



Charles Crandall "Buddy" Parker

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Charles Crandall "Buddy" Parker, 69, of Culpeper died Friday, May 18, 2018 at Manor of Natural Bridge. He was born January 30, 1949 in Culpeper to the late William L. Parker and Alma Fletcher Parker Close.

Buddy was a veteran of the US Army serving during Vietnam. He started playing music at 10 years old and played for 40 years. The last 25 years he played with his own band, the "Buddy Parker Band". He also cut hair on the side for 20 years in Hampton, VA.

He is survived by his daughter, Carlisle Rose Davidhizar and her husband, Ethan of Newport News, VA; one brother, Philip Parker and his wife, Kimberly of Culpeper; two nephews, Trevor B. and Dawson E. Parker; one niece, Chloe R. Parker, all of Culpeper; and one aunt, Shirley Smoot of Stafford.

The family will receive friends on Wednesday, May 23, 2018 from 6 to 8 p.m. at Found and Sons Funeral Chapel, 850 Sperryville Pike, Culpeper, VA.

A funeral service will be held on Thursday, May 24, 2018 at 11 a.m. at Found and Sons Funeral Chapel with Pastor Brad Hales officiating.

Interment will follow in Culpeper National Cemetery with military honors provided by Culpeper VFW Post 2524.

Memorial contributions may be made in his name to Hope Heals, 30 John Marshall St., Warrenton, VA 20186 &/or Services to Abused Families, Inc. (SAFE), www.safejourneys.org

Found and Sons Funeral Chapel of Culpeper is serving the family.



Events

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Visitation

 **Wednesday**, May 23, 2018


 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM ET

 **Found and Sons Funeral Chapels & Cremation Service**

850 Sperryville Pike, Culpeper VA 22701



Service

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 11:00 AM ET

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Cemetery Details

 **Culpeper National Cemetery (New)**

501 East Chandler Street, Culpeper VA 22701





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HF

Hannah Falchuk posted:

I apologize for being so late in sharing a message for Buddy. Buddy was one of the most caring and humble people I have ever known. I met him at the Manor, when I was a student volunteer visiting the facility with Washington and Lee University's Campus Kitchen program. All of the students who visited the Manor came to know and love Buddy, and he seemed to be genuinely interested in and impressed by each of us. Buddy would ask questions, shake hands, and offer prayers to all. He often said that his goal for each day was just to be humble and kind, and he gave new meaning to the word resilience. Buddy passed away just a week before my graduation, and a week before I had planned to say goodbye. I hope that his family and friends still fondly carry the memory of his amazing strength and spirit. May you rest in peace, Buddy.

October 30 at 5:14 AM

PH

Pat Harris posted:

So sorry to hear of Buddy's passing. Even though I had not seen him years, I have many fond memories of our high school years. Thoughts and prayers to the family. Pat (Lawrence) Harris

May 26 at 10:57 AM

JF

Julene Fisher posted:

When I move to Tidewater in 1980 I walked into a hair salon in the mall...and met Buddy. He changed my life from that moment on. He gave from an open heart--he was so generous with his time and talents and love. HE really LOOKED at whoever he was talking to and you could feel his connection to those around him. He had the soul of an artist. We are all lucky and blessed to have known him. He is always in our hearts. Condolence to his family and all who loved him.

May 26 at 5:13 AM

BB

Billy Brockman shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

I played in a band with Buddy in 1966. We were called the Clique and Buddy played bass. We had a lot of fun, but then I lost touch with him after the band broke up. Years later, he walked into my guitar and amp shop, Charlottesville Music and though I hadn't seen him in 40+ years, I recognized him immediately. We had fun catching up, but that was the last time I saw him. He was a good guy with a big personality. RIP, Buddy.



May 23 at 11:17 AM



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Philip Parker posted:

Thank you all for your kind words and remeberances of my brother Buddy.We will miss him but will see him again some day.Philip and Kim Parker and family

May 23 at 9:47 AM



Gary Stultz posted:

I'll never forget the first time I met Buddy. I was living with William Curling and it was Sunday night and the doorbell rang. I answered the door and standing there was Jack Smith and this big guy in a long trench coat (it was raining). Buddy introduced himself and immediately started talking about starting a band and said Jack told him that I should be the bass player. I did'nt know what to think cos his presence was so overwhelming but I knew I had to get to know this guy. We just hit it off from the get go. I had no idea that he would forever influence my life and my music like he did. I know I'm not the only one who feels this way and I grateful of the love and time we had together. Gary Stultz

May 22 at 8:49 PM



Anonymous sent a Basket of Memories to the Parker family.



May 22 at 7:13 PM



Marie Valencourt posted:

My deepest sympathy to Toni and Carlisle. I was one of Buddy's biggest fans, his talent was amazing. I know he's in Glory now, his life touched many. Marie Valencourt

May 22 at 5:30 PM



Kelly Freeman May 24 at 1:40 AM

I met Buddy many years ago attending a local festival, loved the show and bought a cassette tape he had just released. We stayed in touch until he moved back closer to home. My heart goes out to all his family and friends. God now gets personal concerts from one of the coolest cats I've ever known.Rest in Peace.Kelly Freeman



Ruth Woods May 23 at 3:30 PM

My love to Tony and Carlisle as well.



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JF

Jeff Covington & Family sent a Divine Peace Bouquet to the Parker family.



