of your dad he was a wonderful man and neighbor my sisters brother and I will never forget his kindness and thoughtfulness , your mom and dad were wonderful people. You are all in our thoughts and prayers. Kathy Schorr Redd*

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**kathy redd** - January 23 at 01:57 PM

BM

“ So sorry for your loss. Prayers for the family.

Bonnie Mueller - January 23 at 11:48 AM

SR

“ Chris, Jenny, and Butch – We’re so very sorry to hear about your dad, he had a quiet kindness and a great, generous heart. Remembering him as someone who had so much love for you all, who missed your mom so very much, and knowing he’s reunited with her now will hopefully bring some comfort. He’ll be missed by many. We’re sending much love and sincere prayers to you and your families.  
The Rine Family - Bridget, Shelley, Larry, and Marisa

Shelley Rine - January 22 at 04:47 PM

DM

“ Wendell and I worked together as electricians at PPG. He was a hard working and dependable employee. He was good natured and loved to laugh and make others laugh. I remember when I was working with someone else. I tried to bend a joint of conduit in a couple of different angles. It would not fit anywhere. He found it and brought it to the shop and put it on display, trying to get someone to claim it. Awesome man!

Darrell Mayfield - January 22 at 04:26 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Wendell Wilke Jones.



January 22 at 10:51 AM

MP

“ So sorry for the loss of your dad. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family.

The Simmons Family

Michele Neubauer Page - January 22 at 09:34 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Wendell Wilke Jones.



January 22 at 09:16 AM

LE

“ Jenny I'm sorry for your Loss. I remember when you took us to visit your hometown, your mom and dad racing to get to Barron first. Thinking of you and sending Prayers! 🙏

Letitia - January 22 at 08:57 AM



“ May the love of God surround you and your family during this difficult time, May you come to know that the love of God is with you always,

May your memories of Wendell Wilke Jones, give you peace, comfort and strength...

Rest now in the arms of our Lord your mission on earth is complete. I thank you for your service to our Country and my Freedom. You will not be forgotten.

My thoughts  
and prayers to the family of ....

US Navy Veteran, Wendell Wilke Jones, is “A True American Hero” God Bless†

† Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.  
John 15:13 †

Cheryl Skinner, Tri-state Military Museum - January 22 at 04:28 AM

JK

“ Chris, Jennifer, and Butch,

Very sorry to hear about your dad. I'm sure he enjoyed life to the end and was especially proud of the adults his kids and their children became. My thoughts and sympathy go out to you three and the rest of Mr. Jones' family and many friends.

Jay Knapp - January 21 at 10:38 PM

JF

“ Jim and Jodi Franklin purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Wendell Wilke Jones.



Jim and Jodi Franklin - January 21 at 04:42 PM



“ 80 files added to the album LifeTributes



Grisell Funeral Homes - January 21 at 11:58 AM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Wendell Wilke Jones.



January 21 at 10:28 AM

RF

“ I'm so saddened to hear this, thoughts and prayers to his family . RIP Wendell you will be missed.

Rhonda & Sam Franklin - January 21 at 09:05 AM

SB

“ My deepest sympathy goes out to Wendell's kids on the loss of a great great man! His passing saddens me so! But he's back with Mary Lynn and I'm hoping that gives you some peace! God Bless you in this time of sorrow. Sharon Burke

sharon Burke - January 21 at 06:49 AM

CS

*So sorry for your loss, he was a good man, always had a smile when he saw you! My thoughts and prayers are with you all!*

**Chris Sabol** - January 21 at 12:20 PM

JB

*I'm so sorry to hear of Wendell's passing...I, and dozens of others at the PPG-Natrium plant, loved and laughed with fun Wendell for years and years. Wendell Jones was loved by everyone. He was a great guy and left loads of "entertaining" memories for all of us to remember him by. I offer my deepest sympathy and prayers to everyone. May God provide immense comfort, strength, courage, peace and understanding to the entire Jones Family. Rest In Peace, good friend, until we meet again.*

**Judy Burke** - January 21 at 02:00 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Wendell Wilke Jones.*



January 20 at 06:47 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Wendell Wilke Jones.*



January 20 at 06:32 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Wendell Wilke Jones.*



January 20 at 04:09 PM

JF

“ Jim and I are so very sorry to hear about your dad's passing. Wendell was such a wonderful person. We enjoyed talking to him when we saw him outside. He always had time to spend with us talking. Please know that everyone is in our thoughts and prayers

*Jim and Jodi Franklin*

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**Jodi Franklin** - January 20 at 03:27 PM