



## Larry Franklin Parsons

October 25, 1946 - June 28, 2024

Larry Franklin Parsons 77, of Hurricane, WV, passed away June 28, 2024 at CAMC General Hospital after an unexpected illness.

Larry was born and raised in Charleston, WV. He excelled and took pride in learning, reading, and playing little league baseball. After fulfilling a promising high school baseball career as a catcher, he enrolled at West Virginia State College.

In 1964 upon graduation, Larry was commissioned Second Lieutenant in the Marine Corps. During his time in the Marines, he served in various duty stations in the US and overseas. As a Second Lieutenant in Vietnam he served as Infantry Officer. Subsequent tours of duty consisted of interesting Command and Staff assignments at various locations throughout the US and overseas.

Larry was a decorated Marine Officer, receiving the Meritorious Service Medal, Navy/Marine Corps Commendation Medal, Combat Action Ribbon and several campaign/service medals.

In 1991 Larry retired from active duty with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. Larry returned to his hometown, Charleston, WV in 1992 and went to work for the WV Regional Jail Authority. He was responsible for opening and being the

Administrator for the South Central Regional Jail and later the Western Regional Jail until he retired in 2009.

Larry lived an outstanding and successful life. He brought exceptional professionalism as well as wit and humor to any position he held. Helping others succeed was a strong goal he held. He was a loving husband, father, and grandfather and will be deeply missed by his family and friends.

Larry is survived by his loving wife Carolyn; children: Heather, Matthew and Sara; grandchildren: Noah, Reese, Brodie and Caitlin; step-daughter, Kim; brother, Mark; and sister, Yvonne.

In lieu of flowers please send a memorial donation in Larry's name to: St. Joseph's Indian School PO Box 100 Chamberlain, SD 57325-0100.

A Celebration of Life for Larry will be 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm Sunday September 15, 2024 at Berry Hills Country Club 1 Berry Hills Road, Charleston WV 25314 from pm with Pastor Delbert Hawley officiating.

Anyone wishing to leave a memory may do so by visiting Larry's tribute page at: [www.chapmanfuneralhomes.com](http://www.chapmanfuneralhomes.com).

Chapman Funeral Home 3941 Teays Valley Road Hurricane, WV 25526 is honored to serve the Parsons family.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

SEP **15.** 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Berry Hills Country Club  
1 Berry Hills Road  
Charleston, WV 25314

# Tribute Wall

HE

“ *Merry Christmas Dad, I miss you so much. It is so strange not hearing from you today. I love you with all of my heart. Love, Heather*

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**Heather** - December 25, 2024 at 02:35 PM

HE

“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



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**Heather** - November 11, 2024 at 02:34 PM

HE

“ *Dear Dad, Today is Veterans Day and I just wanted to thank you for your 20 years of service in the Marine Corps. You are loved and missed. Love your daughter, Heather xoxo*

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**Heather** - November 11, 2024 at 02:31 PM

HE

“ Dear Dad,  
Happy Birthday in Heaven. Today I would have called you to wish you a Happy Birthday and to see how you are going to spend your special day. I miss you so much. I miss sending you snakes stories. I miss hearing your voice. I miss getting text messages from you. I miss seeing the latest battle ship that you had completed. I miss you giving me updates on your health. I miss hearing about things you had done around the house. You are missed so much. I feel like you left too early. There was so much more for you to experience. I hope you know how much you are loved. I also hope that you are in Heaven enjoying a pain free life and can go on your daily walks with ease. I hope you can read this and that you know how much you are loved and missed. Happy Birthday Dad, I love you so much.  
Love, Heather

Heather - October 25, 2024 at 01:49 PM

SA

“ To all of Larry's loved ones - I just learned of Larry's passing. I am so saddened by your great loss. I played baseball at Charleston High with Larry. He was a great catcher and an even better person. I am proud to have called him my friend. He will be missed by all who knew him. All of you are in my prayers. GOD bless, Sparky Adams

Sparky Adams - September 18, 2024 at 10:31 AM

MP

He spoke of you fondly.

Mrs. Carolyn Parsons - September 19, 2024 at 08:09 PM

SP

Thank you! I regret losing contact after high school. The obituary shows he had a wonderful life and family! GOD bless.

Sparkyadams - September 21, 2024 at 09:47 AM

KE

“ I am so sorry to hear of Larry's passing. He was one of the Charlie's Poutin' House Gang, a group of guys who enjoyed fly fishing, good food, and most of all, fellowship. We met monthly for lunch in Charlie Krepps' garage. He had a subtle, timely sense of humor. I always called him "Colonel" and offered a salute when he entered the garage. He would return it with a grin. He had good, usually funny, stories to share from his military & State government experiences. He will be missed. My sincere condolences to his family and friends.

*Ken Eigenbrod*



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**Ken Eigenbrod** - September 15, 2024 at 02:47 PM

MP

*He had wonderful times at those gatherings. Spoke highly of all the guys.*

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**Mrs. Carolyn Parsons** - September 19, 2024 at 08:10 PM



“ *May the love of God surround you and your family during this difficult time,  
May you come to know that the love of God is with you always,*

*May your memories of Larry Franklin Parsons, give you peace, comfort and strength...*

*Rest now in the arms of our Lord your mission on earth is complete. I thank you for your service to our Country and my Freedom. You will not be forgotten.*

*My thoughts  
and prayers to the family of ....*

*US Marine Veteran, Larry Franklin Parsons, is “A True American Hero” God Bless†*

*† Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. John 15:13 †*

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**Cheryl Skinner, Tri-state Military Museum** - September 12, 2024 at 07:29 AM

KS

“ *I worked for Mr. P., as we lovingly referred to him, at SCRJ as well as WRJ. He was the best Boss ever, one you strived to make proud and earn his respect. Sadly, we've lost a good man.*

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**kathy sergent** - September 12, 2024 at 12:32 AM