



John F. Parker

April 23, 1953 - September 30, 2024

John F. Parker, 71, of Syracuse, passed away peacefully at home on Monday, September 30, 2024, surrounded by his loving family. Born to the late William and Suzanne Parker, John was a devoted family man who found immense joy in cooking for his loved ones, camping, traveling, and cheering on Syracuse sports and the Buffalo Bills. He was known for his love of family barbecues and, above all, for the precious time spent with his children, grandchildren, and his loyal dog, Oliver.

A 1971 graduate of Marcellus High School, John pursued his passion for food by earning a degree in Food and Restaurant Management from SUNY Morrisville in 1973. He worked as a chef for 10 years, creating memorable meals and building lasting friendships in the restaurant industry. Later, John found a new calling as a locksmith, a career he enjoyed for over 40 years before retiring from IDN Hardware Sales in 2018. John was a long-time member of the Camillus Elks Lodge #31.

John is survived by his loving wife and soulmate of 44 years, Kathy, with whom he shared a lifetime of love and happiness. He is also survived by his cherished children: Erin Parker, John M. Parker, Lindsay (Aaron) Spinks, and Amy Parker (Gary Harris); and his adored grandchildren: Ryan, Jordyn, Kadence, Kelsey, Adelyn, and Lochlan; three brothers William (Mary Kay), Stephen and James; several nieces, nephews and cousins; plus a large

number of close friends some that go back to his childhood.

John's warmth and dedication to his family will be deeply missed by all who knew him. His legacy lives on in the hearts of those he loved and through the memories of a life well lived.

A gathering to Celebrate his Life will be Sunday, October 13, 2024, from 12 pm to 3 pm at the Elks Lodge #31, 6117 Newport Rd, Camillus.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the National Kidney Foundation at www.kidney.org

Arrangements by B.L. Bush & Sons Funeral Home, Camillus.

Please sign his guestbook www.BLBUSH.com

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

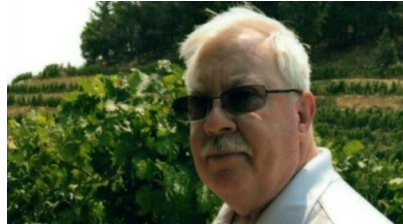
OCT **13**. 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Camillus Elks Lodge #0031
6117 Newport Rd
Camillus, NY 13031
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Tribute Wall



“ *B.L. Bush & Sons Funeral Home / Monuments created a Tribute Video in memory of John F. Parker*



B.L. Bush & Sons Funeral Home / Monuments - October 13, 2024 at 04:54 PM

SE

“ *kathy and family, we here at St. Joes unit 3-1 are so sorry to hear of Johns passing. there are some people that leave a lasting imprint on you and John was one of them. He was such a funny guy and always had a quick response for us! I really enjoyed watching football with you two when I was caring for him.. He definitely was a fighter. I hope you all find the peace and comfort in knowing he is at peace. God Bless you all.*

Sue Elliott

nurse on unit 3-1

Sue Elliott - October 20, 2024 at 09:14 AM



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B.L. Bush & Sons Funeral Home / Monuments - October 13, 2024 at 04:53 PM

WW

“ My heartfelt condolences to the family on the loss of John. As kids, we spent several nights camping out and more recently, shared memories and laughs at Class of '71 reunions. Walt Wright

Walt Wright - October 06, 2024 at 02:03 PM

CI

“ My sincere condolences to his family ,RIP cousin Johnny.

Cousin Chuckie Isbell - October 03, 2024 at 12:50 PM

DG

“ I have known John since he and Kathy got together more than 45 years ago. Always enjoyed talking to him and laughing with him -- he was such a funny guy. And he really knew his foods. I will forever thank him for hooking me up to Doc's Pizza in Camillus. So whenever I get pizza, I will think of John.

Debbie Groom - October 02, 2024 at 02:35 PM

CP

Cousin “Johnny” was my best buddy as cousins growing up
Memories made together for ever.... from bday parties shared, carvel ice cream and playing down in the “basement”
I'm so happy we kept connected over these years. 🌻
Most of all I'm sure going to miss laughing together 🍺

Cousin Adrienne Paquette - October 02, 2024 at 06:41 PM

PK

To John's family, so sorry for your loss. It was so nice seeing John at a couple of the reunions we've had over the past 53 years for the class of '71. John was always kind of quiet but always smiling and a great sense of humor. He surely be missed by all who knew him.

Pat Krzykowski - October 04, 2024 at 11:20 AM