



Courtney Parks

June 23, 1923 - July 15, 2014

Courtney Cloyde Parks Courtney Cloyde Parks, 91, went home on July 15, 2014 to be with his Savior after an extended battle with cancer. Courtney was born June 23, 1923 in Lincoln County, Oklahoma to Uel Lee and Hazel Eugenia Parks. He was a WWII Veteran who served in the U.S. Navy Armed Guard as a Gunner's Mate. Armed Guard provided protection on freighters carrying supplies to allied troops. He was in active service in Atlantic and Pacific Theaters. After the war, Courtney attended and graduated from Sam Houston State University. He became a teacher and then would later serve as principal with Houston Independent School District at five of their schools, Robert E. Lee, Cooley, Jefferson, Elliott and Berry Elementary (becoming the Environmental Science Magnet School). He was active in many professional organizations and a pioneer in environmental education. He was an active member of the Houston Men's Garden Club where he received top awards for his vegetable entries, Charter member of Huntsville VFW and an active volunteer in the early stages of Heart's Museum. Courtney was a faithful member at First Methodist Church of Huntsville and later First United Methodist Church of Bedias. Courtney is survived by his wife of 70 years, Sue Parks; his daughter Sandra and husband Clyde; son Courtney Jr and wife Rosemary; three grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Lone Survivor Foundation, 2626 S. Loop West Suite 415, Houston, Texas, 77054 or online at www.LoneSurvivorFoundation.org. The family will receive friends from 12:00 PM (NOON) to 2:00 PM

on Saturday, July 18, 2014 at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home in Huntsville, Texas. Graveside services will follow immediately at Black Jack Cemetery. The procession will be escorted by members of the Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association and Patriot Guard. Memorial condolences may be made to the family online at www.shmfh.com.

Tribute Wall



“ Courtney Parks

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ Our love goes out to you for your physical loss of Courtney. He was such a beautiful example of Christian manhood. Heaven is rejoicing his homecoming.

David & Kathy Bottroff - July 28, 2014 at 08:44 AM



“ I was sorry to hear of Mr. Parks' transition to Glory. I was blessed to work with him as the School Nurse at Berry Elementary. His legacy as a kind, compassionate children's advocate & a quiet but fair administrator who was the head of our school family will be treasured by so many. He shared his wisdom, wit, gentle smile, and homemade holiday candy so freely. We have lost a visionary giant in education.

Lillie M. Ballard - July 20, 2014 at 07:19 PM

MA

“ My Dearest Sue, I'm so very sad to see this news for all of you. But I know the peace and comfort that you have because of Who you have served and you taught so many of us that He was and is faithful, so I know He is holding your heart. What a heritage your husband, partner and friend has left. He made it possible for you to answer the call on your life and he was always so gracious to share you with all those lost and hurting lives. His faithfulness not only to you and the family, but to his students, faculty and friends is just part of the gifts he gave through his quite and gentle spirit. Please know how much you are loved.

Madeline Armstrong - July 20, 2014 at 03:54 PM

AJ

“ I am so very sorry for the loss of your loved one. Our prayers are with you during this difficult time.

Arthur L. Jacoby - July 18, 2014 at 02:02 PM

RF

“ I am sadden to hear of Courtney's passing, but I know that he is rejoicing in the precense of Jesus. He was such a quiet, gentle man who loved to share his gardening knowledge. He made a great batch of divinity candy as well. The family is in my prayers. Love to you all.

Rhonda Fairchild - July 18, 2014 at 10:32 AM

JW

“ *Sadness mixed with joy as we learn of Courtney's going to be in the Presence of His Lord! Joy for Courtney for sure, but what a loss here for all who knew and loved him. Such wonderful memories of the consummate multi-award winning gardener! Those twinkling eyes and shy smile! Sue and family, you are in our hearts and prayers. We love you and pray God's blessing of peace and His incomparable comfort for you.*

Jim and Sharon

Jim and Sharon Wade - July 16, 2014 at 09:49 AM

GG

“ *What sad news to learn today. Courtney was such a sweet person, one of many fond memories at Covenant Christian Church. God's blessings as you say goodbye to a wonderful friend.*

Greg and Dani Gathright - July 15, 2014 at 08:08 PM