



James Lawrence "Larry" Parker

August 26, 1960 - January 19, 2024

James Lawrence "Larry" Parker, 63, of Chesapeake, VA, formerly of Mooresville, NC, passed away on Friday, January 19, 2024, at Sentara Norfolk General Hospital, Norfolk, VA.

He was born August 26, 1960, in Charlotte, NC, to the late Billy Gene Parker and Margaret Anne Floyd Parker. In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by his son, Walter Nantz Parker, in October 2023.

Larry proudly served his country in the US Navy as a Mustang and retired as an officer in the rank of Lieutenant. After retirement, he continued to serve the Navy as a Subject Matter Expert in Aviation Fuels, assisting in the construction and design of aircraft carriers. Bible scholarship was a very important aspect of his life, where he concentrated on history and theology of the Christian faith. He was a loving husband, father, brother, and friend.

Larry is survived by his wife, Sharon Byers Parker; son, James Lawrence Parker, II and wife, Johanna and their children Magnolia and Leo; daughter-in-law, Lindsey Parker and her daughter Nel; sister, Durand Koch and husband, Tom; brothers, Gene Parker and wife, Maudine; Bobby Parker and wife, Karen; stepmother, Frances Parker.

Visitation for family and friends will be on Saturday, January 27, from 3-4 PM

at Cavin-Cook Funeral Home. Services will be at 4:00 PM, in the Chapel of Cavin-Cook Funeral Home, with Rev. Len Byers officiating. Burial will follow the service in Glenwood Memorial Park with full military honors.

Memorials may be sent to Samaritan's Purse, P. O. Box 3000, Boone, NC 28607, or the Union Missions Ministry, 5100 E. Virginia Blvd, Norfolk, VA 23502.

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home and Crematory, Mooresville, is serving the Parker family.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.cavin-cook.com.

Cemetery Details

Glenwood Memorial Park

273 Glenwood Drive
Mooresville, NC 28115

Previous Events

Receiving Friends

JAN 27. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home
494 E. Plaza Drive
Mooresville, NC 28115

Funeral Service

JAN 27. 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Cavin-Cook Chapel
494 E. Plaza Drive
Mooresville, NC 28115

Graveside Service

JAN 27. 5:00 PM - 5:30 PM (ET)

Glenwood Memorial Park
273 Glenwood Drive
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Tribute Wall

RB

“ I will truly miss Larry. I served with him onboard the America where i watch him grow from enlisted to officer. He use to work for me down in pumphroom 2. He was a hard worker and great friend and shipmate. I loved this man like a brother. He touched so many lives in a positive way and will be greatly missed. My condolences to all his family and friends. I worked for him on the America again where he was my boss right before i retired. Fair winds and following seas. May God Bless him and comfort his family. i feel like a part of me is missing what a wonderful man he was.

Richard Bailey - February 13, 2024 at 11:01 PM

SS

“ I served under Larry aboard USS America in the late 80's. He was our division Leading Petty Officer at the time, but he earned his commission during my tour. Larry was probably one of the best mentor and friend a newbie such as myself could have had. All of us who served with him will miss him. Fair winds and following seas shipmate.

-Sam

Samuel Sola - February 11, 2024 at 04:30 PM

DW

“ Condolences and blessings to the Parker family. Bobby Dean and I were great childhood pals and attended South Elementary just up the street from where we both grew up. Whenever Larry was around I always thought of him as the "coolest dude". Later on Bobby Dean and I were Boy Scouts together and Larry was one of the older guys in the troop. Our scout trips were always a hoot whenever Larry attended. Proud to have known Larry and proud of his service to our country.

David Whitlow - January 27, 2024 at 07:29 PM

LF

“ Love Aunt Mary, Cousins & Families purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of James Lawrence "Larry" Parker.



Love Aunt Mary, Cousins & Families - January 26, 2024 at 06:51 PM

FC

“ Gene and Family, my sincere condolences to all that loved Larry. I am shocked first of all, and then truly saddened to hear this news. He was a good friend my senior year and my ride to school everyday. If I remember correctly, he drove a green Vega?? We used to laugh and wonder if we would make it some days! But laugh is what we did the most, and his laugh is memorable. We saw each other occasionally after he left Mooresville but he was still the same cute, sweet, funny Larry. And to Gene, I won't be at his service in person but know you will be in my thoughts and prayers.
Much love
Boog

Frances Alexander Chavers - January 25, 2024 at 01:40 PM

JW

“ Larry was a great childhood friend. He was so much fun. I remember when my sister took us to Carowinds in the mid 70s. He was barely tall enough to ride the rides. (I posted a picture on MHS reunion page) He was a nut! We hung out all the time: a funny, crazy, goofball who made people laugh until their bellies hurt. He fills most of my junior high school memories. I was disappointed that we were unable to reunite at the last two class reunions. I pray his family can rely on the comfort of sweet, fun- loving memories to help get through this terribly sad time. Sincerely, Jan (Plyler) Wall

Jan Wall - January 25, 2024 at 01:23 PM

KB

“ Sharon and family, I am so very sorry for your loss. What fond memories of Larry from 4th-12th grade and at our 40th reunion. So many laughs and mischief with this guy. He always provided the comic relief in school. I'll miss, but remember his heartfelt messages over the years. Thank you for sharing Larry with us. He is forever a Blue Devil and a member of the MHS class of 78. Sending prayers and love.

Kim Brown - January 25, 2024 at 10:51 AM

LW

“ Dear Durand,
We are so sorry for your loss. Larry is in Heaven with Amanda now. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. We pray peace over you and your family.
Lynn and Jim

Lynn Watson - January 25, 2024 at 10:31 AM