



W.M. "Pete" Parker

February 16, 1938 - September 8, 2024

W.M. "Pete" Parker, age 86, of Weaverville, NC, passed away peacefully at The Greens at Weaverville nursing facility. Pete, a cherished husband, father, grandfather, and friend, was born in Aulander, NC, and lived a life full of love, laughter, and unwavering devotion to his family and passions.

Pete is survived by his beloved spouse, Elaine Parker. He is also survived by his children, Bill Parker (Sandy) of Swannanoa and Karen Parker Mathews of Weaverville, as well as his grandchildren, Mackenzie Parker of Atlanta, Chelsea Parker Weibler (Elliott) of Asheville, and Blake Mathews of Weaverville. He is further survived by his brother, Phil Parker (Nancy) of Clayton, NC, his sister, Judy Alford (Guy) of Bath, NC, and numerous nieces and nephews who will miss him dearly.

Preceding Pete in death are his parents, three sisters, and two brothers.

Pete was a devoted member of the Country Club of Asheville and Central United Methodist Church, where he found community and connection. He had a deep love for golf, enjoyed playing cards with friends, and took immense joy in watching his children and grandchildren excel in their sports. A passionate Carolina fan, Pete's enthusiasm for his team was matched only by his love for his family.

A service to celebrate Pete's life will be held at Central United Methodist Church, 27 Church St, Asheville, NC 28801, on Thursday, September 12 at 2 pm. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made in Pete's honor to Central United Methodist Church, Asheville, NC (<https://centralumc.org/>), and Compassionate Care Western Carolina, Burnsville, NC (<https://compassionatecarewnc.org/>).

Pete will be remembered for his warm spirit, his generous heart, and the profound impact he had on everyone he met. He will be deeply missed but fondly remembered by all who knew and loved him.

Cemetery Details

Central United Methodist Church Memorial Gardens

27 Church Street
Asheville, NC 28801

Previous Events

Memorial Service

SEP 12. 2:00 PM (ET)

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27 Church Street
Asheville, NC 28801

Tribute Wall

DH

“Pete and his family represent so many great memories of friendship and family "get-togethers" from early childhood all the way up to adulthood.

Kindness, concern for others and positivity are all words that I would use to describe Pete. Sending my condolences and best wishes to Elaine, Bill, and Karen.

Peace to all-thanks for the memories!

David Hawkins

David Hawkins - September 16, 2024 at 08:16 PM

BW

“Pete and I along with others at CCA really enjoyed playing in our golf gangs some many years ago, and I cherish the memories from those many rounds together, especially my time with Pete. May God bless him.

Bill Wolcott

Bill Wolcott - September 12, 2024 at 02:06 PM



“ *Uncle Pete was who I always thought of when I would sit on ANY couch at JC's & Mary Kay's, and that's because it was his "home" as he was known to have lived on their couch when he came to Asheville -- I think he was in college, but not sure.*

It's been many years since I have seen or had contact with everybody, but you are fondly remembered and often.

Thank you for always being kind and loving. Rest now, Uncle Pete. The hard part is over.

Carol (Frost-Parker) Fielder

Carol Frost Parker Fielder - September 11, 2024 at 08:34 PM

RY

“ *Uncle Pete was the best. He was quiet and strong in his love and support. He and Elaine will always be in my heart. My time with them in Asheville in my childhood always gave me great happiness and joy.*

Bobby Young

Robert Young - September 10, 2024 at 12:28 PM

LI

“ *Lindawhite purchased the Simply Elegant Spathi phyllum for the family of W.M. "Pete" Parker.*



Lindawhite - September 10, 2024 at 12:27 PM

LI

“ Lindawhite planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of W.M. "Pete" Parker.

Lindawhite - September 10, 2024 at 12:27 PM

JC

“ Elaine, I'm thinking of you and Karen and Bill and families with love and sympathy.
Joy (Bradfield) Cowan

Joy (Bradfield) Cowan - September 10, 2024 at 11:13 AM

PD

“ Elaine & Bill, I am so sorry for your loss. I'll be thinking of you as you deal with this difficult time. Peg Dixon



Peg Dixon - September 09, 2024 at 08:22 PM

JD

“ Janet David lit a candle in memory of W.M. "Pete" Parker



Janet David - September 09, 2024 at 04:50 PM

LW

Pete was a kind, gentile friend to my parents for many years! We all loved visiting the Parker's and my son especially loved Elaine's banana bread. My dad loved having a glass of wine, playing golf and traveling to the beach with the Parker's. They were great friends for a lifetime! He will be missed by my entire family! I hope my dad and Pete can share more good times in heaven!

lisa williamson - September 09, 2024 at 06:40 PM

BC

“ Brock Mountain Man Company purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of W.M. "Pete" Parker.



Brock Mountain Man Company - September 09, 2024 at 04:47 PM

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