



Dave Sparks

January 16, 2021

Dave Sparks, age 74, of Carneys Point passed away on January 16, 2021. Born in Woodbury to the late Charles Davidson Sparks, Sr. and Ruth (Bradway) Sparks, Dave was a lifelong resident of Carneys Point and was a 1964 graduate of Penns Grove High School. He attended Salem Community College where he trained to be a millwright and went on to work at DuPont Chambers Works in Deepwater where he worked as a safety coordinator and from which he retired after 40 years. Dave attended the Sharptown Methodist Church where he helped run the Christian Men's Fellowship Dinner.

Dave started his political career on the Carneys Point Township Committee. He was elected to the Salem County Board of Chosen Freeholders where he served for 21 years. He retired from politics 15 years ago but found himself back on the CP Township Committee, on which he was sworn in this past January 4th. Dave was involved in numerous organizations and received many awards and accolades in both his personal and professional life. He loved to golf, ride his bike and just about anything to do with cars.

Dave is survived by his loving wife of 55 years, Carol (Kidd) Sparks; his sons Steven Sparks (Kate) of Florida, Robert Sparks (Paula) also of Florida and John Sparks (Clara) of Penns Grove; his grandchildren Samantha, Jillian, Jack and Kevin; his brother Everett Sparks (Sandy) of Maine; his sister Sharon Harding (George) of Delaware; and several nieces and nephews. He

was predeceased by his parents.

Services will be held on Friday, January 22, 2021 at the Sharptown Methodist Church, 3 Chapel Street, Pilesgrove, NJ 08098. There will be a visitation starting at 9 AM followed by the funeral service at 11 AM. Those who are not comfortable coming to the church are welcome to live stream the services from the Sharptown Church Facebook Page and all are welcome to attend the graveside committal at 12:30 PM at Lawnside Cemetery in Pilesgrove.

In lieu of flowers, the family has asked that donations be made in Dave's memory to the Sharptown Methodist Church, 3 Chapel Street, Pilesgrove, NJ 08098.

Cemetery Details

Lawnside Cemetery

Rt. 40
Woodstown, NJ 08098

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 22. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Sharptown Methodist Church
3 Chapel Street
Pilesgrove, NJ 08098

Service

JAN 22. 11:00 AM (ET)

Sharptown Methodist Church
3 Chapel Street
Pilesgrove, NJ 08098

Graveside

JAN 22. 12:30 PM (ET)

Lawnside Cemetery
Rt. 40
Woodstown, NJ 08098

Tribute Wall

HE

“ *Condolences to Sparks family*

Howard Eastlack - January 24, 2021 at 02:58 PM

CV

“ *Dave never ceased to bring joy to my heart as he always had joy in his heart. He loved God and loved people. Dave will be greatly missed by all who knew him. It has been a joy to know Dave and to know what he stood for. I am very thankful that we will meet again in Heaven some day and continue our friend ship as brother and sister in Christ Jesus. Praying for you Carol and entire family as you go through this time and trusting that you will find great peace in God's amazing hands.*

Much love to you all.

Cookie Vanderslice

Cookie Vanderslice - January 22, 2021 at 12:09 PM

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“ *Dave was one of the finest men I knew. He loved his family, he loved people, and he loved the Lord. His friendliness and his hearty laugh drew people to him. He worked hard and had the ability to get things done. Our experience as a family with him goes back a number of years. My condolences to Carol and the family. You are in my prayers. Dave will be greatly missed.*

Barbara Essington - January 22, 2021 at 07:25 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dave Sparks.*



January 21, 2021 at 09:14 AM



“ *There are no words to express how shocked and saddened we were to hear of Dave's passing. All our memories of conversations and times spent with Dave are pleasant due to his upbeat and outgoing personality. You were always sure to walk away with a smile. Last night we were reminiscing about some of the memorable experiences we shared over the years such as our trip to Puerto Rico and working at DuPont. Dave was always a friend you could depend on. Our thoughts, prayers and deepest sympathy goes out to Carol and family.*

Bob and Eileen Lawless - January 20, 2021 at 03:55 PM



“ *Donna Willadsen lit a candle in memory of Dave Sparks*



Donna Willadsen - January 20, 2021 at 09:31 AM



“ *I can remember all the good times with little league and babe Ruth times and the times of us spending playing cards at our card parties. So many good times..my prayers for the family.*

joan sumey - January 20, 2021 at 07:06 AM

JK

“ Jarrod Koskey lit a candle in memory of Dave Sparks



Jarrod Koskey - January 20, 2021 at 07:01 AM

GC

“ Carol and family. So very shocked and sorry to hear of Dave's passing. He truly was a pillar of the community. Prayers sent. Joe and Gail Costello.

Gail Costello - January 19, 2021 at 09:49 PM

BU

“ Dave is a long time friend and will be sorely missed. My condolences to Dave's family. Always willing to help...RIP Dave. Butch & Sharon Ulissi ..



Butch & Sharon Ulissi - January 19, 2021 at 08:44 PM

LS

“ Linda Adam's N Stu lit a candle in memory of Dave Sparks



Linda Adam's n Stu - January 19, 2021 at 02:08 PM