



## Joseph Luther Sparks

September 6, 1926 - August 17, 2017

Joseph Luther Sparks, age 90, of Cedar Bluff, Virginia, passed away Thursday, August 17, 2017 in Lebanon, Virginia.

He was born in Richlands, Virginia and was the son of the late Ryntha Monroe and Vicie Beavers Sparks.

He was a lifelong resident of the Cedar Bluff area and was a retired coal miner. He was a U.S. Navy World War II Veteran. He was a seventy year member of the Cedar Bluff Masonic Lodge #260 AF & AM and was a member of UMWA Local #1256 Dante, Virginia.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Ola Mae McCoy Sparks; sisters, Lyda Mutter, Ethel Godbey, Helen Kestner, Dora Hankins, Hazel Hickman, and Margaret Gorny; and brothers, Willie, Leck, Harvey, Ruel, Elbert, Ed George, and Clarence Sparks. He was the last surviving member of his immediate family.

Survivors are:

Sons:

Joseph Luther Sparks and wife, Pamela D. of Christiansburg, Virginia  
Newton Monroe Sparks and wife, Teresa of Swords Creek, Virginia

Grandchildren: Jodie Suzanne Diz, Chyril Lynn Sparks, Marcus Monroe Sparks, and Tara Lee Fox

Great Grandchildren: Renthly Monroe Sparks

Services for Joseph L. Sparks will be private. Hurst-Scott Funeral Home in Richlands, VA is serving the family. Those wishing to express sympathy online may do so at [www.hurstscottfuneralhomes.com](http://www.hurstscottfuneralhomes.com).

# Tribute Wall



“ *Joseph Luther Sparks*

January 14, 2023 at 04:24 PM



“ *Joseph Luther Sparks*

January 14, 2023 at 02:26 PM



“ *I will miss you working in your garden and around the house. Your neighbor across the creek. Ronnie and Linda Puckett*



**Ronnie Puckett** - August 30, 2017 at 08:59 PM



“ *Tom And Dot McGlothlin lit a candle in memory of Joseph Luther Sparks*



**Tom and Dot McGlothlin** - August 26, 2017 at 07:27 AM

DH

“ *God bless your soul Great Uncle Joe. Rest In Peace.*



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**Darren Hankins** - August 19, 2017 at 09:31 PM

BJ

“ *Betty Jones lit a candle in memory of Joseph Luther Sparks*



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**Betty Jones** - August 19, 2017 at 06:58 PM

HC

“ *To the family of Joe Sparks,  
Our thoughts and Prayers are with you in the passing of your loved one. We had the opportunity to visit with Joe frequently a few years ago as he faithfully visited and fed his wife her meals, the times we were there (daily and each of her three meals) as she was unable to do so herself, when she was in assisted living quarters. We were visiting friends and it was a joy to see his devotion and caring to his wife. May you find comfort in your memories!*

*God Bless.*

*Marie Vencill Wyrick Jones*

*Helen Vencill Custalow (RHS '67)*

*Jerry Vencill*

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**Helen Vencill Custalow** - August 19, 2017 at 11:53 AM

DK

*Sorry of your loss. I enjoyed seeing Mr Sparks working in his garden and mowing his grass. He was a hard working neighbor. He will be missed in the neighborhood.*

**Doris and Don Keene** - August 20, 2017 at 03:41 PM

NH

“ *Neal/Debbie Hunsaker sent a virtual gift in memory of Joseph Luther Sparks*



**Neal/Debbie Hunsaker** - August 19, 2017 at 07:53 AM

BH

“ *Beth Elkins Hill sent a virtual gift in memory of Joseph Luther Sparks*



**Beth Elkins Hill** - August 18, 2017 at 09:37 PM

BH

“ *Beth Elkins Hill lit a candle in memory of Joseph Luther Sparks*



**Beth Elkins Hill** - August 18, 2017 at 09:36 PM

EH

“ *EVELYN HESS lit a candle in memory of Joseph Luther Sparks*



**EVELYN HESS** - August 18, 2017 at 09:19 PM

MA

“ *MarcellaOsborne lit a candle in memory of Joseph Luther Sparks*



**MarcellaOsborne** - August 18, 2017 at 08:03 PM

SL

“ *Sharon Powers Lowe lit a candle in memory of Joseph Luther Sparks*



**Sharon Powers Lowe** - August 18, 2017 at 07:15 PM

SL

*Monroe and family,  
So very sorry to hear of your dad passing. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. May the Lord place His loving arms around you and see you safely through this difficult time,  
Prayers, Sharon Powers Lowe*

**Sharon Powers Lowe** - August 18, 2017 at 07:17 PM

EH

“ *Every Hesd lit a candle in memory of Joseph Luther Sparks*



**Every Hesd** - August 18, 2017 at 06:08 PM

MH

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. I admired Uncle Joe, the way her cared for Aunt Ola Mae, his garden always bringing things to mommy and also calling to check on her. He was a good man and indeed will be missed. Martha Hickman Huffman*



**Martha Hickman Huffman** - August 18, 2017 at 05:55 PM

MH

“ *Michael Hichman lit a candle in memory of Joseph Luther Sparks*



**Michael Hichman** - August 18, 2017 at 04:35 PM

AM

“ *Anita McGlothlin-Gibson lit a candle in memory of Joseph Luther Sparks*



**Anita McGlothlin-Gibson** - August 18, 2017 at 04:34 PM

GG

“ George And Marilyn Godbey lit a candle in memory of Joseph Luther Sparks



George and Marilyn Godbey - August 18, 2017 at 04:00 PM

MW

“ Mike & Dottie Wingo lit a candle in memory of Joseph Luther Sparks



Mike & Dottie Wingo - August 18, 2017 at 03:47 PM

BW

“ Betty Wingo lit a candle in memory of Joseph Luther Sparks



Betty Wingo - August 18, 2017 at 03:40 PM

MW

“ Mazie White lit a candle in memory of Joseph Luther Sparks



Mazie White - August 18, 2017 at 03:17 PM



*I will miss him and the family has my prayers for comfort and healing. I am with you in heart and mind.*

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**Mazie White** - August 18, 2017 at 03:18 PM