



Gerald "Buddy" Parkinson

May 21, 1958 - April 18, 2023

Gerald "Buddy" Parkinson Jr., 64, of St. Philip, Indiana passed away Tuesday, April 18, 2023 at the Linda White Hospice House surrounded by his family.

Buddy was proud of his career as a Union Iron Worker for Local 103. He was a lifetime member of St. Philip Catholic Church and a member of St. Philip's Men's Club, St. Philip's Conservation Club, Mater Dei Men's Club, and Knights of Columbus. He coached grade school wrestling for St. Philip School in the Mater Dei Feeder Wrestling program for over 30 years. Buddy also served as an elected member of the Posey County Council as a proud Democrat. He was an avid horse racing enthusiast and would be able to name the Kentucky Derby winner of any given year.

Buddy was devoted to his family and his grandchildren were the light of his life. He loved attending all of their activities, taking them fishing, and spoiling them rotten.

Surviving Buddy are his wife of nearly 39 years, Paula (Wannemuehler) Parkinson, and his children Megan Altstadt (Chip), Becky Raben (Michael), Jerry Parkinson III (Andrea), Ashley Parkinson (Landon Baker) and grandchildren, David Altstadt, Caroline Altstadt, Charlotte Altstadt, Nora Raben, Jacquelyn Raben, Anna Raben, Kate Raben, Bridger Parkinson, Lois "Lola" Baker. Also surviving are his mother, Carole Parkinson, and his siblings

Cindi Parkinson Lawson, Dan Parkinson (Paula), Jeff Parkinson (Karen), his mother-in-law and father-in-law Bonnie and Jim Wannemuehler, his in-laws, many nieces, and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, Gerald "Jerry" Parkinson Sr.

There will be a Mass of Christian Burial held at 10:00 AM on Friday, April 21, 2023 at St. Philip Catholic Church, Rev. Ryan Hilderbrand officiating. Burial will follow in St. Philip Church Cemetery. Immediately following the funeral services at St. Philip Church, family and friends are invited to attend a gathering to celebrate Buddy's life at the St. Philip Conservation Club, 3320 Conservation Drive, Evansville, IN 47712.

Friends may visit with the family from 3:00 until 7:00 PM on Thursday at Pierre Funeral Home, 2601 W. Franklin Street and from 9:00 AM until service time on Friday at St. Philip Church, 3500 St. Philip Road, S, Mt. Vernon, IN 47620.

The family would like to thank his caregiver, Karen, Deaconess Palliative Care, Megan from Deaconess Hospice at Home, staff of the Linda White Hospice House, and all of the friends and family who supported Buddy and his family through his journey.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to the Mater Dei Football and/or Mater Dei Wrestling, c/o Mater Dei High School, 1300 Harmony Way, Evansville, IN 47720 or to the University of Evansville Acercise program where Buddy attended for several semesters.

Condolences may be made online at www.pierrefuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

St. Philip Church Cemetery

3500 S. St. Philip Road
Mt. Vernon, IN

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **20**. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Pierre Funeral Home
2601 West Franklin Street
Evansville, IN 47712
(812) 423-6471
info@pierrefuneralhome.com
<https://www.pierrefuneralhome.com>

Visitation

APR **21**. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Philip Catholic Church
3500 S. St. Philip Road
Mt. Vernon, IN

Mass of Christian Burial

APR **21**. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Philip Catholic Church
3500 S. St. Philip Road
Mt. Vernon, IN

Celebration of Life

APR **21**. 12:00 PM (CT)

St. Philip Conservation Club
Conservation Club Road
Evansville, IN

Tribute Wall



“ *Pierre Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Gerald "Buddy" Parkinson*



Pierre Funeral Home - April 19, 2023 at 06:33 PM

MP

Buddy is love dearly he had a wonderful life he has a wonderful family he will be missed dearly and he was very happy he had a fulfilled life my love and prayers always Buddy love Missy

Melissa Nordby "Charlene Parkinson" - April 20, 2023 at 03:11 AM

TS

“ *Always a great person!!*

Tom Seng - May 03, 2023 at 09:52 AM

MP

“ A few Pictures from The Parkinson's Family Reunion back in 1999.. Buddy and Kitty " showing how their Elbows Match" A Parkinson Trait....Love Missy



Melissa Nordby "Charlene Parkinson" - April 22, 2023 at 09:53 AM

LD

“ You could never replace a “Buddy Parkinson “.😭. We know he’s in a better place, we know he has a better mind—but it still hurts soo much. His laughter will ring on & May he be reminiscing with my brother David. ❤️❤️❤️

Linda Denstorff - April 20, 2023 at 09:31 PM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gerald "Buddy" Parkinson.



April 20, 2023 at 02:24 PM

MT

“ I will never forget the memories from Buds tutelage as St. Phillips wrestling coach! He was a great coach, mentor, friend and person. I am very thankful for the opportunity to have met and known Buddy.

Mark Toelle and Family

Mark Toelle - April 20, 2023 at 09:15 AM



“ Delightful Dieffenbachia was purchased for the family of Gerald "Buddy" Parkinson.



April 19, 2023 at 10:33 PM

SS

“ Buddy and shared many good memories working at plant in early 1980's. Had chance to catch up at Riding Hope years later. He was a great guy. Will be missed by many.

Stephan Searcy

Steve Searcy - April 19, 2023 at 09:19 PM



“ 188 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



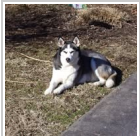
Pierre Funeral Home - April 19, 2023 at 06:18 PM

KS

“ *Kathy and Joe Schenk purchased the Amazing Grace 44" Sonnet for the family of Gerald "Buddy" Parkinson.*



Kathy and Joe Schenk - April 19, 2023 at 03:24 PM



“ *Meagan, Chip, David, Caroline, and Charlotte- we send SYMPATHY, LOVE, AND BEAUTIFUL MEMORIES. The Ayers- Debbie, Steve, and Misha.*

Debbie Galey Ayers - April 19, 2023 at 11:54 AM

ER

“ *So very sorry for your loss. My condolences to you, Paula, and your entire family. Liz Raymond*

Elizabeth Raymond - April 19, 2023 at 11:53 AM

BD

“ I loved talking to Bud! Prayers to Paula and the family.



Bob Deig - April 19, 2023 at 10:02 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Gerald "Buddy" Parkinson.



April 19, 2023 at 08:06 AM

MP

“ My love and prayers alwaysBuddy The many memories back in the '70s when we were all young and kids again, when Great Uncle Jerry had finished the game room... and we can all go in there and play games it seems like so so many years ago it seems like I was just a kid..... I'm 57 years old now and hopefully you can give our family a hug for me.... we just lost Kim in July 8th I'm sure the whole family was there with open arms... My love and prayers always Buddy love you ,Missy



Melissa Nordby "Charlene Parkinson" - April 19, 2023 at 12:22 AM

JD

“ Dan and I are so sorry for the loss of Jerry. He will be truly missed. He struggled for to long. Heaved has gained a new angel. 🙏 Fly high Buddy. You gave it your all. ❤️❤️ One more loss from the MD class of 76❤️💛

Julie and Dan Devillez - April 18, 2023 at 10:44 PM

JT

Prayers for his family. 🙏 Buddy, please watch over us all. '76 ❤️💛

Janet L Trautvetter - April 19, 2023 at 01:05 AM