



Bobby "Bob" Joe Parker

October 24, 1939 - January 14, 2025

Bobby Joe Parker, 85, passed away Tuesday, January 14, 2025, under the wonderful care of the palliative unit at Baptist East Hospital. He was surrounded by family and friends in the weeks leading up to his passing. Bob was born October 24, 1939, to Henry and Hatti Parker of Harlan County, Kentucky.

He was an entrepreneur at an early age to provide for his family. Bob was the owner of Bob Parker and Son Auto Sales, where he was blessed to have worked with his son for 35+ years. His motto was "we don't sell cars to make money, we sell to make friends". Making friends is exactly what he did!

Bob was an encourager to everyone he met. He always made everyone feel special and loved.

He enjoyed spending time with his family at Nolin Lake. Many memories were made on the back porch and on long boat rides.

Bob's faith in Jesus has now allowed him to be reunited with his son, Bo Bo, after 53 years. Along with Bo, He was preceded in death by his parents and siblings, Julia Louise, Ken, Lydia, Joyce, and Charlie.

He is survived by his beautiful wife of 61 years, Betty; his children Brian (Susan) and Barbara (Brian); grandchildren Hannah, Madison (Adam), Dylan, Braden; and his first great-grandson, Judah. He had a very special bond with his niece, Lisa, who he loved like his own child. He is also survived by his wonderful siblings, Wayne (Freda), Don (Brenda), Aletha (Wayne), Bill (Hazel), Gary (Judy), and his favorite sister-in-law, Glenda. Along with many

nieces and nephews, who he loved dearly.

Funeral service will be held Saturday January 18, 2025, at Owen Funeral Home, 5317 Dixie Highway with burial in Park Howard Cemetery, Harlan KY.

Visitation will be Friday January 17, 2025, from 12:00-8:00pm and Saturday January 18, 2025, from 10:00-12:00pm at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Jude's Children Foundation.

Cemetery Details

Park Howard Cemetery

Harlan, KY

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 17. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Owen Funeral Homes - Dixie Highway
5317 Dixie Highway
Louisville, KY 40216
(502) 447-2600
<https://owenfuneralhome.com>

Visitation

JAN 18. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Owen Funeral Homes - Dixie Highway
5317 Dixie Highway
Louisville, KY 40216
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Service

JAN 18. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

BF

“ Bob was a very special person to all of us at Manheim when we worked there yrs ago. He & Brian were there every Tuesday and always made our day a good one..Will miss his smile..

Barbara Fess - January 26, 2025 at 11:24 PM

TM

“ Robin and I send our deepest condolences to the entire Parker Family. Bob touched both our lives.
Tim & Robin Meyers

Tim Meyers - January 17, 2025 at 06:41 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Bobby "Bob" Joe Parker.



January 17, 2025 at 12:17 PM

LB

“ Love, Russell, Amy & Isabella Burkhart purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Bobby "Bob" Joe Parker.



Love, Russell, Amy & Isabella Burkhart - January 16, 2025 at 03:50 PM

HJ

“ Henry Clay and Regina Jones send our condolences to the Parker Family. You are in our prayers.

Henry Jones - January 16, 2025 at 03:09 PM

TG

“ Tom and Tommy Gray purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Bobby "Bob" Joe Parker.



Tom and Tommy Gray - January 16, 2025 at 08:06 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Bobby "Bob" Joe Parker.

January 16, 2025 at 07:26 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Bobby "Bob" Joe Parker.



January 16, 2025 at 07:26 AM

MT

“ Manheim Louisville Team purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Bobby "Bob" Joe Parker.



Manheim Louisville Team - January 15, 2025 at 07:56 PM

OF

“ Oscar & Helen Fain lit a candle in memory of Bobby "Bob" Joe Parker



Oscar & Helen Fain - January 15, 2025 at 07:19 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Bobby "Bob" Joe Parker.



January 15, 2025 at 05:36 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Bobby "Bob" Joe Parker.



January 15, 2025 at 05:02 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Bobby "Bob" Joe Parker.



January 15, 2025 at 02:50 PM