



Mr. Roy C. Jones

December 27, 1936 - March 7, 2018

Roy C Jones, 81, of Dalton, died Thursday March 7, at Craneville Nursing Home in Dalton.

Born on his Dad's birthday, December 27, 1936, he was the son of Roy C. Jones and Elisabeth Wilcox Jones. He grew up in Vermont where his Dad was a dairy farmer and he learned early the virtues of good work, dedication, and patience.

After elementary school in a one room school house he finished his education at Roberts Wesleyan in Rochester and immediately joined the navy. He served four years as a Disbursement clerk and emissary.

He began his professional life at St. Regis Paper Company in Rhode Island followed by G.T. Schjeldahl Company, Industrial National Bank where he designed an automated Trust Cost System. During the evenings he studied at Bryant College and received his B.S. cum laude.

In 1970 he was appointed Controller for Greylock Plastics

Roy had a deep dedication to Health Care and 1970 found him moving here to become Manager of Cost Accounting and Budgets a position he held until promotion to Controller in 1980 through 1985. These years held wonderful experiences and opportunities. He became a Fellow in Massachusetts Health Care Association; held positions on Pension Board: was awarded the Fulmer award by HCFA; and was the financial negotiator during the Nursing Strike.

Roy was chosen to give a paper in London as part of a two year exchange with a group from England- one year we went there, the following year, they

came here. It was exciting and enriching. It was the first International Fellowship Seminar held in England.

In 1985 Roy Moved from Berkshire Medical Center to North Adams Hospital where he spent four years working with a staff he respected and cared for deeply. He accepted a position in 1989 as Director of Finance at Cooley-Dickenson Hospital and retired from there after 11 years.

Life was not all work: he enjoyed golf; sailing; bowling; playing Cribbage, especially with his daughter and son; backgammon as well. Retirement in Richmond was full and fun- still with his head on the numbers Roy served on the Town Finance Board and was the Treasurer of the Richmond Record until his move to Dalton. He left enough time for sailing, BBQ, Town Picnics and manning the grill for the Council on Aging.

During our years in Richmond, six gentleman formed the RPM and played poker once a week. The nickels and pennies went into the mission bank of the church. They became "brothers"- saw two of them through to the end of life with compassion and respect. And welcoming 2 "newbies".

Roy is survived by his wife of 35 years, Reverend Irene M Jones; his daughter Lisa Lister her husband Doug and grandson Gus; his son, Jonathan H Jones and his wife Leanne; his stepson Bryant Frazier and his wife Laurie, grandsons, Jackson, Keenan, and Ryland and his sisters Isabel Jensen of Naples, FL and Betty Cross of Bennington, Vt.

FUNERAL NOTICE- Honoring his wishes, there will be no calling hours and no formal services at this time. A celebration of Love and Gratitude will be held in the early summer.

Donations in memory of Roy may be made to the Berkshire Humane Society or Soldier On in care of the WELLINGTON FUNERAL HOME, 220 East St., Pittsfield, MA 01201.

Tribute Wall

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“ Irene - I was one of the first employees Roy hired when he went to work for Berkshire Medical Center. Our offices were in the old St Lukes parking lot building, next to the hospital. He was one of the most influential bosses I ever had. He was a compassionate and patient man. We were all very happy when you and he married.

Shortly after he left BMC, so did I. Shortly after he retired from healthcare, so did I. I now live in Florida, doing a lot of what we liked doing together - golfing, playing poker, swimming, and relating with other people in our community. Thank you for sharing him with me. I will always remember him with a fondness in my heart, and I will treasure the memories he & I made together.

Jim Griswold
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“ Dearest Irene,

Please know that our deepest condolences and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult stage of life. You have always done so much to provide comfort to others during the pasting of their loved ones, we only hope that you are comforted by the love we have for you. May God continue to His blessings and love upon you, with hugs and warmth.

Jim Manning & Tracy Manning Cahalan

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