

A CELEBRATION OF LIFE
FOR

LERROY

“POP POP” C. JONES, SR.

AUGUST 12, 1934 - NOVEMBER 26, 2025

MONDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2025

FAMILY HOUR—10:00 A.M. | SERVICE—11:00 A.M.

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OBITUARY

Leroy “Pop Pop” Carlton Jones, Sr., 91, passed away peacefully at his home on November 26, 2025. Born on August 12, 1934, in Washington, D.C., he was the beloved son of the late Fair and Ruth Jones.

A proud Washingtonian, Leroy graduated from Cardozo High School in 1952, where he ran track and showcased his athletic talent. He also loved basketball and might have pursued a professional career if not for his easygoing nature and determination to stay cool without a sweat.

After graduation, he briefly served as a police officer before beginning a long and dedicated career behind the wheel. He worked for many years as a truck driver for Safeway Incorporated and later gave his time to Giant Food. Retirement never slowed him down; he went on to drive a bus for the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, becoming a familiar and friendly presence in recreation centers throughout Seat Pleasant and Marlow Heights, Maryland. He also coached basketball and youth sports, sharing his humor, patience, and easygoing spirit with generations of young people.

Leroy was previously married to the late Eloise Hall. The couple was blessed with five children: Leroy Carlton Jones, Jr., Fair Jones, Deborah Jones, Ruth Jones, and Jeffery Jones.

In 1973, Leroy married the love of his life, Ruth “Poofis” V. Jones, with whom he shared 50 years of devotion and companionship until her passing in June 2023. Through their union, he embraced a blended family of children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren, each of whom brought him immense joy.

A lifelong sports fan, he was happiest surrounded by family, friends, and a good football game—cheering faithfully for his Washington Commanders (formerly Redskins) with trademark passion and enthusiasm. Known for the warmth he brought into every room, “Pop Pop” had a gift for laughter and connection. He made friends easily, shared jokes generously, and lived with a lighthearted spirit that touched everyone he met.

Faith played a central role throughout his life. He served faithfully at Mount Bethel Baptist Church in Northeast Washington, D.C., before later joining From the Heart Church Ministries in 1997, where he diligently served in the Special Services Ministry. His devotion was lived out through quiet kindness, humility, and service.

Leroy will be missed by all who knew and loved him. He leaves behind a loving family to include his children: Leroy Carlton Jones, Jr., Fair Jones, Deborah Jones, Ruth Jones, and Everette Johnson; his grandchildren: Michael Cristwell, Eric Johnson, Yoshimi Yancey, Erica Moore, Mark Yancey, Doris Terry-El, and Tamiko Feltenberger; countless great-grandchildren, great-great grandchildren, and friends who will forever cherish his humor, wisdom, and unwavering love. His legacy is one of joy, hard work, and a life lived fully and well.

He is now reunited with his beloved “Poofis,” at peace, and finally home. Rest in Heaven, “Pop Pop.”

Leroy was preceded in death by his son, Jeffery Jones, and daughter, B. Waxanna Yancey.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Invocation

Congregational Hymn“It Is Well”

Scripture Reading

Old Testament: Psalm 23
New Testament: I Corinthians 1:3-9

Prayer of Comfort

Selection.....Ms. Yoshimi Yancey

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Mr. Mark Yancey, Grandson
Mrs. Tamiko Feltenberger, Granddaughter

Obituary (*Read Silently*)

Song of PreparationMs. Yoshimi Yancey

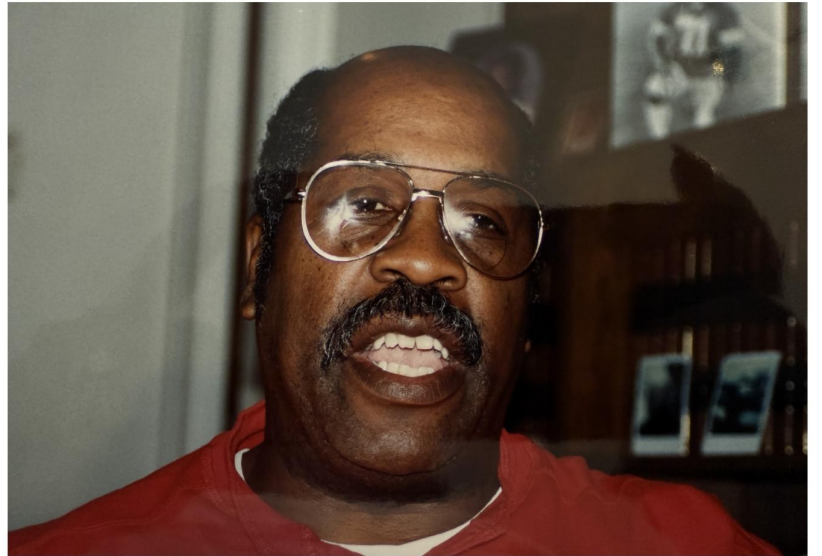
Message of HopeMinister Janet D. Briscoe

Call to Christ

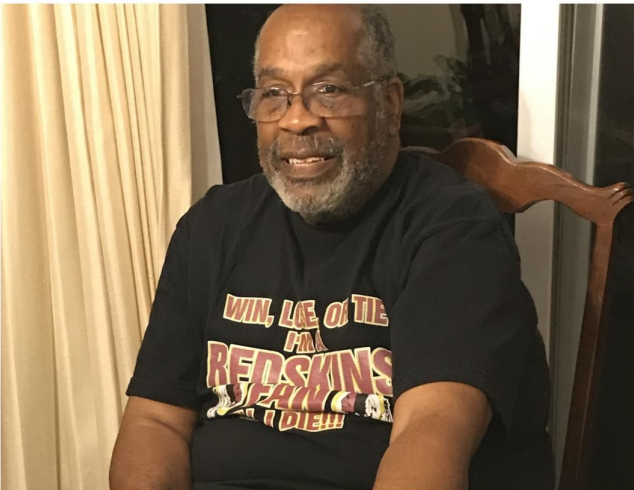
Benediction

Recessional









CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

It Is Well

When peace like a river, attendeth my way,
When sorrows like sea billows roll;
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,
It is well, it is well with my soul.

Chorus

*It is well, with my soul,
It is well, it is well with my soul.*

My sin, oh the bliss of this glorious thought,
My sin, not in part, but the whole,
Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more,
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

Chorus

And, Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight,
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend,
Even so, it is well with my soul.

Chorus

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The family of Leroy Jones, Sr. sincerely thanks you for all of your prayers, comfort, love, and support. Your many acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy have been a blessing to us. May the Lord Jesus Christ bless and keep you in perfect peace!

Special thanks to Ms. Faye, Ms. Audrey, Ms. Avis, Ms. Bernice, and the Connors for your dedicated care over and above expectations. We are forever grateful for the way each of you became part of our family through your loving him as your family

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