



Jack Oliver Bonner

December 21, 1940 - January 4, 2018

Jack Oliver Bonner passed away at his home in the Trinity Community near Jonesville on the morning of January 4, 2018. Funeral services will be held at Young's Funeral Home Chapel in Jonesville at 1:00 PM on Saturday, January 6, 2018 with The Reverend Jack Knapp officiating. Interment will follow at Jena Cemetery, under the direction of Young's Funeral Home-Jonesville. Visitation will be from 11:00 AM until time for the service.

Mr. Bonner was born on December 21, 1940 on a third-generation family farm in the Mississippi River Delta community of Turner in Phillips County, Arkansas to parents Oliver Gaines Bonner and Geraldine Brown Bonner. After graduation from Marvell High School Jack took a job as a day laborer at a Bunge USA grain buying facility near Helena, Arkansas. He would spend the next 43 years employed by Bunge at several locations. Utilizing the work ethic and humanitarian qualities learned on the Bonner family farm Jack advanced with Bunge to manage facilities in Arkansas; Selma, Alabama; Greenville, Mississippi; Mermentau, Vidalia and Jonesville, Louisiana.

Mr. Bonner retired from Bunge in 2005 and worked as a consultant in the grain industry for a time. In 2007 he was employed as manager of the farmer owned C-C Planter's Gin in Jonesville and remained there until his death.

Early in his association with the gin Mr. Bonner was diagnosed with mantle

cell lymphoma by Dr. Steven Sacarro of Alexandria. He was treated by physicians at M. D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston for the last 9 years.

Throughout his life Mr. Bonner had been an avid golfer, angler, duck hunter, student of history and fan of The University of Arkansas Razorbacks and well at the LSU Tigers.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Dennis Charles Bonner.

He is survived by his wife of 27 years, Florene King Bonner, children Jack Kevin Bonner and wife Patricia of West Monroe, LA, Leigh Ann Ingram and husband Todd of Jena, LA and their mother Ann Floyd Bonner. In addition he is survived by siblings Monty Joe Bonner and wife Anita of Eads, TN; Nancy Olivia Hicks of Fayetteville, AR; Connie Iris Cooper and husband Johnny of Marvell, AR; step-children Bobby Studebaker, Jr., of Katy, TX; Kimberly Studebaker of Breaux Bridge, LA; grandchildren Ethan Gainers Bonner and wife Rachel; Caitlin Rebecca Bonner and Ella Grace Bonner all of West Monroe, LA; step-grandchildren Avery Paul Dubois of New Orleans; Zachary Arthur Brazda of Arnaudville, LA; Gabrielle Cheverie, LePec, France; Adrienne Jewel Studebaker of Katy, TX; Great-grandchildren Abbot Jack Bonner; step great-grandchildren Hallie Brazda, Celia Cheverie and Chloe Cheverie.

Serving as pallbearers are: Ethan Bonner, Blake Dennis Hicks, Zachary Bonner, Avery Dubois, Ross Rivers Poland, David Harlan King, Leigh Davin King, Michael Gene Posey and Michael Spivey.

Honorary pallbearers are: Owners of C-C Planters Gin (Kenneth McClure, Tom Cotton, Rick Krahn, Yancy Gray, Gary Wood, Dale Fannin, Gerald Boelte, Carvel White, Kenneth Cooper, Chris Freeman, Paul Cater, Al Guido,

Charles Wood, Lester Fannin, Tim White, George LaPrairie), Hugh Bonner, Darrell Bonner, Gaines Bonner, Austin King, Ray King, Shep Poland, Richard Milton, Jonathan Anderson, Pam Riggs, Patricia White, Jamie Ford and Melvin Purvis.

Cemetery Details

Jena Cemetery

Jena, LA

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 6. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Young's Funeral Home - Jonesville
2313 HWY 84 West
Jonesville, LA 71343

Service

JAN 6. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *To The Family of Jack Bonner*

I joined Bunge about a year after Jack and we worked together until I retired in 2003. Jack was a great person to all the Bunge employees as well as to all his customers. We both participated in the growth of Bunge and we both saw some great times and some challenging times but both of enjoyed the business and enjoyed being friends. I remember meeting Jack, Bubba and Ray for the first time and knowing I needed lots help from them as they were from Arkansas and I was from Central Illinois and little experience in dealing with the farmers in Ark, MS and LA. Jack was always special as several times when we were having company meetings he was the leader who would stand up and say "that sounds like a good idea let us give it a try". I know I am better person for having known and worked with Jack. Thanks Jack and I will still remember and have a smile when I think of some the good times we had together.

Dick McWard

Richard A. McWard - January 05, 2018 at 05:25 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jack Oliver Bonner.*



January 05, 2018 at 03:14 PM

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“ *Katherine Squyres lit a candle in memory of Jack Oliver Bonner*



Katherine Squyres - January 05, 2018 at 03:43 AM