



# James Ernest Parker, Sr.

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### **J**ames Ernest Parker, Sr.

Funeral services for James Ernest Parker, Sr., 88, of Longview will be held at Ten O'clock AM Wednesday December 27, 2006 at the Chapel of Rader Funeral Home 1617 Judson Road with James E. Parker, Jr. officiating. Burial will follow in Rosewood Park Cemetery under the direction of Rader Funeral Home of Longview. He passed away Friday December 22, 2006 in Longview surrounded by his loving family.

He was born April 7, 1918 in Kingston, Arkansas to Millard G. and Lena Johnson Parker.

James was a graduate of the Locust Grove High School in Locust Grove, Oklahoma; in 1940 he joined the Civilian Conservation Corps, and served there until 1941. He then joined the Army Air Force and served from 1942 until 1945, and was recalled for the Korean Conflict from 1951- 1953. He was a member of the Knights of Pythias.

James worked for and managed Westbrook Auto Supply and all its successors for 36 years. He was a member of the Post Oak Church of Christ and lived his life so as to please his Lord.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Millard and Lena Johnson Parker, five siblings, Art, Chester, Marjorie, Geraldine, Maurin and his beloved grandson Jason Powell.

He is survived by his wife of 63 1/2 years, LaVerne Westbrook Parker of Longview; daughters and sons-in-law, Carol and David Powell of Henderson, TX.; Gerry and Dwight Phifer of Jacksonville, TX.; son Jimmy Parker of Longview; grandchildren, Jonathan Foster, Karen Powell Holland, Andrew Phifer, Morgan Parker and Adam Phifer, great-grandchildren, Kayley, Esau and Levi Powell, Jonathan Holland and Atticus Foster and his faithful friend ?Benji?.



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Pallbearers will be Nathan Holland, Andrew Phifer, Adam Phifer, Wes Westbrook, J. R. Westbrook, Brian Westbrook, Joe Knox, Paul Goza and Kevin Burnley.

Honorary Pallbearers will be Dr. Tommy Thomas, Dwight Loyd, Bill Baxter, Hal Orgain, Bud Hendrick, and Floyd Faircloth. And all special friends who walked for years with the ?old men? with the little white dog.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home Tuesday evening December 26, 2006 from 6pm to 8pm.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Muscular Dystrophy or ALSLou Gehrig's Disease.



## Tribute Wall

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**Anonymous** posted:

I greatly enjoyed the numerous encounters with James and Benji on early morning walks along Long Park trail and greatly missed him when he no longer was able to walk. But I prayed for him as I walked near his home and in our Sunday school class. I\\m thankful he knew his Lord and is now with Him. Our prayers continue for Mrs. Parker and family.##imported-begin##Bill and Betty Kielhorn##imported-end##

December 26 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Jimmy,We are so sorry for your loss. I wish I could be there but I have been sick. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. May God give you comfort and surround you with those who love you.##imported-begin##Lois & Lu##imported-end##

December 26 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Gerry and family, We are so very sorry for your loss and regret we are unable to attend the service. All of you are in our prayers.~Kathy & Eldridge Moak##imported-begin##Kathy & Eldridge Moak##imported-end##

December 26 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Mrs. Parker and family, Your husband and father was the kindest and most helpful man on earth. When we started our business, our hands ran up a huge debt for supplies that did not account for the jobs in our shop. We had the privilege of dealing with Mr. Parker and he dealt with us in a courteous fashion and helped us set up an account that we could pay off in time. If he had not done this for us, we would never have been able to sustain our business for the 30 years it lasted. This was all due to a fine,Christian man who didn\\t want to see someone fail. We will always remember him as our salvation in a time of need. Our condolences to you in your loss. M. S. and Ellen Gann of Ore City Auto Sales, Ore City, Texas 75683.##imported-begin##M. S. and Ellen Gann##imported-end##

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**Anonymous** posted:

LaVerne, Jimmy and Family, We regret your loss of James. He was a good neighbor, friend and a dear person. He is now with other friends and family and will one day meet with us again. God bless you and your family and our prayers are always with you. The C.O. Hart Family##imported-begin##Barbara Hart##imported-end##

December 25 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Jimmy, I regret that we will be in Houston on the 27th, but you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. I will talk to you soon. -Melanie##imported-begin##Melanie Brashear##imported-end##

December 24 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Our love and prayers are with you. Bettie Jeane called me. Wish we could be with you.##imported-begin##Beth & Ralph Rowland##imported-end##

December 23 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

LaVerne, Jimmy, Morgan, and family, We are so sorry for your loss. James was a great man. It has been an honor to know him. Our prayers are with all of you. We love You.##imported-begin##Janet, Jessica, Monnica, and Steve##imported-end##

December 23 at 7:00 PM



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