

Mike Jones

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Education: I graduated from Hillsborough Community College with an Associates Arts Degree in Business Administration.

Military Service: I enlisted as a private in the United States Marine Corps and moved up the ranks to Corporal. I served in Vietnam as a combat infantryman. I received the Purple Heart award while serving in Vietnam.

Work Experience: I had 30 years of consecutive service with the Florida Department of Corrections where I retired as a Major. As a Major, I managed one of the largest organizations in the state of Florida. The FDOC has the largest budget and the second largest organization in the country. I supervised over 600 staff and several departments, including the business office, accounting, personnel, maintenance, vehicle fleet, sewer and water department, all while on a very tight budget. I pride myself in working with all my staff to achieve many goals. Over my 30 years with the Department of Corrections I have received numerous classes and training in Management. I am a results oriented leader with decades of experience in leading the largest organization in Florida.

Public Service: I currently serve on the Dunedin Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee. I am a volunteer Deputy with the Pinellas County Sheriffs Office. My past service includes the Dunedin Public Safety Committee and U.S. Military and Veterans Advisory Committee.

Personal: I am married to my wife Donna for 50 years . I grew up in Hamilton Ohio and after graduating, went to serve my country in the United States Marine Corps. I have two great children who graduated from Dunedin High School. My daughter graduated from the St. Petersburg College. She is a teacher at Garrison Jones Elementary School.

My son Mike graduated from Dunedin High School and went on to College at the University of South Florida. He has his own business and is doing very well in Atlanta, Georgia.

I have two great grandchildren and they are fabulous. They keep my wife Donna and I very busy with school, dance and softball.

My wife Donna owned her own business for 25 years before retiring.

I enjoy a variety of activities in Dunedin. I enjoy the fine arts facility and all it has to offer. I enjoy walking with my dogs Charlie and Snickers. Hammock Park is my favorite Park and is 'gem' of the city. I enjoy golf, basketball, baseball and football. My favorite football team is USF. I am a member of the Dunedin VFW, The Dunedin American legion, The Purple heart Association. I am very active with my grand kids at school .

I am rooted in Dunedin for over 30 years . I am committed to keeping Dunedin delightful and a great place to live.