



# Charles M. Parker

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## Farewell to the Man, the Myth, the Welder:

Charles M. Parker, known to everyone as Chuck, on December 15, 2025 officially hung up his welding mask and set sail for the great beyond. A proud veteran of the US Navy, Chuck served honorably during the Vietnam War, a chapter of his life that earned him a well-deserved honorable discharge and a lifelong knack for knowing exactly how to fix just about anything (or at least how to tell you were doing it wrong).

### A Life of Sparks and Steel

By trade, Chuck was a master of the arc and the flame. He spent his career as a professional welder and was the kind of guy who understood that if you couldn't fix it with a steady hand and a high-heat weld, it probably wasn't worth fixing. Chuck spent his last years as a devout employee of Bingham & Taylor.

### Chairman of the Barstool

While he worked hard, Chuck truly excelled at his second "profession": Holding Council. He was a local patron of Zandra's on Mondays and Beer Hound and Far Gohn Tuesdays through Sundays. At these local watering holes Chuck could be found with a cold beverage and a stool as Chuck was likely the unofficial Mayor of the establishment.

He was a man who valued loyalty, sharp wit, and a good story. Chuck is survived by his stepdaughter, Amanda Pruitt, and a legendary roster of friends who served as his "board of directors" over the years. The local scene won't be quite the same without his presence, and he will be deeply missed by: The Regulars: Larry, Mack, Frank, Paul, John, Dick, Rick, Bill, Andy, Woodbery Drew and Big Al.



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The Ladies who kept him in line: Janet, Shirley, Gilda, Brittany and Alicia.

"He may have left the shipyard, but the sparks he flew and the laughs he shared will keep our hearts warm for a long time."

Chuck requested no somber tears—just maybe a toast in his honor next time you find yourself at the pub. Smooth sailing Sailor, and may you have fair winds and following seas..... We've got the watch from here.

Interment is scheduled for February 9, 2026 at 2:00 p.m. at Culpeper National Cemetery, 501 E. Chandler Street, Culpeper, VA, with honors provided by VFW Post 2524.

An online guestbook and tribute wall are available at <https://www.foundandsons.com>  
Found and Sons Funeral Chapel is handling the arrangements.



# Events

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## Interment

- Monday**, February 9, 2026
- 2:00 PM ET
- Culpeper National Cemetery (New)**  
501 East Chandler Street, Culpeper VA 22701



## Cemetery Details

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# Tribute Wall

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**Joseph Freeman** lit a candle in honor of Charles.

My first encounter with Chuck resulted in a lasting bond of friendship. I remember Chuck for his candor, wisdom, warmth, convictions and honesty. We both had military backgrounds and we enjoyed sharing our " war stories" at every meeting. Chuck was proud of his navy experience while serving on destroyers and often reflected on his service on these warships. My limited knowledge on these vessels was broadened through our candid discussions. He even shared magazines highlighting these magnificent warships of the US Navy. Big Al and I had occasion to visit Churck's apartment on a very cold day and I will never forget the hospitality and the memorable experience that day. .A good friend, a gentleman, and a courageous fighter to the end, Churck leaves behind a legacy which will endure.Col ( Ret) J B Freeman



February 4 at 10:15 PM



**Curtis Smith** posted:

Sending him off at the bus stop to join the Navy in 1970. I took over his job at Ben and Mary's Steak House. Both of our fathers were Naval Lt. Commanders in WWII. Ours was a bond that lasted a lifetime.

January 24 at 11:20 AM



**C C** lit a candle in honor of Charles.

C C lit a candle in memory of Charles Parker

January 23 at 10:15 PM



**Last Spartan** posted:

God Speed Charlie ! didn't know you for long but it was an honor meeting you and conversations with you at the brewery will be missed!

January 23 at 10:46 AM



**Joyce Corbin** lit a candle in honor of Charles.

Fly high

January 21 at 9:56 PM





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**Joan Azbell** lit a candle in honor of Charles.

Sorry to hear of Chuck's passing. I had not seen him in many years.

January 21 at 8:27 PM



**Joan Azbell** lit a candle in honor of Charles.

Sorry to hear of Chucks passing. I had not seen him in many years.

January 21 at 8:26 PM



**Lilibet Cooper** lit a candle in honor of Charles.

You were a man with such a good heart, Chuck. I will remember you sharing your adventures with me whenever we saw each other. There was never a dull moment listening to you! That smile. You were always smiling. Rest easy my friend. Fly high with the angels.

January 21 at 11:56 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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