



John Bennett

November 21, 1928 - April 18, 2015

Conway...John C. "J.C." Bennett, age 86, died April 18, 2015 at Palmetto Health Richland Heart Hospital in Columbia, SC following an illness.

Mr. Bennett was born in Florence, SC, a son of Jesse Cohen and Ruby Elease Coker Bennett. He was a member of North Conway Baptist Church. He served four years in the U.S. Navy. Prior to retirement, he was employed by the U.S. Postal Service for 30 years. He was a 7th Degree Mason. Mr. Bennett was Past President of the Conway Jaycees, Board of Directors for the Horry Youth Club and former Scout Master of Boy Scout Troop 848. He was President and founder of Coastal Umpires Association and was certified by the S.C. High School League in football and baseball. He also was a former board member of the Waccamaw Regional Planning and Development Council, Horry County Council on Aging, serving as Chairman and Vice-Chairman. He served on the Conway City Council, and was Mayor Pro Temp. Mr. Bennett was on the Horry County Recreation Commission, Chairman of the Horry County Memorial Library Commission and was a Silver Haired Legislative Delegate. He received the following awards: (Danny Jones Club) Tantamount Dixie Youth Baseball Hall of Fame 1981, chosen to umpire Dixie Youth World Series - 1965, Daughters of American Revolution Community Service Award- 1997, American Legion Awards- Americanism Award- 1996 and Outstanding Leadership Award, Past Commander-1996. Mr. Bennett was predeceased by a daughter, Lisa Kleckley; and two sisters: Fahrnease Stokes, and Rebecca Othell Kiker.

Survivors include his wife, Ramona Jordan Bennett of Conway; one son, Jan Bennett and wife Deidi of Lexington, SC; grandchildren, Jordan and Joshua Bennett; one brother, Tommy L. Bennett of Charleston, SC; one sister, Eleanor DeLoach and husband Bill of Murrells Inlet; son-in-law, Jim Kleckley of Conway; sister-in-law, Jenny Kizziar and husband Jim of Florence; brother in law, W.J. Jordan of Florence; special caregiver, Barbara Demirer; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held 11:30 AM Wednesday at North Conway Baptist Church with Dr. Jeffrey Gaskins officiating. Entombment will follow at Hillcrest Mausoleum.

The family will receive friends from 10:00 until 11:30 AM in the church fellowship hall.

An online guestbook is available at www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com

Memorials may be sent to North Conway Baptist Church Building Fund, 1608 Sessions St. Conway, SC 29526.

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel is in charge of all the arrangements.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **22**. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

North Conway Baptist Church
1608 Sessions Street
Conway, SC 29526

Service

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Tribute Wall

LL

“ *Ramona, Kathryn and I are out of town but, please know that you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers during this time. I know that God will give you the strength you need at this sad time. In Christ Love,
Lamar and Kathryn Lewis*

lamar lewis - April 22, 2015 at 06:18 PM

JK

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the family. Loved JC and his stories! In Heaven with Lisa now walking streets of gold! Love,
Jennie and Richard Kendrick*

Jennie Kendrick - April 21, 2015 at 04:10 PM

RF

“ *I learned Mr. J.C. and Mrs. Ramona while working as a teenager at Lauries IGA. I also got to know Mrs. Ramona through the bank across the street. Those were good days and years. To all the family, I know you'll miss Mr. J.C. but only for a season. We've got a much better time a coming! May God hold you close during his passing.*

Robert Ford - April 21, 2015 at 11:03 AM

WU

“ *RIP Sailor !!!!
Wayne Williams
United States Marine Corps*

Wayne Williams - USMC - April 20, 2015 at 04:42 PM

LA

“ I was one of Mr. Bennett's Occupational Therapists at Palmetto Health. He holds a special place in my heart and I will never forget his sweet smile. My thoughts and prayers are with the Bennett family during this time. Sincerely, Lauren Turbeville

lauren - April 20, 2015 at 04:14 PM

JM

“ On behalf of my late mother, Bernice Thornbrew McKnight, please know that our thoughts are with the family. J. C. Bennett was a cousin and a friend ... she spoke of him often and always enjoyed the opportunities to visit with him or talk to him on the telephone.

Joe McKnight - April 20, 2015 at 03:47 PM

SP

So sorry about J.C.'s passing and wish I could have been there to give what little comfort that is possible when we lose a loved one. Love and comfort to Ramona, Jan and all of the family.

Shelby (Gowdy) Pontiff - April 23, 2015 at 06:01 PM

SG

“ Ramona, I am sadden about the news of JC's passing. He is clearly what Tom Brokaw's book "The Greatest Generation" was about. I had great respect for him. You and your family will be in our prayers. Stan and Glenda Gibson

Stan Gibson - April 20, 2015 at 02:25 PM

SS

Ramona, Jan and family. We are so sorry to hear of JC's passing. You and JC were very special to us. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. Billy and Sandra Strickland

Sandra Strickland - April 20, 2015 at 07:33 PM

GS

*Ramona, Jan, Jenny, WJ and family,
Dick & I are so very sad to hear of JC's death. Our thoughts and
prayers are with you all during this time. We will see you on
Wednesday. Love to you all, Glyne & Dick Sommer*

Glyne Sommer - April 20, 2015 at 08:05 PM

AH

*Jan,
I am so sorry for your loss. I didn't know your Dad but judging by the
wonderful man and friend you are, he must have been a wonderful
person. Please accept my deepest condolences for you and your
family. Love you and remember I am here if you need me! Love, Anita*

Anita A Hutto - April 21, 2015 at 09:06 AM

PA

*Jan and family, you are in our prayers.
Al and Patsy Fulmer - PHB*

Patsy - April 21, 2015 at 12:57 PM

SG

*Dear Ramona, Jan, Bubba, Jenny Lee and family,
We are so sorry and pray that you find comfort and strength from Christ
during this most difficult time in your lives.
Love, Sue Sommer Green and family.*

Sue Green - April 22, 2015 at 04:57 PM