



Mr. Albert Fones

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Fones, Albert, of St. Petersburg, died on Monday, January 21, 2013. He is survived by his partner of 44 years, Raymond L. McColgan of St. Petersburg; his sisters Ellena Troia and Rita Sofinowski of Baltimore, MD and many nieces and nephews in the United States and Italy. He is predeceased by his parents, Ernesto and Carmela Fones (Cuomo) of Naples, Italy; his brothers Vittorio and Aldo Fones of Naples, Italy and his sisters Iolanda Fones of Naples, Italy and Anna Fones of Baltimore, MD. Al came to the United States from Naples, Italy at a young age and settled in Baltimore, MD. He was proud of his learned trade as a welder and worked for ArcRods before working for the US Naval Academy and then the US Coast Guard in Curtis Bay, MD. He was most proud of his work building ships for the Coast Guard. Friends and family may visit on Friday, February 1, 2013 from 7:00 - 9:00pm at Memorial Park Funeral Home, 5750 49th St. N. St. Petersburg, FL 33709. A mass of Christian Burial will be said at The Episcopal Cathedral Church of St. Peter, 140 4th Street North, St. Petersburg, FL 33701, on Saturday, February 2, 2013 at 10:00am. Interment will immediately follow the service at Memorial Park Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, Al would have wanted donations to be made in his name to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital - StJude.org



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ME

Marie Johnson, Christie Damron, Monti Eastin posted:

Your girlfriends from Texas will always hold a special place in their heart for you. You will be truly missed. Our thoughts and prayers go out to friends and family.

February 4 at 4:55 AM

TA

Tim, Ken And Don posted:

We know Al is in a place where there is no pain and suffering. We will miss his smile, charisma, his amusing stories of traveling and working in Baltimore, and fantastic bolognese sauce! We love you Al!

February 2 at 4:31 AM

PB

Paul & Brian posted:

Al will be missed by many. He was a wonderful man and would always have a smile. We will always have a place set for you, at least in our hearts, at our bi-monthly dinners with the SSSP. Deepest condolences to you, Ray. We love you.

January 31 at 6:30 PM

RP

Richard Padilla posted:

I was saddened by the passing of Al. He was always such a wonderful host . I was sad when both him and Ray left the MCC church, that just ment I would see them less. You touched many lives, and that wonderful smile was truly a gift. You will be missed.

January 27 at 5:31 PM

MA

Mark & Tim posted:

We are deeply saddened by Al's passing. He was a wonderful dear friend who always made us feel welcome. Ray, our hearts go out to you during this time of sadness. We pray the Lord gives you comfort during this time of sadness. With our love,Mark & Tim

January 27 at 1:39 PM



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RB

Ron And Bill posted:

RayWe are saddened by the grief you're feeling now, And want so much to comfort you and ease your heart. We hope that the love of our friendship well help to see you through. Know that time will bring you brighter days.With all our Love!Ron and Bill

January 26 at 4:16 AM

AP

Allan & Peter posted:

Al, your spirit has been set free to roam the "Golden Streets of Heaven" and sit at one of the Celestial Cafes with family and friends, that have gone on before you, reminiscing about your journey's on earth. Al, no more pain, just Peace, Love and Tranquility as you roam in God's great Heavenly Universe. Ray, our hearts go out to you. May God be with you through this time of grieving. God Bless you Ray, Allan and Peter

January 25 at 8:22 AM

BA

Bob And Joe posted:

We enjoyed all of the times we spent with Al. He will be missed by all. Our condolences and love to his partner Ray

January 24 at 2:14 PM

RP

Roger Garcia & Dante Pinochet posted:

Ray:We pray God to give you peace and strenght in this hard journey in the lost of Al. T hinking of youRoger & Dante

January 24 at 1:41 PM

JM

Junia & Mike Milvain posted:

Al was a wonderful, friendly, warm, good-humored man. We will miss our conversations.

