

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**  
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (date of earliest event reported): March 6, 2010

**RAYTHEON COMPANY**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State of Incorporation)

**1-13699**  
(Commission File Number)

**95-1778500**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification Number)

**870 Winter Street, Waltham, Massachusetts 02451**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

**(781) 522-3000**  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 8.01. Other Events.**

On March 8, 2010, Raytheon Company (the “Company”) issued a press release announcing the death on March 6, 2010 of Jon C. Jones, who was a Vice President of the Company and President of its Space and Airborne Systems business unit. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.***(d) Exhibits*

Exhibit 99.1      Press release issued by Raytheon Company dated March 8, 2010

## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

RAYTHEON COMPANY

Date: March 8, 2010

By: /s/ Jay B. Stephens  
Jay B. Stephens  
Senior Vice President, General Counsel  
and Secretary

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	Press release issued by Raytheon Company dated March 8, 2010.

## News release

### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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#### **Raytheon Mourns the Passing of Jon C. Jones**

WALTHAM, Mass., (March 8, 2010) – Raytheon Company (NYSE: RTN) extends its deepest condolences and heartfelt support to the family and friends of Jon C. Jones, a Raytheon Company vice president, and president of the Space and Airborne Systems (SAS) business, who died this past weekend of an apparent heart attack. He was 55.

An admired leader and colleague, Jon Jones joined the Raytheon family in 1977. He steadily progressed to senior management by overseeing the engineering and development of some of the company's premier missiles product lines. Before being appointed president of El Segundo, California-based SAS in November 2005, Mr. Jones served as vice president and deputy general manager of SAS and had also held a similar position with Raytheon Missile Systems in Tucson, Arizona.

“Jon was a valued contributor to Raytheon for 33 years, an outstanding leader within our company, industry and community, and a dear friend,” said Raytheon Chairman and CEO William H. Swanson. “He was a wonderful innovator who guided numerous programs of the utmost importance to our men and women in uniform. Everyone who knew and worked with Jon will miss him.”

Mr. Jones served as executive diversity champion for Raytheon and was a member of the Raytheon Executive Diversity Leadership Team.

He received the Malcolm R. Currie award for innovation in 1996, was named the State of Arizona's Innovator of the Year in 1997, and received Raytheon's corporate Excellence in Technology Award for advancements in infrared guided missiles in 2001. Mr. Jones received a bachelor's degree in engineering from California State University, Northridge, and later attended the University of California at Los Angeles where he received a master's degree in engineering management.

Raytheon Company, with 2009 sales of \$25 billion, is a technology and innovation leader specializing in defense, homeland security and other government markets throughout the world. With a history of innovation spanning 88 years, Raytheon provides state-of-the-art electronics, mission systems integration and other capabilities in the areas of sensing; effects; and command, control communications and intelligence systems; as well as a broad range of mission support services. With headquarters in Waltham, Mass., Raytheon employs 75,000 people worldwide.

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