



## Minor "Buddy" Parker

August 10, 1920 - June 17, 2012

Graveside services for Minor "Buddy" Allen Parker, 91, of Rosenberg, will be held at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, June 21, 2012 at Greenlawn Memorial Park in Rosenberg.

The family will receive friends from 9:00 a. m. until service time at Davis-Greenlawn Funeral Chapel in Rosenberg.

Buddy was born August 10, 1920 in Kernes to Simon and Inez Parker. He passed away June 17, 2012 in Needville.

Buddy went to school in Corpus Christi until high School when asked to go to McAllen and play football. While living in McAllen he met his wife, Marian Jones, whom he married in April of 1940.

He joined the United States Navy on April 14, 1943 and served in WWII until December 6, 1945 when he was honorably discharged. He was a 33° member, the highest ranking, and a 50 year member of the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry. He is also a lifetime member of the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, where he served as a committeeman of the Parade Committee.

Minor and Marian adopted two children. David was adopted in McAllen in December 1947. Laura was adopted in Houston in September 1959.

Minor lost Marian in August 1994, after 50 years of marriage. He then went to Corpus Christi to visit some old friends. While in Corpus, he met up with his high school sweetheart, Ruth Taylor. After several trips back and forth to Corpus to visit, they decided to get married and move to Rosenberg. They got married in May 1995 and were together until she passed away in December 2008.

Minor had several jobs in his life including owning and operating a shrimp boat; a salesman for Pearl Brewery; building, owning and managing Parker Motel in Clute; owning and operating an auto supply store in Beeville; being a Master Electrician and working several places along with having his own business; building, owning and managing a 12 unit apartment complex in Houston; bought, fixed up and sold houses; built and sold new houses in Rosenberg; dabbling in real estate; built, owned and managed 2 duplex units in Houston; worked for the City of Houston as a Master Electrical Inspector; worked part-time for Missouri City and Needville as an electrical inspector.

Over the years, Minor and his family lived in McAllen, Clute, San Antonio, Beeville, Houston, Rosenberg, Corpus Christi and Needville, Texas.

His hobbies and interests included fishing, yard work, wood working, working crossword puzzles and fixing just about anything or giving it a good try.

Minor is preceded in death by his first wife, Marian; his second wife, Ruth; son, David, and his parents, Simon and Inez Parker.

He is survived by his daughter, Laura Finner; daughter-in-law, Cheri Parker; son-in-law, Edgar Finner; grandchildren, Kyle Parker and Parker Finner; step children, Fulton and Nancy Taylor, Frances and Bob Meitzen and Ava and Dave Doyle.

The family would like to thank Reliable Oaks, Elizabeth Williams and the entire staff for taking care of Minor for the last 2 years.

# Tribute Wall

AD

“ So sorry to hear of Minor's passing. He was a very large part of our lives these last few years and I'm thankful he became part our family, too. He certainly was able to tell a great story and he was always looking for the next great adventure in his life. Take care, Laura, Parker, Edgar, Cheri & Kyle; it's a little tough right now but eventually it gets easier. The memories will always be there.

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**Ava Doyle** - June 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ My condolences to you all. Mr. Parker will be sorely missed, especially at family/friends gatherings where he's always been a hit, mostly with the ladies! We will all miss his positivity and sunny personality but will keep him in our memories. Try to take consolation in the fact that he is where he needs to be and he'll be waiting for the rest of us.

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**Susie Rutter Zaccaria** - June 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ I want to take this time to thank you for letting me part of your family. Your mom and dad did so much for me growing up. She made sure my hair was fixed for picture day and they made sure I had presents to open on christmas. I have so many great childhood memories because of you and your parents. You are my sister and I am so thankful for what yall did for me. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. I love yall and I am always a phone call away.

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**Diane Bowen** - June 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ *With love*

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**Ian Meitzen** - June 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ *My condolences to all the of the Parker Family.*

*Minor was a very, very, good man and I was blessed to know him. He was a great husband to Ruth, my mother-in-law, and I held both of them in the highest esteem.*

*Here is to you Minor; we went salmom fishing on Lake Winnepesaukee here in New Hampshire, you caught a nice one just as we were pulling anchor for the day!*

*God rest your soul, and fish on, in peace my friend.*

*Dave Doyle*

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**Dave Doyle** - June 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ *My deepest sympathy to the family for the loss of your dearly beloved one. May your hearts find comfort in knowing that Jehovah God and his son Jesus Christ loves us –Romans chapter 5 verse 8, Psalms chapter 83 verse 18. Jesus Christ promised one day soon, we will be reunited with our dear loved ones again here on earth and the disease of aging will be reversed –Job chapter 33 verse 25; John chapter 5 verses 28, 29; Psalms chapter 37 verse 29.*

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**Doris** - June 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM