



Barbara Jett Parkes

September 1, 1949 - March 23, 2017

Barbara Jett Parkes, 67, of Mooresville, North Carolina passed away peacefully on Thursday, March 23, 2017.

She was born on September 1, 1949 in Spotsylvania, Virginia to the late Lorraine Lee Jett, and Inez Mason Jett. She was a loving wife, mother & nana to her family — selfless, thoughtful and caring. She had an amazing presence, inner light and kindness about her. She enjoyed children of all ages and taught preschool most of her life. Her favorite places on earth were the Outer Banks, Sanibel Island, and Italy. She was a truly special person, deeply loved by her family and Remus, her French bulldog. In addition to her father, she is preceded in death by her sister, April Jett Wills.

Barbara is survived by her loving husband, Edward N. Parkes III (Ed); children, Edward N. Parkes IV (Ted) and his wife Lisa of Summit, NJ, Shannon Parkes Harlow and her husband Michael of Charlottesville, VA, and Erin Parkes Sherrill and her husband Justin of Mooresville, NC; sisters, Allison Jett Jacques and her husband Brian of Dayton, TN, Holland Jett Cloe and her husband Weedon of Mechanicsville, VA; brothers, Barry Lee Jett and his wife

Nancy of Beaverdam, VA, and Harrison Gatewood Jett of Spotsylvania, VA;
grandchildren, Bradford Griffith Parkes (Brady), Leonidas Alexander Harlow,
Irelyn Kennedy Harlow and Summer Violet Harlow.

Should you desire, in lieu of flowers, please make a donation to the American
Cancer Society in Barbara's memory.

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home, Mooresville, is serving the Parkes family.
Condolences may be made to the family at www.cavin-cook.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Barbara Jett Parkes*

February 14, 2021 at 11:24 AM



“ *Barbara Jett Parkes*

February 14, 2021 at 11:04 AM



“ *Barbara Jett Parkes*

February 14, 2021 at 11:03 AM



“ *Not only was Barbara my daughter's sweet, sweet teacher but during my first year of teaching preschool she welcomed me with such kind words. A lady with such grace and beauty.*

March 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ To Inez & Family: I have had the privilege and honor of knowing Barbara all of my life as her family home was my second home. Barbara was always the kindest person - she was a beautiful person on the outside but her internal beauty continually out-shined her external beauty - she never had an enemy & loved everyone - she had a smile that radiated a room; she always had something nice to say; even when facing medical diversities for her personally, she still thought of everyone else first. My expressions of deepest sympathy to all of you. I am so blessed to have had the opportunity of knowing Barbara - a rare and special angel. Love, JoAnna (Mastin) Roberson

JoAnna (mastin) Roberson - March 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

FS

“ Met Barbara when her sister and my dearest friend, April Jett Wills passed away in 2008. Barbara was so pleasant and I felt as if I had know her for a lifetime. My thoughts and prayers go out to the Parkes and Jett family. I know she will be truly missed by all who knew her.

Faith Shortal - March 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

CA

“ Harrison, Barry and families; We are very sorry for your loss and want to extend our sincere and deepest sympathy to all.
Conway&Karen Raines Carter(SpotsyHighSch)

Carter,Conway&KarenRaines - March 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM

WM

“ You had a smile that would light up all of Mooresville. I thank you for your life, kind manner, friendship and trust. We are all better people for having know you.

Warren Moretz - March 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM

TA

“ Thank you Ms. Barbara for being such a kind and wonderful teacher for my children. You always offered all of us so much love and joy. You will be missed!

Tara - March 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM

GS

“ Our hearts go out to Barbara's family She was an awesome glowing person who always wanted you to feel loved & welcome To Justin & Erin we feel your loss so deeply -know that your Uncle Jim & Aunt Peewee are with you always -you two are so special & loved so much by us When you are ready we are here for you with open arms Know that your mom left a wonderful legacy & we feel that thru Erin -every time she hugs us & smiles at us Let your moms glow & happiness & beautiful smile live on for always thru you Erin Memories will always be cherished & treasured We were so lucky to have known & loved Barbara Parks

Geri Sherrill - March 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ To Ms. Barbara's family,I am so very sorry for your loss. My son had her when he was at DUMC's preschool back in 2009. She was a wonderful teacher and we felt very privileged to have had our son in her class. She had a special kindness and inner beauty that shone through every day.

Bronwen Martin - March 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Your smile will be sorely missed at the Mooresville Soup Kitchen. The obit is right, "very special person".Chef Jim

Jim Myers - March 26, 2017 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ *Tookie, I am so very sorry for your loss. I didn't know Barbara that well, but when I was around her, she was always so friendly and sweet. You and your family will be in my thoughts and prayers! Love you!*

Mary Beth Passarella - March 26, 2017 at 12:00 AM

BT

“ *Ed and family, please know that Denise and I share in your grief.*

Bill Thunberg - March 26, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ *Erin and family, we are so sorry for your loss. You and your family will be in our thoughts and prayers.*

Jeff & Lew Ann Meadows - March 25, 2017 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. She was a wonderful person.*

Lisa Martin - March 25, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *I will always remember Barbara for her kindness and beautiful smile. My sympathies to your family. Sharon Whitfield , DUMC Preschool*

March 25, 2017 at 12:00 AM