

**Len
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College
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American
and
N.B.A.
All-Star,
Dies**

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Len Chappell, an All-American at Wake Forest who became an N.B.A. All-Star forward with the Knicks in the early 1960s, died on Thursday at a hospice in Oconomowoc, Wis., a suburb of Milwaukee. He was 77.

His wife, Joanne, said he underwent surgery for a brain hemorrhage incurred in a fall at the family home, in Waterford, Wis., in April, then had a stroke and pneumonia.

Chappell, 6 feet 8 inches and 240 pounds, was a prolific scorer and rebounder at Wake Forest while leading the Demon Deacons to two N.C.A.A. championship tournament appearances, including a berth in the Final Four in 1962. He was named the Atlantic Coast Conference's player of the year in 1961 and 1962.

Chappell was selected by the Syracuse Nationals in the first round of the 1962 N.B.A. draft, the fourth player chosen over all.

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