



Curtis D Parker

August 11, 1954 - March 17, 2020

Curtis D. Parker, a well-known beloved associate of Parker Ace Hardware and long-time resident of Sault Sainte Marie, MI passed unexpectedly with his wife and family at his side on March 17, 2020 at the age of 65.

Curt was born August 11, 1954 in Big Rapids, Michigan and moved to Sault Sainte Marie Michigan his Senior year of high school when his father began the family business of Parker Hardware. He resided in Marquette MI as a steel worker then worked on a maritime boat out of Traverse City, Michigan. He began working at the hardware store in 1976 where he was part of the management team. Curt enjoyed golf with his golf buddies, the Legends of the Fairway (Timmy, Ski, Lee and Ralphie) every Monday for the past 40 years. He also loved bowling and participating in many bowling tournaments. His infectious smile and laughter that we all loved will be greatly missed by many.

Curt is survived by his wife, Teresa "Lynn" Parker (née Beard); his father-in-law and mother -in-law, Gary M. (Kathy) Beard, mother-in-law Patricia Russell; his blended family of five sons; son and daughter-in-law, Matthew (Abbie) Parker; step-sons; Ryan Gerdes, Joshua Gerdes, Jeffrey Beard and Patrick Beard; his five brothers, Gary and (Donna) Parker, Ross and (Laurie) Parker, Scott and (Bernie) Parker, Cory and (Dawn) Parker, Todd and (Valerie) Parker; his grandchildren, DeShawn, Lillian "Lily", Isabella "Bella", Story, Raigen, Amelia, IveyLynn, Colton, Emmalynn, Nathan, and Everlee; many nieces and

nephews; and his many 1972 Big Rapids high school classmates whom he loved dearly. He is preceded in death by his father Warren, his mother Beverley, his sister Cheryl, and his grandparents.

Memorial Gathering and Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, July 25, 2020 from 10:00am until 12:00pm at Clark Funeral Cremation Burial Services. The memorial service will be Saturday, July 25, 2020 at 12:30pm at Clark Funeral Cremation Burial Services with Father Michael Chenier officiating and Deacon Bill Piche assisting.

Celebration of Life will begin at 3pm at Tanglewood Golf Course. All are welcome to come share a memory with Curt's Family.

Final resting place will be Oaklawn Chapel Gardens.

Contributions in memory of Curt may be made to the American Heart Association [https://www2.heart.org/site/SPageNavigator/donatenow_legacy.html&s_src=20U2W1EEMM&sub_src=main_nav_memorial_link](https://www2.heart.org/site/SPageNavigator/donatenow_legacy.html?s_src=20U2W1EEMM&sub_src=main_nav_memorial_link).

Previous Events

Memorial Gathering

JUL **25.** 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Curtis D Parker*

October 05, 2023 at 09:54 AM



“ *Curtis D Parker*

October 02, 2023 at 10:14 PM



“ *Curtis D Parker*

September 01, 2022 at 07:49 PM



“ *To the Parker families on behalf of the Holt families...
Our memories of the Parkers go back to the early 70's when Warren and Bev purchased the Holt home on Bingham Avenue. As we only moved across the street and our moms were in the rosary group together as well as attending the same church we saw alot of the Parker family. We also both came from a large family so many of the Holts had a Parker best friend. Brother Tom and Todd were always close..*

It is with sadness that we extend our condolences and pray that as you remember Curt you find it brings a smile. We'll be praying for you as you grieve.

Jane Holt Kennedy on behalf of the Holt family

Jane M Kennedy - July 22, 2020 at 02:02 PM

PB

“ My sincere condolences to your family. I didn't know Curt personally but always enjoyed interactions with him when he would help me at the hardware. I know the Parker family legacy he was a part of and I pray for God's peace and comfort at your time of loss.

Phil Becker - April 01, 2020 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ We are so sorry to hear about Curt. He was always upbeat and very helpful when we were in the store. Curt will be missed by many in our community. Thoughts and prayers to his family.

Dave and Adrienne Beckham - March 25, 2020 at 12:00 AM

SG

“ Curt was one of my favorite “Parker Boy” cousins.... He was 15 plus years our senior (brother and myself). However, the love shown through when his Aunt Judy Nantell/Giammona would bring us to Michigan during the 1980 summers to visit family in the “UP”. Curt would always find time to take us kids to have fun at a fair or other event. He would make sure we were having a good time and we did!!! My interpretation, Aunt Judy and Curt had a great relationship before she moved west and started a family. Curt was grateful for his Aunt Judy, and paid it forward.... As years have come and gone, we don't stay in touch as often as we should, but we never forget our Michigander family. Curt, you will truly be missed. Many prayers and positive thoughts are with you!

Scott Giammona - March 24, 2020 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ We are so sad to here of Curts passing. Sending all our love and prayers at this difficult time. 🙏❤️

Cindy Baldwin - March 22, 2020 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. Curt was as much friend as "Ace Helper" when in need of anything. Never complaining, always helping. I will always miss him. Larry

Lawrence Gilbert - March 22, 2020 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ We are so sorry for your families loss. Curt will be sorely missed in this community. His jovial nature whenever encountered would brighten anyone's day. May the family find peace. GOD bless, RIP

Marv & Charlene DeWitt - March 20, 2020 at 12:00 AM

GB

“ Curt will be missed by all of us who knew him. He had a ready smile and a persona that made you feel at ease. We toast your life with a song and a dance for we will meet again on the other side of The Rainbow Bridge. Love, Dad and Momma Kat

GARY M BEARD OR KATHERINE J. BEARD - March 20, 2020 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ Curt was a cool dude that fit in as a Blue Devil quickly in his Senior year, and coming from another town. I always stopped in to see him when I was in the Soo. May he rest in Peace. We'll miss you Curt.

Rick Bertram - March 20, 2020 at 12:00 AM

BJ

“ We'll miss seeing Curt in the store. He was so helpful and always had a smile. Our condolences to his family. Ben and Sharon Jones

Ben and Sharon Jones - March 20, 2020 at 12:00 AM

LK

“ I think most of Curt’s Class of ‘72 classmates will smile when they think of him. Curt was one of those guys that was just fun to know. To his family, please accept my condolences

Loretta (Mohr) Kramer - March 19, 2020 at 12:00 AM

RJ

“ Curt always made me laugh and was a great friend. So sorry to hear the news of his passing.

Rich James - March 19, 2020 at 12:00 AM

TC

“ Curt was a long time member and President of the USBC bowling organisation. He had many friends and associations at the Don Dee bowling house. I was fortunate to call him a friend. He introduced Lisa (Robbins) and I, and now we are married. I cannot/have not, thanked him enough for this. You will be missed by many my friend.

Tony Clark - March 19, 2020 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ My condolences to the whole family, I will miss discussing politics with Curt on my stops at the store...RIP Curt.

Kevin Mayer - March 19, 2020 at 12:00 AM