January 24 at 11:57 AM



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DC

Dianne And Frank Casorio posted:

We wrap our arms around you, Ray, as you grieve the passing of your beloved Al. May good memories soften the pain of your great loss. Al was a loving and gracious friend to us all. I, Dianne, will always remember how he loved my hats! They will always be worn in his honor. For you dear Ray... may God give you the strength and comfort you need as He gently dries the tears from your eyes. Much love, Dianne and Frank

January 24 at 5:38 AM

CN

Charlene Nielsen posted:

Al, you were a wonderful addition to our family, and will be greatly missed by all of us. Rest now, and watch over Ray. Charlene, Dave & Jeff

January 24 at 4:53 AM

RZ

Ron Zietz posted:

Al and Ray have been among my oldest friends in Florida. Their love and support have helped me with the loss of my own partner. Al and I shared thoughts while we both dealt with cancer issues. His smile and warm friendship could always help to lift me up. I will miss him dearly.

January 23 at 8:12 AM

LM

Lisa Troia Martin posted:

Ray, We send our deepest condolences to you. You are in our thoughts and prayers. I hope that all the good memories of your life and travels will help you to get through this difficult time. We will visit you on our next trip to Florida. Love, Lisa and Joe

January 23 at 7:35 AM

JO

Joe & Jim posted:

Our hearts go out to all Al's family for their loss. Never was there a truer friend nor more faithful compatriot. From tropical island respites to shipboard experiences, you will always be in our hearts. We miss you. Joe & Jim

January 23 at 6:51 AM



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CF

Cl Adams / David Feight posted:

Good bye Dear Friend. May God greet you with open arms. You will be missed by so many wonderful friends. You have introduced us to many people since we moved here for the winters. It made our transition much easier. You and Ray gave such fabulous get togethers. Hard to believe you knew so many people. They all thought you were special people, and you are. See you in Heaven. Hope to party with you there.

January 23 at 5:35 AM

HR

Howard Riddles posted:

I always think of Al at the Cathedral. Hewas always happy and would never let me getaway with walking past him and not saying hello. My thoughts and my prayers are with his partner Ray and with his family.I hope for the strength you all need at this time. God bless you.

January 23 at 4:27 AM

JB

Jess Beaty posted:

I was blessed to have known Al, even for a short time. The ever present twinkle in his eyes and his wonderful smile told you he was a good,caring and loving man. God Bless him and Keep him.

January 23 at 4:09 AM

DC

David And Marianne Coleman posted:

We loved you dearly and will miss you.Promise to help Ron in anyway he needs Love and God watch over both of you Our hearts are full if sadness.

January 23 at 3:54 AM

JB

Judy Beck posted:

Al was a lovely person and will be very much missed.

January 23 at 3:16 AM



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SV

Scott Velez posted:

Our condolences and prayers are with Ray in his great loss. Al was one remarkable, beautiful person who we were proud to call our friend. You will be missed dearly but forever in our hearts. Fly away from here my friend....now fly home to be at rest. With our love, Scott and Louis

January 22 at 5:28 PM

JH

Jim Hilliard posted:

Al will be greatly missed for his quick wit and easy smile. He was always a welcome addition to any social event and brought much happiness by his happy demeanor. Sympathies to Ray and family.

January 22 at 4:37 PM

LP

Lester Wolff & Bob Pettey posted:

Our heart goes out to Ray. May you find comfort and solace in your grief with fond memories of all the good times you shared together. With love, Lester & Bob

January 22 at 4:26 PM

DS

David Lones / Stephen Smith posted:

Only knew Al through our good friend Jack MacInnis. Even though Steve and I did not know him well he was always welcoming and hospitable. You will be missed by many, I'm sure. Our condolences to his partner Ray as well as his many friends and family. I'll always remember singing around the piano in your beautiful home. RIP

January 22 at 3:37 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Albert by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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