

Waters-Powell Funeral Home

Charles Russell Parker, Sr.

(July 3, 1953 - September 29, 2016)

FLORENCE – Charles “Russell” Parker, Sr., 63, died peacefully Thursday morning, September 29, 2016, at McLeod Hospice House.

A Memorial Service will be held at 2:00 p.m., Sunday, October 2, 2016, at Evergreen Baptist Church with visitation following in the fellowship hall. Waters-Powell Funeral Home is entrusted with arrangements.

He was born in Florence, SC, a son of Topsy Ward Parker of Evergreen and the late Edward Harley Parker, Sr. He graduated from Southside High School in 1971, where he participated in all sports and excelled in baseball. He also played American Legion baseball for many years. After high school, Russell was drafted by the Baltimore Orioles organization. He was well known for his athletic talents.

Russell worked in mobile and modular home sales. He was also co-owner and operator of Parker’s convenience store on Second Loop Road in Florence.

He was a member of Evergreen Baptist Church.

In addition to his mother, Russell is survived by a son, Charles Russell “Chad” Parker, Jr. (Pam) and a granddaughter, Madison Parker, all of Florence; a sister, Debbie P. Martin, of Florence; a brother, Edward H. “Bobo” Parker, Jr., of Evergreen; a special aunt, Kathryn Hopkins (Richard), of Florence; and a number of extended family members and friends.

He was predeceased by a brother, Al Parker; and two nephews, Todd Martin and Edward H. Parker, III.

The family would like to thank Dr. Howard Farrell and his wonderful staff, along with the many doctors and nurses that have been a part of this journey. Thanks also to the McLeod Hospice House for their love and compassion.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Evergreen Baptist Church, 6316 Pamplico Hwy., Effingham, SC 29541.

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