



Donald L. Jenkins

January 15, 1959 - April 14, 2018

DONALD LEE JENKINS was born on January 15, 1959 in Suffolk, Virginia to Amos and Ruth Jenkins (predeceased). He departed this earthly life on April 14, 2018 at the age of 59 years.

Donald affectionately referred to as Don Lee, Big D, Pops, Papa, Heavy D or Uncle Don graduated from I. C. Norcum High School where he exemplified great athletic abilities in football, basketball and wrestling. However, he shone brightly as a football star as the first freshman to play on the varsity team as a linebacker number 44. Don Lee was proud to be a greyhound, and he supported the school wholeheartedly. Don worked at GE for several years, but retired from Marine Hydraulics International (MHI) as a facility supervisor for over 25 years. When he was not supporting a sports event, Don could be found participating in his favorite hobby, fishing. He loved to fish from a boat, pier or anywhere. Don was one with a friendly disposition; he was known to be a great storyteller. Whether the stories were true or a fish tale, he was bound to get a laugh from his audience. When Don met Angela and the two became one, they were inseparable traveling across the country enjoying life to the fullest until his health got the best of him. The trials of his health still did not keep him down. Don Lee played games with the family on game nights and kept everyone in stitches. When he could no longer go to the games at Norcum, he would sit on the porch and listen to them. He will always be a number one Greyhound.

Don was predeceased by his brothers, Jerome and Rylent.

Donald will be lovingly remembered by his wife Angela Annette Jenkins and his children, LaTonya Jenkins, Latoyia Goodley, Donald "Don Don" Jenkins, Jr., LaDonte Wilder (Amanda), DeAndre Wilder (Aleeia) and DeAngelo Wilder, sister, Ruth Anna Jenkins, brothers Jeremiah "Junie" Roundtree (Harriett), Kenny Jenkins, sister-in-laws, Kimblyn Clanton Moore and Vernice Crocker (Howard); grandchildren, Jasmine, Amore, Ezara, A'Andrea and DeAndre "DJ"; a loving nephew, Melvin Page (Traci) and a host of nieces, family and friends especially the I. C. Norcum Alumni.

Cemetery Details

Greenlawn Memorial Gardens

3920 Airline Blvd
Chesapeake, VA

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 20. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

J.T. Fisher Funeral Services
1248 N. George Washington Hwy.
Chesapeake, VA 23323
(757) 487-3700
info@jtfisherfuneralservices.com
<https://www.jtfisherfuneralservices.com>

Service

APR 21. 12:00 PM (ET)

Grove Church
5910 West Norfolk Road
Portsmouth, VA

Tribute Wall



“ *J.T. Fisher Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Donald L. Jenkins*



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - April 20, 2018 at 08:52 PM

CT

Sorry For Your Loss. Praying For The Family. Love You. Christine Taylor

Christine Taylor - April 21, 2018 at 09:22 AM



“ *Mary Newby sent a virtual gift in memory of Donald L. Jenkins*



Mary Newby - April 24, 2018 at 02:36 PM

ML

“ *Just heard this sad news. Donald was one of Coach Hank's first wrestlers. He was such a special person. The Lowery family (Ms. Hank, Hanketta, and Little Hank) send thoughts, prayers, and condolences to your entire family. He will be missed.*

Martha Lowery

Martha Lowery - April 23, 2018 at 10:58 AM

LC

“ Lydia Campbell lit a candle in memory of Donald L. Jenkins



Lydia Campbell - April 23, 2018 at 07:55 AM

ES

“ To the Jenkins Family: I extend my heartfelt condolence at this difficult time. I was sadden to see Donald's picture in the obituary. Every time I would see the boys, I would see Bro Amos' smile. And after the smile, the boys would always say, "how you doing Mr. Fortson?" I was self-employed at Fortson's Market for about 20 years and I enjoyed serving the Jenkins' Family. With the boys, we always talked about fishing and I C Norcom. I haved pulled up beside him in his gray RAM and me in my red RAM. I told him, my wife gave me my RAM for a retirement present. It will be difficult for me to not think of him because we both had RAMs and both stayed on North Street. If I can assist in any way, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Edward Earl Fortson, Sr,
Fortson's Economy Market
1820 Elm Avenue
Portsmouth, VA

Edward Earl Fortson, Sr. - April 21, 2018 at 09:21 AM

LH

“ Laverne Howard lit a candle in memory of Donald L. Jenkins



Laverne Howard - April 20, 2018 at 08:00 PM

LH

I send my sincere condolences to the family ...

Laverne Howard - April 20, 2018 at 08:01 PM

SR

“ Shirley and Ramu purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Donald L. Jenkins.



Shirley and Ramu - April 19, 2018 at 10:19 PM



“ 101 files added to the album Life Tributes



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - April 19, 2018 at 06:12 PM

MT

“ Don Lee, always a smile and a hug after saying "hey, how are you"? He will be missed. Thanks to the family for sharing Don Lee with us, Classmates of I.C.N. He will be missed and my prayers are with each of you. The Lord has a great person with him. Don Lee is smiling down on us. A fisher of men.

Marsha Taylor - April 18, 2018 at 10:25 PM

CA

Don Lee was always smiling and was very friendly. I always remember seeing him at the Homecomings for Norcom. He was an excellent athlete in school and a wonderful friend. We will all miss this great warrior. My condolences to the family.

Carolyn George Allen - April 20, 2018 at 02:50 PM



“ *Mary Newby lit a candle in memory of Donald L. Jenkins*



Mary Newby - April 18, 2018 at 01:53 AM



“ *My sympathy to you and your family*

Mary Newby - April 17, 2018 at 08:39 PM

SP

“ *Shelia Parker lit a candle in memory of Donald L. Jenkins*



Shelia Parker - April 15, 2018 at 10:58 PM