



Farrell Jones

February 18, 1949 - November 20, 2024

Farrell Jones was Born February 18, 1949, in Greenville, SC. Born to Jimmie Jones and Frances O'Neal. Farrell died November 20, 2024, at Hospice of Northwest Ohio surrounded by family.

Farrell Moved to Illinois where he attended and graduated in 1968 from Evanston Township High School. During his time at ETHS Farrell was a star three sport athlete, winning the school's only state title in basketball in 1968. Farrell led several teams to state titles in football and track. His athletic performance earned himself a scholarship to Long Beach State. In 2003, Farrell was inducted into the ETHS Hall of Fame for the school's historic 1968 Basketball team. On September 7, 2024, Farrell and the 1966 football team were inducted in the ETHS Hall of Fame along with Damon, becoming the first son and father duo inducted in school history.

He later married Deborah Fizer and had three children, Damon (SharRhonda) Jones, Keisha (Ronald) North, and Lisa Jones.

Farrell retired from Northern Illinois Gas Company. He relocated to Toledo to be closer to sisters and to be a caregiver to his mother.

Farrell loved watching sports. He was proud of his kids. He was a lifelong Dallas Cowboys fan. He loved to laugh and enjoyed time with his friends and

family.

Proceeded in death: Jimmie Jones (father), Frances Smith nee O'Neal (mother), Dwight Jones (brother), Deberoh Jones (sister), Brenda Grainger (sister), Layla North (Granddaughter).

He is survived by Jeff Jones (Brother), Sana Jones (Sister), Kim Rojas (Sister), Bakeba Jones (Sister), his children, and grandchildren Damon Jones II, Jalen North, Braden North, nieces and nephews, friends, family, teammates, and ex-wife Linda Austin.

Tribute Wall

DJ

“ Just had first Father’s Day without you here in the present. I love you and miss you daily!



Damon Jones - June 16, 2025 at 07:33 PM

AK

“ Shocked and saddened to learn of Farrell's passing. Farrell taught me toughness and it was an honor to be his teammate. I'll always remember our last car ride together. RIP.

Teammate and friend, Alvin Keith

Alvin Keith - December 06, 2024 at 07:01 PM

RT

“ For many years Farrell and his family were a part of my life. I am deeply grieved that he is not with us. Thank God for our memories that live in our hearts.

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RITA TURNER - December 06, 2024 at 11:48 AM

JR

“ My sympathy to Farrell's family and his sports family. I had the honor to play football along side #77 on the WILDKIT 1967 O line and double team with him for many a TD. GREAT TEAMMATE. A deserving HOF athlete. God bless him and his family.
John Redding

John Redding - November 26, 2024 at 05:17 PM

BE

“ Farrell you and your basketball team mates will always be in my heart—the absolute joy you brought to ETHS —Comforting to know what beautiful children and grandchildren were in your life—your love will always be with them. Barb(Grimes) Ernst

barbara ernst - November 26, 2024 at 12:47 PM

RE

“ I am sending my heartfelt condolences to the Jones family. I didn't know Farrell well but he stepped up to be a father to my youngest nephew Terry. He was a good man and will be greatly missed by all the people whose lives he touched.

Renee - November 25, 2024 at 08:47 PM

RC

“ In memory of my teammate and friend, history forever remembers two types of greatness in people, the first person to accomplish a never done before historical breakthrough and the last person to accomplish it. To that end, Farrell Jones, the first center to help bring the first and only State Basketball Championship to Evanston Township High School in 1968 though now gone can never be forgotten. He cannot be forgotten because down thru the ages history won't allow it!
Let his memory be blessed

Ron Cooper 1968 Teammate and lifelong friend

Ron Cooper - November 25, 2024 at 08:07 PM

BB

*How wonderful and exciting it was to watch Farrell (and Ron Cooper) as youngsters grow up in Evanston. I was very proud, especially when Farrell wore my basketball #44.
What a Champion. R. I. P.*

Bob Burmeister - November 26, 2024 at 10:37 AM

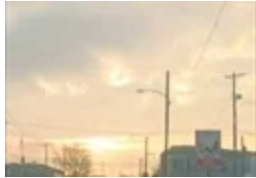
DL

*I worked with Farrell at Northern Illinois Gas Company good co worker
rip*

Dennis Lewis - May 19, 2025 at 07:53 AM



“ Farrell I just wanted to thank you so much for taking care of me when I was sick and I'm glad that I was able to return the favor and take care of you when you were sick I hope we made you proud we all love you very much fly high my friend love always Linda



Linda Raye Austin - November 23, 2024 at 08:50 PM

KS

I'm glad you got to spend your life together. I love you.

Kristen Sowell - November 25, 2024 at 09:51 AM

LL

“ I know you are so proud of your children and grandchildren, each one has some special part of you. I know you will rest well & stand watch over all of them.

Lisa Lackey - November 23, 2024 at 07:39 PM

KN

“ Dad, I really want you to still be here, but I don't want you to suffer again. I know you are always watching over me, and I will continue to make you proud. I will always love and miss you with all my heart until we meet again...



Keisha North - November 23, 2024 at 06:43 PM

RB

Farrell, I'm glad I got to know you. You was a good person. Rest in peace my friend

Reena bennett - November 24, 2024 at 05:38 PM

KS

What a beautiful picture. He loved you guys so much. ❤️

Kristen Sowell - November 25, 2024 at 09:51 AM

DJ

“ *I always wanted to be like my dad. He always told me to be better than me. I hope I made you proud!! Rest Easy it was a great journey Dad. I love you always.*



Damon Jones - November 22, 2024 at 04:27 PM

RB

Farrell was a wonderful person. I was glad to know him .

Reena Bennett - November 23, 2024 at 12:18 PM

KS

He was so proud of you, Damon. He always spoke highly of you and your sisters. ❤️

Kristen Sowell - November 25, 2024 at 09:50 AM

SW

Farrell and I played side-by-side on the defensive line during the ETHS 1967 football season. Our team's success (we were named state champions) was due in no small measure to Farrell's always outstanding play. He was a great athlete and, even more, a nice guy. Historical note: his best game was against New Trier HS, which we beat 32-0 and in which he scored a touchdown (on defense) and recover two fumbles. Rest in peace, teammate.

Steve Weingartner 11/26/2024

Steve Weingartner - November 26, 2024 at 12:14 PM

BH

On behalf of our brother Rick (1950-2019, ETHS Class of '68), the Hoover family sends our condolences to the Jones family and all who knew him well.

Bill Hoover, ETHS Class of '70.

Bill Hoover - November 26, 2024 at 01:54 PM