May 22 at 3:11 PM

JJ

Jimmy Jones posted:

to the family of buddy parker. I met buddy when he worked at jeffs vintage music and had the opportunity to see him at the Poquoson seafood festival. I wish to extend my sympathy during these times and may his memory guide you through these times. jimmy jones

May 22 at 2:36 PM

JC

Jeff Covington posted:

Buddy will remain in our hearts forever. Remembered not only through his music, but for the kindness and love he always showed others. Peace my brother. Go rest high on that mountain. Luv ya BP Jeff

May 22 at 2:26 PM

SS

Susan Shaw lit a candle in honor of Charles .



May 22 at 12:57 PM

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Susan Shaw posted:

I was attending Culpeper High the same time as Buddy and his band played at my 16th birthday party. One sad memory is that his father passed away right before senior graduation. I have not seen Buddy since graduation and was sorry to see his obituary. He was a nice and thoughtful guy. Hope his years between graduation until present were happy ones. Rest In Peace, Buddy. My sincerest sympathy to his brother, Phillip and family and to his daughter, Carlisle and family.

May 22 at 12:56 PM

BG

Bristor Gwynne posted:

So Very Sorry to hear of your loss, May God watch over your family. Bristor "Chip" Gwynne

May 22 at 8:07 AM



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KE

Karen Evans posted:

Buddy cut my hair for many years and it was always a pleasure to talk with him. What he talked about most was his daughter and how much he loved her. He was always kind to me. I am so sorry for your loss.

May 22 at 6:45 AM

RP

Randahl Pedersen posted:

I met Buddy when I was a young guitarist with big dreams in Neeport News. He was a great inspiration & an exceptional player with tons of soul. He would come out to see us play & I would catch his shows when I was in town . I lost touch with him after I moved to California, but friends would keep me informed about news around town. So sorry for your loss, Rest In Peace Buddy. 🙏🎸🎸

May 22 at 6:14 AM

SA

Sam posted:

I'm so sorry for your loss.Over 55 or so yeas ago, when we were all trying to learn to play, I learned so much from Buddy. I learned the level of commitment it requires. He helped me learn that it takes a lifetime of pursuit and I'll always be grateful to him for that.Thanks for all the fun, Buddy.Sam Compton

May 22 at 6:08 AM

JC

Joseph Coates posted:

Buddy,I'm so blessed that I had the privilege to visit with you at Natural Bridge and share the many Thanks to you, for never judging me, the love and never ending friendship you gave to me. That day was my Goodbyes and my closure. I have my memories.Thanks for all you gave.JW

May 22 at 3:53 AM



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BF

Bob Foster posted:

I am so very sorry about your loss. Buddy had become a good friend to me in when we were in high school and college and his passing is a terrible tragedy for all of us who knew him. You and your family have my deepest sympathy. I know that he came from a good family and that you loved him very much, as he did you. He always spoke very highly of how much his family meant to him. Buddy was a good man and I admired all those wonderful qualities that made him the special person that he was. He had wit, charm and a caring heart that made him a good friend and one hell of a musician. I will always be thankful that I had the opportunity to get to know him and to call him a friend. I will cherish his memory for years to come. The poet Yeats once wrote "Count where man's glory most begins and ends, and say my glory is I had such friends." In Sympathy, Bob Foster

May 22 at 3:08 AM

JR

Jim Rogers posted:

While in Culpeper on liberty, Labor Day weekend of 1974, I ran into Buddy while hanging out at Rosenberg's. I had not seen him in several years. After a brief 'catching up' period, I decided to go to The Mediterranean, a lounge in Manassas, to listen to his band play. While there, a woman and her cousin walked in. One look at her and I was hooked. We were married the following spring and celebrated our 43rd year together earlier this month. So, had it not been for running into Buddy that fateful day ... He will always be a fond memory.

May 22 at 2:00 AM

ES

Ellen Sorrell posted:

Twenty years ago I lived a couple doors down from Buddy on Lee Street in Hampton. Was always a pleasure to have a neighborly chat. Saw him perform numerous times back then, what talent! Condolences to his daughter and family.

May 22 at 1:53 AM



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JP

John Pierce posted:

My Buddy Parker story-When I was a youngster I delivered the local morning newspaper to my neighborhood (South East street) and South Main street. Anyone familiar with that part of town would know many of the stately old houses sit back a good distance from the road, requiring you to park your Schwinn and walk close enough to toss the rolled up paper on the porch. One morning I was doing just that at the Parker residence (about 6 houses north of where we lived) when I heard guitar music. I tiptoed up to the front door, and there was Buddy, early in the AM, playing a shiny brand new candy apple red Fender strat through an equally shiny new Fender Deluxe reverb amp. Now, up to this point I had only a mild interest in music, more curiosity than anything. I was 11 or 12, Buddy must have been 15 or 16. At the moment I saw that guitar I put away my childhood perception of what was cool, and never looked back.

May 21 at 6:17 PM

DH

Don Harvey posted:

my deepest condolences to Philip Parker and your family at this time from your Canadian Friend Don Harvey

May 21 at 3:59 PM

LC

Lisa Cooper posted:

I am so sorry for your loss. Buddy was a force of nature.

May 20 at 3:25 PM

TW

Thomas & Libby Widgeon sent a virtual gift in honor of Charles .

Sorry For Your Loss! Jesus Loves Me!

May 19 at 8:08 AM





Billy Brockman shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

May 23 at 11:17 AM





Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Charles by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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