



Allen B. Parker

June 8, 1935 - January 27, 2015

Al Parker

Allen B. Parker, 79, passed away peacefully surrounded by his family and close friends on Tuesday, January 27, 2015 after a brief and valiant battle with non-Hodgkins lymphoma. He was born on June 8, 1935 in Corcoran, California to Wayne B. and Vera Allen Parker. He married the love of his life and high school sweetheart, Marilyn Alt, on June 14, 1953 in Sacramento California. They were later sealed for time and all eternity in the Los Angeles California Temple on October 31, 1959.

Al's life was one of cheerful and willing service. He had a distinguished career as a California Highway Patrolman for 30 years. He was a traffic officer for most of that time, helping others to stay safe and be comforted in times of trouble. The last 11 years of his career, he worked as protective service for the Lieutenant Governor of California. He traveled extensively with Lieutenant Governor Leo T. McCarthy to several countries and associated with other security officers from many different agencies, including the FBI, CIA, and Secret Service. He helped to protect state and national officials as well as foreign dignitaries. In each of his assignments, he showed true integrity paired with his own sense of humor to make the jobs enjoyable for himself and those with whom he served. He has remained active as a retired patrolman, supporting his fellow officers. Al was an active member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. He served in many capacities, among them seminary teacher, bishop's counselor, bishop, member of the stake presidency, and high councilor. He magnified each calling that came to him and touched innumerable lives for the better. His experience in security gave him the opportunity to help LDS church authorities when visiting his home area in Sacramento. Among other assignments, he was privileged to assist President Hinckley when selecting a site for and when dedicating the Sacramento Temple. Most recently, Al found much joy in serving with his sweetheart as an ordinance worker in the Provo Temple. His cheerful disposition and positive nature were infectious in his work, church service, and home life. Al's real joy has always been his family. His wife is truly his eternal companion, the very light of his life and the wind beneath his wings. He loves and cherishes his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. In addition to his eternal family that is sealed

together, Al considered many of his friends to be “family by love.” He is especially loved for his gentle teasing of the children and his good-natured ribbing of the teenagers.

Al is survived by his wife, Marilyn; three children - Wayne (Julie) of Provo, Cheryl Winfree of Springville, and Dorothy “Dodie” Parker of Payson; 11 grandchildren, and 9 great-grandchildren (with one on the way); his sisters, Patricia Green and Wynette Gardner, 5 nephews, and 5 nieces.

Al was preceded in death by his parents, and his brother, Roy Walter Parker. No doubt they have had a joyous reunion.

A viewing will be held on Monday, February 2 from 6 to 8 pm, at the Payson 11th Ward Chapel at 902 West 400 North Payson, Utah. Funeral services will be held at the same location on Tuesday, February 3 with a viewing from 9:30 to 10:30 am and service to begin at 11:00 am.

Al’s family would like to express their sincere gratitude to the staff at Utah Valley Regional Medical Center for their compassionate and respectful care of Al and his family during his last days on this earth. Your service to us was remarkable and made the most difficult days easier to bear.

Cemetery

Payson Cemetery

805 E 400 N

Payson, UT,

Events

FEB **Viewing** 06:00PM - 08:00PM

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Payson LDS 11th Ward
900 W 400 N, Payson, UT, US

FEB **Viewing** 09:30AM - 10:30AM

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Payson LDS 11th Ward
900 W 400 N, Payson, UT, US

FEB **Funeral Service** 11:00AM - 12:30PM

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Payson LDS 11th Ward
900 W 400 N, Payson, UT, US

Comments



“ The greatest compliment I can give a man is to say "I want my sons to be just like him." Only Al and 2 or 3 other men that I have known fit that statement. There simply are precious few men like Al -- compassionate almost to a fault; friendly to all; a man who spent his life making Earth a better place to live for everyone he met. We have been blessed to have been with him for many years; Heaven is now blessed to receive him.

Ken - February 08, 2015 at 06:41 PM



“ I am so sorry for your loss. Mrs. Marilyn, may you find some strength in Isaiah 33:24 saying: And no resident will say: "I am sick". Yes, soon you will no longer worry or pain from losing a loved one to sickness for it will be gone forever, never to return. Please find some comfort in this fact, in your days to come.

mary miller - February 03, 2015 at 09:40 PM



“ When at my mother's funeral, he counseled me on how to consecrated and dedicated the grave. My condolences to you and yours.

John Burnside - February 01, 2015 at 10:05 PM



“ Its a beautiful part of the grave side service! Wayne did an amazing job!

Dorothy Parker - February 04, 2015 at 04:35 PM



“ In honor of our favorite neighbor "Grandpa", Al's legacy of love and genuine kindness will always be fondly remembered to all in our family. What a wonderful example he was to our young and growing clan of one who loves God and his neighbors. We love you dear Parkers!

