



Richard Donald Parker

December 23, 1941 - May 6, 2026

Richard Donald Parker passed away peacefully on May 6, 2026, surrounded by the love of his family.

He was preceded in death by his beloved wife of 25 years, Linda Parker, and by his son, Timothy Parker. After Linda's passing, he was blessed to find companionship and love again with Mary Barnum, who remained faithfully by his side until his passing.

He is survived by his sons, Kevin Parker and Tony Parker (Amie); his brothers, Rev. Grady B. Parker and Lewis Wayne Parker; and his sister, Janie Ruth DeFavero. He also leaves behind his cherished grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, and many friends whose lives were touched by his kindness, humor, and steady presence.

He will be remembered as a hardworking man who loved his family deeply and lived his life with strength, resilience, and devotion to those he cared for. His memory will continue to live on in the stories shared, the lessons taught, and the love he gave so freely.

Honorary pallbearers will be his grandsons, Noah Parker and Luke Parker. Funeral service for Mr. Parker will be Saturday, May 16, 2026 at 1:00 p.m. (CST) at Thompson Funeral Home. Burial with military honors will follow at Nances Creek Cemetery. The family will receive friends Saturday from noon until time of service at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made in his honor to Shriners Children's Hospital.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 16. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Thompson Funeral Home & Crematory
6340 Old Piedmont-Gadsden Hwy
Piedmont, AL 36272
(256) 447-7113
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Service

MAY 16. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Burial

MAY 16 (CT)

Nances Creek Cemetery
4089 Hollingsworth Road
Jacksonville, AL 36265