



Mr. Gerard Parkman

October 15, 1966 - December 7, 2020

In Loving Memory Of:

Gerard Parkman was born on October 15, 1966 to Fletcher and Judie Parkman in Detroit, Michigan.

Gerard attended Sunday school at Whitlock Memorial Church of God in Christ with his grandparents, sister, cousins and friends where he began his faith journey with God.

As a teenager, Gerard had a passion for his favorite sport, football, fixing electronic games and listening to the music of the musical genius Prince. As a lover of music, Gerard began working for his father's record shop, Damon Records Center where he worked through his early college years.

Gerard graduated from Henry Ford High School in Detroit, Michigan in 1984. After high school, Gerard attended college to study Electrical Engineering. Due to the high cost of tuition, Gerard gained employment with Ford Motor Company to help pay for his college tuition. Gerard was quickly selected as a candidate for the electrician apprenticeship program. This began Gerard's journey to become a Master Electrician for Ford Motor. Gerard earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering at Oakland University. On October 15, 2020, which was Gerard's 54th birthday, he celebrated 30 years of service with Ford Motor Company.

Gerard married Leslie Parkman and helped raise his stepson for several years.

Gerard loved spending time with family and friends and over the years, he developed a passion for cooking. He loved hosting bar-b-que cookouts and holiday parties at his home. He was the life of the party.

Gerard became a season ticket holder of the Detroit Lions football team and loved attending the games with his younger brother Damon and close friends. Gerard also enjoyed attending many of the Detroit Lions events, summer festivals and music concerts with his family and friends. Gerard was also an avid traveler.

Gerard cherished his nieces and nephews. He provided them with lots of love and support. His warm smile and generous hugs brought so much joy to them as well as others.

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Gerard Parkman*

January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM



“ *To the Family, so sorry to hear about Gerard. Hurt me to my core. Praying for you all.*

Jacqueline DeVose

Jackie DeVose - December 19, 2020 at 03:53 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers to the Parkman family. We offer condolences on the transition of your beloved brother and friend Gerard. May God's blessing of comfort and peace be with you at this time.*

The Sangster family (Kimberly, Sheldon and Shane)

Kimberly Sangster - December 19, 2020 at 01:34 PM



“ *My love, prayers, and condolences to Judy, Lisa, and family of Gerard. I remember Gerardi's beautiful big smile and will miss seeing his lovely pictures and enthusiastic positive attitude. He will be missed. Linda Harsin and Lindell Reason in Spokane, Washington*

Linda Harsin - December 19, 2020 at 11:50 AM

KA

“ Gerard although we went to H.S together our real friendship started 9 years ago because we both worked nights. You had such a kind heart and we both enjoyed our house music. We went to a lot of events together. I will miss you dearly. God bless you my dear until we meet again R.I.P
Kai

Kai - December 19, 2020 at 03:06 AM

ZB

“ Your kindness and warm smile shall never be forgotten. I will forever cherish our great moments as children attending Sunday School taught by your dear grandmother. My you rest in heaven.

Zelphia A. Banks

Zelphia A. Banks - December 18, 2020 at 03:05 PM

SB

“ Gerard,
You were so kind and nice to me when I was going through my health challenges. Also, you carried such a warm smile and heart that I will never ever forget. We were old neighborhood friends, that had reconnected via Facebook, which brought some fun hang out times. I will miss you dearly, and cherish our friendship. RIP my friend !!!

Starmania Barnes

Starmania Barnes - December 18, 2020 at 01:42 PM

LG

“ *What a wonderful blessing you were as a friend.*

*Your laughter, warmth, special charm,
thoughtfulness and kindness.*

You filled all of our hearts with friendship and love

No words can describe the warm memories

That comes from having a friend that you were to all of us

Your friendship and memory will be cherished.

Len Gagnon

Len Gagnon - December 18, 2020 at 10:43 AM

KT

“ *I Love you Gerard! May you live life on your new journey the way you lived it here on earth, graciously and filled with love! You lived life to the fullest and in a admirable way! I am very grateful for the time God has given us with you cousin! I didn't see you all the time but when I did it was like we never missed a beat! I will miss knowing that you are at the very least a phone call away! Take our love on your new Journey until we meet again ❤️❤️❤️🙏🙏🙏 Love Kiana*

Kiana Taylor - December 18, 2020 at 01:24 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Gerard Parkman.*



December 17, 2020 at 09:40 PM



“ *Chontay parkman purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Gerard Parkman.*



Chontay parkman - December 17, 2020 at 02:18 PM



“ *Romeo Engine, PV8 Assembly Maintenance Team purchased the Joyful Memory for the family of Mr. Gerard Parkman.*



Romeo Engine, PV8 Assembly Maintenance Team -
December 16, 2020 at 11:13 AM



“ *Your brothers and sisters purchased the Simply E legant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Gerard Parkman.*



Your brothers and sisters - December 15, 2020 at 06:26 PM

JV

“ G.

Apprenticeship, the gym, work, eating, the gym, more work, Detroit Lions, grilling, daily OT, smokin meat, sharing recipes, weekend OT, growing peppers. 25 years of friendship. Brothers forever.



Johnny Verellen - December 14, 2020 at 08:13 PM

J(

Always that smile. Loved his eye roll at my bad jokes. All around great guy who will be missed.

John Verellen (sr) - December 17, 2020 at 10:11 AM

RM

Was a pleasure working with Gerard, Always a big smile and a big heart. My Deepest Sympathy.

Rick Michaels - December 27, 2020 at 08:19 AM



“ *Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of Mr. Gerard Parkman.*



December 14, 2020 at 03:08 PM

KM

“ *I will always remember His warm heart and infectious smile A true Lions Fan and Had a love for His family and friends. Will miss you love aunt Jean*

Karen Moore - December 12, 2020 at 02:30 PM

TR

“ *RIP Nephew your uncle Dicky and aunt Martha*

Thomas Reason - December 11, 2020 at 09:07 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mr. Gerard Parkman.*



December 11, 2020 at 05:28 PM