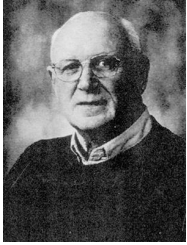


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**Rene L. Mons**

Rene L. Mons, 77, died on August 5, 2016 at Hackett Hill Center in Manchester. He was born on November 26, 1938 in Manchester, son of the late Frank, Sr and Rachel Bernard Mons.

He was the husband of Marilyn (Currie) Mons. They were married for 27 years.

He attended Brown Elementary School in Manchester where he was first introduced to baseball. He was a graduate of West High School in Manchester where he lettered in both baseball and football. Following High School he joined the [U.S. Navy](#) and flew as a radio operator for the "Hurricane Hunters" until honorably discharged in October of 1959. He went on to receive his Undergraduate Degree from Jacksonville University in 1966 and then attended the University of NH where he fell just short of completing his Masters in U.S. History.

Rene had a long career in sports starting in his youth when he earned six letters, co-captaining in both baseball and football. He also played both Babe Ruth and American Legion baseball. His playing career ended in 1963 with the impending birth of his son, which he considered one of his greatest honors, and financial responsibility of being a father necessitating foregoing partial scholarship and playing baseball thereafter.

During Rene's professional career he had been a part-time scout for the Cincinnati Reds and Seattle Mariners before being hired as a full-time scout for the Pittsburgh Pirates, San Diego Padres, and ending his career with the Boston Red Sox. He was honored by Topps as Scout of the Month in July 1996 and All-star Scout in 1999. He also received several district/conference Coach of the year Awards, was State Chairman of Athletic Directors for the Florida Athletic Coaches Association for five years, and a finalist for National Athletic Director of the Year in 1986. In 2009, Rene was inducted into the Baseball Scout Hall of Fame in Brockton, MA where there is now an honorary statue of him.

Other notable achievements include playing football in Navy at NAS Memphis in 1957, Coach/Player in Men's City League Baseball in Jacksonville, FL, won Florida Senior Major League State Baseball Championship in 1981, Florida State Baseball Finals in 1979, Coached HS baseball with a winning record of 169-47, and was selected as HS Coach of the Year by Florida Professional Baseball Scouts Association in 1982.

Along with his parents, Frank and Rachel, he was predeceased by his brother, Frank Mons, Jr.

He is survived by his beloved wife, Marilyn, five children and their spouses, Jeffrey Mons and wife Felecia of Jacksonville, FL, Stephanie Chamberlain and husband Bryan of Jacksonville, FL, Jennifer Schilpp and husband Joseph of Mt. Pleasant, SC, Michael Ferdinando and wife Jean of Ithaca, NY, and Jill Webber; twelve grandchildren, Shelby, Morgan, Cody, Courtney, Brendan, Shannon, Patrick, Hannah, Elizabeth, Meredith, Leah, and Eliza; his sister, Barbara Murray and husband Harold of Hooksett; and his dog Chloe.

SERVICES: A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at St. Raphael Parish, 103 Walker Street in Manchester on Tuesday, August 9, 2016 at 10am. Family and friends are respectfully invited to attend.

**Funeral Home****Phaneuf Funeral Homes**

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