



Timothy Jess Sparks

December 5, 1961 - June 5, 2023

Timothy Jess Sparks, age 61, of Bearwallow, Virginia, passed away on his beloved mountain on Monday, June 5, 2023.

Timothy was born in Richlands, Virginia on December 5, 1961, and was the son of Melvin Bernard Sparks and Edith June Griffith Sparks of Cedar Bluff, Virginia. He was a 1980 graduate of Richlands High School, and then attended the Butcher and Meat Cutters Trade College in Ohio. He worked for many years as a butcher at Deskins Supermarket, he also trained as a security guard, and later a prison guard, he also became a certified private investigator. But his love and passion were being a certified dog trainer; having trained the sheriff's office bloodhounds on how to track. Timothy was also a taxidermist and had a great talent for working on animals. In his spare time, he hunted, fished, and cut firewood for many people and attended the Reynolds Ridge Community Church. He was a lifetime resident of the area and will truly be missed by all who knew and loved him.

Those that remain to carry on his spirit are his:

Parents, Melvin Bernard Sparks and Edith June Griffith Sparks of Cedar Bluff, VA

Wife, Carol Reese Sparks

Stepdaughter, Jamie Reese Wooton of Ohio

Brothers:

James Christopher Sparks and his wife, Marsha of Claypool Hill, VA

Herbert Stanley Sparks and his wife, Molly of Bluefield, VA

Nephew, Allen Whatley

Funeral services for Timothy J. Sparks will be conducted on Friday, June 9, 2023, at 11:00 am at the Hurst-Scott Funeral Chapel in Richlands, Virginia with the Rev. Lonnie Perkins officiating. Interment will follow at the Nelson Family Cemetery on Bearwallow Mountain near Jewell Ridge, Virginia. Family and friends will serve as pallbearers. The family will receive friends Thursday evening beginning at 6:00 PM at the funeral home. Hurst-Scott Funeral Home in Richlands, Virginia is in charge of arrangements and those wishing to express sympathy online may do so at www.hurstscottfuneralhomes.com

Cemetery Details

Nelson Family Cemetery

Bearwallow, VA

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 8. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Hurst-Scott Funeral Home
1401 2nd Street
Richlands, VA 24641
<http://www.hurstscottfuneralhomes.com>

Funeral Service

JUN 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

TA

“ So sorry to hear this Jess was a one of a kind for sure his love of family friends and animal's he will surely be missed by all but now your training dog's for God rest easy ol friend



Timothy Atwell - June 21, 2023 at 02:33 AM

FP

“ From Fred Bez/Jami Lowstuter Psalms147:3 purchased the Garden Accent Stone - "Wherever a Beautiful Soul..." for the family of Timothy Jess Sparks.



From Fred Bez/Jami Lowstuter Psalms147:3 - June 14, 2023 at 11:21 AM

J(

“ Fred and I were so saddened to hear from June that Timmy had passed so suddenly and far too early! Our hearts go out to all of your precious family, June and Bernard. Please know we are praying for you and sending our love and hug to you. I hope you can feel them. Fred Bez and Jami Bez Lowstuter

Jami A. Lowstuter (Bez) - June 14, 2023 at 11:02 AM

JH

“ Johnny And Betty Honaker lit a candle in memory of Timothy Jess Sparks



Johnny and Betty Honaker - June 11, 2023 at 05:59 PM

JG

“ To the Sparks family i send my deepest sympathy. You are in my thoughts and prayers
May God give you comfort and be with you in the coming days. I am so saddened of the passing of Jess, he was my oldest friend and we shared a lot of good times and spoke very often. I will miss him very much. Jess (Virgil) till we meet again this is Jerry (Bill) saying I love you my friend

Jerry Gilbert - June 09, 2023 at 11:09 AM

CH

“ Bernard, June, Stanley, Chris and Family, So sorry for your loss of Timmy. My heart goes out to you, praying for comfort in the coming days. May God be with you throughout the coming days. Love and Prayers 🙏🙏

Cookie and Amoth Hayes - June 09, 2023 at 01:57 AM

CH

“ Cookie Amoth Hayes lit a candle in memory of Timothy Sparks



Cookie and Amoth Hayes - June 09, 2023 at 01:53 AM

RA

“ RBGlenda Altizer lit a candle in memory of Timothy Sparks



RBGlenda Altizer - June 08, 2023 at 10:40 PM

DA

“ To Stanley, June and family, sorry to hear about your brother (and son's) passing. Sending love and prayers in this difficult time.

Donna Altizer - June 08, 2023 at 04:06 PM

KK

“ Jess was an amazing, talented man. Always had a smile and so very friendly.



Kip and Donna Kirby - June 08, 2023 at 11:13 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Timothy Jess Sparks.

June 08, 2023 at 06:23 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Timothy Jess Sparks.



June 08, 2023 at 06:23 AM

JH

“ James Ruby Harmon sent a virtual gift in memory of Timothy Sparks



James & Ruby Harmon - June 07, 2023 at 11:38 PM

JS

“ Jeannie Spangler lit a candle in memory of Timothy Sparks



Jeannie Spangler - June 07, 2023 at 03:32 PM

LN

“ Larry nelson lit a candle in memory of Timothy Sparks



Larry nelson - June 07, 2023 at 02:53 PM

DW

“ Jess was such a sweet and funny guy in high school.. praying for peace and comfort for his family

Debbie Murray Waycaster - June 07, 2023 at 02:20 PM

NR

“ Norma Richardson sent a virtual gift in memory of Timothy Sparks



Norma Jewell Richardson - June 07, 2023 at 01:34 PM

VS

“ Jess always had a way of making us laugh (“Red sky at night, sailors delight; red sky at morning, it’s gonna get bad”). He was a good friend and I’m sorry he’s gone. Condolences to his wife, family & friends.

Victoria Serreno - June 07, 2023 at 08:28 AM



“ TonyanEdgar Wicks lit a candle in memory of Timothy Sparks



TonyanEdgar Wicks - June 07, 2023 at 08:22 AM



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TonyanEdgar Wicks - June 07, 2023 at 08:22 AM

WR

“ Wendy Reedy lit a candle in memory of
Timothy Sparks



Wendy Joyce Reedy - June 07, 2023 at 08:16 AM

JT

“ We extend our most sincere thoughts & prayers to the family.

Jack & Brenda Thompson

Jack Thompson - June 07, 2023 at 07:09 AM

LN

“ Leroy Angie Nelson lit a candle in memory of
Timothy Sparks



Leroy & Angie Nelson - June 06, 2023 at 11:14 PM

DA

“ Dickie Susan Altizer lit a candle in memory of
Timothy Sparks



Dickie and Susan Altizer - June 06, 2023 at 09:53 PM

GP

“ Bernard, June, and family, I am so sorry to learn of Tim’s death. I remember working with Tim at Alfred Land Diamonds many years ago. Tim was a talented man who chose to pursue his dreams in life and has left a legacy to many, those he worked with in various employments, his love for taxidermy and training of dogs. I am praying for the family that God will comfort your hurting hearts, and that His Love will surround you during this time of sorrow.



glenna phipps - June 06, 2023 at 09:19 PM



“ Davie Horton lit a candle in memory of Timothy Sparks



Davie Horton - June 06, 2023 at 06:15 PM