



Marion Sparks Ramey

October 27, 1949 - August 5, 2022

Marion Sparks Ramey, Jr, age 72, passed away peacefully on Friday, August 5, 2022. Born October 27, 1949, in Macon, GA, he was the oldest son of the late Marion Sparks Ramey, Sr. and Christine Scott Ramey.

Sparks is survived by his wife of 54 years, Linda Boggs Ramey; his daughter and husband, April and Eric Lovelace; son and wife, Mark and Holly Ramey; grandchildren Jude Lovelace, Caleb Lovelace, Joelle Lovelace, Hudson Sparks Ramey, Clara Lovelace, Charlotte Ramey and Macabee Sparks Lovelace. He is also survived by his brother and wife, John and Cathy Ramey; Mother-in-Law Caroline Vose Boggs; Aunt Mary Frances Ramey Lipford; brothers and sisters-in-law and numerous cousins, nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephew.

Sparks was a 1967 graduate of Carlisle Military School in Bamberg, South Carolina. He received his Bachelor of Business Administration degree from Georgia State University in 1981.

Sparks was an active member of the Atlanta area business community as co-owner of Professional Consultants, member of Newnan Business Network International and the Newnan-Coweta Chamber of Commerce. He had a heart for helping children and showed this love through his work with them in church, as an active member of the Newnan Optimist Club, Newnan Kiwanis

Club and participating in Newnan High School's History Department's Meet the Veterans Days. As a lover of history and a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, he participated in living history presentations at elementary schools in the surrounding counties.

Through the years he taught adult Sunday School Classes. While a member of First Baptist Fairburn, he was a member of Builders for Christ, helping construct churches and homes in needy areas. He served as a Deacon at Ramah First Baptist Palmetto for twenty years.

Sparks served as a Hospital Corpsman in the United States Coast Guard, on the Cutter Courageous. He was a proud associate member of the Sgt. Clyde Thomason, MOH, Detachment #1325, Marine Corps League in Sharpsburg.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held Sunday, August 14, at 2:00pm, Ramah First Baptist Church, 502 Ramah Drive, Palmetto, GA. Visitation and a reception will follow the service in the church fellowship hall.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorial contributions be made in Spark's name to Ramah First Baptist Church, 502 Ramah Drive, Palmetto, GA. Condolences may be expressed to the family online at www.mckoon.com.

McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory 770-253-4580

Cemetery Details

McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory

38 Jackson Street
Newnan, GA 30263
care@mckoon.com
<http://www.mckoon.com>

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Service

AUG 14. 2:00 PM (ET)

Ramah Baptist Church
502 Ramah Drive
Palmetto, GA 30268
<https://ramahfbc.com/>

Tribute Wall

WM

“ Woody & Becky McNair purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Marion Sparks Ramey.



Woody & Becky McNair - August 13, 2022 at 09:21 AM

LP

“ Linda, love and sympathy to you and your family. Linda and Amy Patterson

Linda Patterson - August 12, 2022 at 12:08 AM

 Dianne Webb

“ Sparks was my husband's closest friend...they were two of a kind. Mike and I spent countless hours together with him and Linda. We both love Sparks dearly, and I have no doubt that Sparks & Mike are in heaven singing “Dixie” and “Band of Brothers”. It may not be scriptural, but it makes me smile. May our Magnificent God bless and keep his family in the shadow of His wings...

Dianne Webb - August 10, 2022 at 02:08 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Marion Sparks Ramey.



August 10, 2022 at 02:07 PM

SJ

“Sparks was one of the small group of SCV members that were active when I joined in 1990. He was always fun to be around, and he was an incredible historian. Most importantly, he was a good person! I enjoyed every minute spent with him and I will miss him very much. Sincerely, Scott Gilbert

Scott Kendrick Gilbert Jr. - August 09, 2022 at 09:33 AM

MB

“I Don't know if he came to help build at Fellowship Baptist in Brinson. I do know that we got a lot of help from Newman and are grateful still for their work. God bless your family.

Martha Bryson - August 09, 2022 at 08:28 AM



“Sparks was blessed with a servant's heart. When we spoke, he always showed an interest in what was going on in my life. I once had a trip planned to San Juan and I'll never forget how excited he was for me. He described the beauty of the old Fort and was sure to ask me about it when I returned.

Sparks always asked about my family and greeted me with a hug. He was kind, funny, and upbeat. He wore fun ties or shirts on Holidays and had a big smile to match.



Dixie Mason-Langley - August 09, 2022 at 12:48 AM



“ *Sparks was always willing to set up programs to share his love of history with my students! Showing up in his uniform and beautiful smile, he was so proud of his SCV friends! He was a kind a gracious man who will be missed!*
Michael and Carol Stewart



Carol Stewart - August 08, 2022 at 09:00 PM

LN

“ *Lee & Pat Norton lit a candle in memory of Marion Sparks Ramey*



Lee & Pat Norton - August 08, 2022 at 08:15 PM

MS

“ *Marcia Smith lit a candle in memory of Marion Sparks Ramey*



Marcia Smith - August 08, 2022 at 05:00 PM

DL

“ *I am deeply sorry to hear of the passing of Sparks. He was one of the very best men I have ever known.*

Don Ledbetter - August 08, 2022 at 11:26 AM

MH

“ I am a better person for having known Sparks. Of that, there can be no doubt. He is missed, yet he remains. Sincere condolences to his family and friends.



Mark Holmes - August 08, 2022 at 11:20 AM