



## RODNEY HOWARD PARKS

January 29, 2016

Rodney Howard Parks, of McCalla, passed from this earthly life on Friday, January 29, 2016, at the age of 82 years old. He was a graduate of Bessemer High School, was the Quarterback of the 1951 Bessemer State championship football team, President of Student Body, President of National Honor Society, and recipient of the Law-Battle scholarship. A veteran of the United States Army, he served during the occupation in Germany as a military policeman. He was a purchasing manager at Rust Engineering, where he was an employee for over 35 years. He was a member at Hueytown Church of Christ. He was a generous and patient husband and father. He was preceded in death by his father Howard Avington Parks; mother Catherine Owen Parks; and older brother James Stanley Parks. He leaves behind a wife of 55 years, Ondrea Sharlene Parks; a son, Rodney Keith Parks (Michelle); and a daughter Cynthia Kay Galloway (Jim); three grandchildren, Rebekah Parks, Jessica Grigsby, and Brittany Grigsby; two brothers Charles Parks, and Larry Parks; and various nieces and nephews. He loved the Lord, his family and this country. We will miss him every day. The visitation will be Monday, February 1, 2016, from 12:30 PM until 2:00 PM at Peoples Chapel Funeral Home. The funeral service will be at 2:00 PM at the funeral home. Burial will follow at Forest Grove Cemetery.

# Tribute Wall

GM

“ *My prayers and thoughts are with all of you during this time. Sharlene, just want you to know I care and if I can do anything for you please don't hesitate to call me. Love you, Gail*

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**Gail Brown Massey** - February 01, 2016 at 11:41 PM

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“ *RODNEY HOWARD PARKS*

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**Ed gray** - February 01, 2016 at 04:22 PM

DA

“ *Our thoughts and prayers go out to your family. We both worked with Rodney for many years at Rust and he was truly a very special person!*

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**Don & Donna Albright** - February 01, 2016 at 12:07 PM

KP

“ *I owe you so much Dad. I love you and I will miss you.*

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**Keith Parks** - February 01, 2016 at 08:00 AM

BB

“ *I'm sorry for your loss. He was a good man. Rodney hired me at Rust Engineering and thus made me a part of "my Rust family". He gave me the nickname "Bonnie Sue", though my name is not "Sue". I know he will be greatly missed.*

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**Bonnie Barnett** - January 31, 2016 at 08:40 PM

JC

“ So sorry for the loss of Rodney. He was such a kind and caring man...

Jona Capps - January 31, 2016 at 07:56 PM

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“ Rodney was a good uncle, husband, and father. We was always kind to me and had a quick wit. To my knowledge his only short-coming was being an Auburn fan ("Roll Tide") ... but I'm sure the Lord will overlook this. I have friends who knew him personally and held his friendship in high regard. We will miss him.

James S Parks (Stan) - January 01, 1753 at 06:58 PM

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“ I am so sorry to hear of Rodney's passing. He was a great man and I am so glad to have known him. I worked for him at Rust Engineering many years ago. He always kept everyone laughing with his dry wit and humor. He loved his family and was so proud of Keith and Cindy, always sharing stories of you both! I know you will all miss him. My prayers and thoughts to all of the family and many friends who loved him! God gained an Angel!

Terri - January 01, 1753 at 06:19 PM