The Sorensons

THE SORENSONS - February 01, 2015 at 04:04 PM



“ Our hearts go out to you Marilyn, and your family. Al was a wonderful man, a truly exceptional example of the gospel in practice. We loved your presence and example very much when you both lived in the La Sierra Ward. We appreciated Al's sense of humor, and the love you had for each other was truly evident on your faces each Sunday. Take good care, and walk slowly during this difficult time in your journey.

Love - Shelly and John Van Driel

Shelly Van Driel - February 01, 2015 at 01:26 PM



“ What a wonderful family and neighbors the Parkers have been to our children and grandchildren who live right across the street from them (Matt and Cathy Nelson). We only shared brief moments of friendly conversation with them, but heard of many ways that they have been loving and thoughtful to our family---which is deeply appreciated. We know Bro. Parker's influence will continue to be felt by those who were closest to him---as he continues to love and care about you from the other side of the veil. We pray you will be comforted and find joy in many happy memories. With love and sympathy, Sharon and Don Nelson

Sharon Nelson - February 01, 2015 at 09:14 AM



“ Thank you so very much for your kind words!! We truly do love your kids and grandchildren. Throughout the years, they have brought such joy and happiness to our family. We love them so much!

Dodie Parker - February 04, 2015 at 04:39 PM



“ When I think of my growing up years in the La Sierra ward, I always think of Brother Parker's love for me and the other young people in the ward. He was genuine, and so much fun too. He really had an impact on me and was such a great example of love and service in the church. I'm grateful to have known him and learned from him.
Cindy Light Alfonso

cindy light alfonso - February 01, 2015 at 08:39 AM



“ RL Parker lit a candle in memory of Allen B. Parker



RL Parker - February 01, 2015 at 07:55 AM



“ My Uncle Al was a tremendously noble, humble man. I am so thankful to be called his niece and for receiving his unconditional love and adoration. May our Parker family be blessed with comfort and peace through this time of sadness. All who knew him loved him very much!

I LOVE YOU...R.I.P. Uncle xxx

RL Parker - February 01, 2015 at 08:02 AM



“ Oh Rhonda, we missed you and your spirit! I am so glad that you had some time with he and Mom in September at Jeff's wedding. Its crazy to realize that when he saw you last was a short 3.5 months ago, he was alive and well. We love you!!

Dodie Parker - February 06, 2015 at 01:19 PM



“ Brother Parker You made each of us feel the love of our Savior more intently with the friend and example you have been. Thanks to you now, especially, Brother Parker (and family).

Mary Ann Pickering - February 01, 2015 at 02:00 AM



“ Mary Ann, you are such a beautiful spirit yourself. We are so thankful for the warmth and love you have always shared with us.

Dodie Parker - February 06, 2015 at 01:20 PM



“ Al Parker--a kind and thoughtful man. He had the ability to make friends wherever he we. We are happy to be counted as friends of his, Marilyn's and their family.

Mathis - January 31, 2015 at 04:53 PM



“ We cant express in words the gratitude we feel for your family coming all of the way to pay tribute to our Dad/Husband/Grandpa, etc. It meant so very much! Thank you!

Dodie Parker - February 06, 2015 at 01:23 PM



“ Our family is sad to hear of your father's passing, Cheryl. He was a wonderful home teacher. I wish I had realized we live so close. I'm in Orem, and my parents live a block from me. Please give your mother our best. My parents wish they could attend, but their health makes it hard for them to spend much time away from home. We are grateful to have known your dad in Sacramento, and pray your mother feels the comfort of her Savior. God bless the Parker family!

Angela Petersen Cottrell

Angela Petersen Cottrell - January 31, 2015 at 03:58 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers go out to the family and loved ones of this kind man. So many memories of Bishop Parker and his dear family that I grow up with. Always and forever in our hearts.. Much love to the Parker family.



Carolyn Stout - January 31, 2015 at 03:08 PM



“ Although we keep up on facebook, it is so nice to get such a wonderful compliment about Dad. Thank you so much for sharing it!!

Dodie Parker - February 06, 2015 at 01:24 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Temple Dedication



Serenity Funeral Home - January 30, 2015 at 05:46 PM



“ Thank you, Larry and all of those who made our trial a little bit lighter! We appreciate all you have done!!

Dodie Parker - February 06, 2015 at 01:26 PM



“ This appears to have been taken in front of the Sacramento Temple during its dedication in September 3, 2006. (See the freshly mortared joints around the cornerstone.) I was there with him. - Phil Lammi, CHP, retired.

Phil Lammi - April 24, 2015 at 09:18 PM