



Wanda Lea (Boesl) Parker

August 5, 1946 - February 2, 2012

Wanda Lea (Boesl) Parker was born on August 5th, 1946 in Waynesville, Missouri to the late Albert Allen and Edna Lea (Harris) Boesl. She joined her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ in heaven along with many family members who had preceded her in death on February 2, 2012 in her home near Richland. Wanda married her loving husband and best friend Charles Louie Parker on October 15th, 1966. The couple was richly blessed with two daughters, Charla Lorraine (Parker) Baker and Kelli Deneen (Parker) Lockhart. She lived on her family farm which was located on the old Brownfield Star Route, (BSR as Wanda referred to it) her entire life. Later in their marriage, heaven split open and two beautiful grandchildren joined this loving family, Jared Eugene Lockhart and Britanea Nicole Lockhart.

Of all the dates Wanda believed were important in her life, the most important one was when she willingly accepted Jesus Christ as her Savior at Independence Baptist Church near Richland in August 1956. After her salvation she was baptized in the beautiful Gasconade River. She was a member of the Independence Baptist Church for many years, later Buckhorn Baptist Church, near Richland and for the last twenty years was an active member of the First Baptist Church of Richland.

Wanda graduated from Richland High School and furthered her education with Lincoln University while working for the Federal Government. She worked

through the summers of her High school years in many diversified jobs at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. Her employment with the Federal Government continued after graduation. She left Fort Leonard Wood for ten years, where she worked for the Richland R IV School System in a classroom setting, and later as secretary to the grade school principal, and then to the school Superintendent. After her daughters graduated from high school she once again returned to the Federal Government where she retired as an Editor/Writer from the Engineer School. Wanda also served as District Secretary for State Representative Jim Mitchell.

Wanda was gifted with extraordinary talent in creating, decorating, sewing, knitting, flowers, and cooking. It is believed she made over 2,000 cakes, many wedding, but given a picture she could design anything an individual asked. Her talents didn't end there, however, she served the Lord by playing the piano, organ, Sunday School Teacher, Vacation Bible School, Song Leader, hand making costumes for various presentations and lastly, her great love for the Awana program in which she worked until her health failed.

Wanda showed compassion and concern about others placing her self last as evidenced at the young age of eight. Her father's death resulted in her mother going to work to support the family leaving her to care for herself and her younger sister to whom she grew very close. Wanda loved family events, celebrations, parties, & holidays. She particularly loved the trips to War Eagle with her family in the fall and dearly loved the Boesl/Vaughn Reunion each year in June. She enjoyed caring for her fish pond, feeding and watching the Coy grow. Wanda loved camping trips, and enjoyed watching and feeding of all birds, especially humming birds.

Wanda had many friends from all Walks of Life. She opened her home to everyone and had a compassionate heart.

Survivors include her husband, Charles Louie Parker of the home, two daughters, Charla Baker and her husband Gary of Richland, Kelli Lockhart and her husband Ross of Bolivar, Missouri two grandchildren, Jared and Britinae Lockhart and one sister Wilma Lorraine (Boesl) Oursbourn and her husband Douglas of Richland, her mother-in-law, Louise Parker of Richland, as well as nieces, nephews, other family members and friends.

The number of years God gave us with Wanda seemed short, but will give us memories to last for the rest of our days.

A funeral service was held at 2:00 p.m., Sunday, February 5, 2012 in the First Baptist Church of Richland with Rev. David Brown officiating. Drew Oursbourn gave the eulogy and also recalled loving memories about his beloved aunt. Special music selections include "How Great Thou Art" and "It Is Well with My Soul" by trumpet players Todd and Austin Walker with Janet Walker accompanying them on the piano, Steve Mino and Joseph Miller joined pianist/singer Missy Miller as they sang "The Prettiest Flowers" and "Knowing You'll Be There", ending with a congregational song "Ill Fly Away". Serving as pallbearers were James Ray, Michael Nickels, Mark Hedger, Charlie Firtts, Mark Schneider, Johnny Ray Prewett, Tommy Henson and Mark Tallant. Honorary escorts included Elvis Ogle, Billy Henson, Larry Alexander, Richard Newell, Dr. Art Bryant, David Phelps, James Mitschele, James Mitchell and Jerry George. Burial followed in the Hazelgreen Cemetery, Hazelgreen, Missouri. Services were under the direction of Memorial Chapel of Richland.

Previous Events

Service

FEB 5. 2:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church - Richland
101 N. Pine Street
Richland, MO

Tribute Wall



“ *Memorial Chapels and Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Wanda Lea (Boesl) Parker*



Memorial Chapels and Crematory - February 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Wanda Lea (Boesl) Parker*

January 28, 2023 at 06:53 AM



“ *So sorry for your loss, family and friends are in our prayers.##imported-begin##Esia Mann##imported-end##*

February 06, 2012 at 12:59 PM



“ *We just want to say that you all are in our thoughts and prayers. Sorry we were unable to attend. Love, Derick,Amber,Alyvia & Ava Gandy##imported-begin##Derick & Amber Gandy##imported-end##*

February 06, 2012 at 08:47 AM



“ Louie, I was so very sorry to hear from my mom and dad of your family's loss; Brent and I send our deepest condolences to your wonderful family and I am sorry we couldn't be there for you. God Bless...
##imported-begin##Carol Lastrapes Sadler##imported-end##

February 06, 2012 at 07:57 AM



“ Louie, Wilma, Doug and your entire family -- I am so sorry to hear about Wanda. I met Wanda about 25 years ago when I worked at the fort. Over the years we worked together, made flower arrangements, shared stories and had a lot of nice visits. I will surely miss Wanda's presence in my life. Praying for you.
##imported-begin##Sharon DuRossette##imported-end##

February 05, 2012 at 07:55 PM



“ I am so sorry to hear about Wanda. I just found out so I did not make it to the funeral. Please know the whole family will be in my thoughts and prayers.
##imported-begin##Tina Weber##imported-end##

February 05, 2012 at 06:16 PM



“ Dear Charla and family, So sorry to hear about your Mom. I didn't know her but my love, thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Your friend always, Sherri
##imported-begin##Sherri L Lauffer##imported-end##

February 05, 2012 at 04:38 PM



“ So sorry for your loss, Wanda was a wonderful person, You're in our thoughts and prayers.
Kenneth, Dalene McDaniel and Family##imported-begin##Dalene McDaniel##imported-end##

February 05, 2012 at 04:32 PM



“ Sorry for your loss. Wanda was a wonderful person and she will be missed. We are praying for you and your family. God's Blessings.##imported-begin##Don and Dottie (Taylor) Hutchison##imported-end##

February 05, 2012 at 10:55 AM



“ We are lifting all of you up before the Father. He has the power to comfort you as no other can. We are thrilled for Wanda, because she is no longer in pain or suffering. We grieve with you for your loss. She was one special lady, and she will be missed. May you truly be blessed by all who knew her, loved her, and love all of you.##imported-begin##Martin and Georgia White##imported-end##

February 04, 2012 at 09:53 PM



“ Louie, Our family sends our deepest condolences. It was always a pleasure to be in company. May she rest I peace. Joan and Larry Marks##imported-begin##Larry Marks##imported-end##

February 04, 2012 at 09:49 PM



“ *Louie and Family,*
We were so sorry to hear of Wanda's passing. She was one of the most kind and giving persons we ever met. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. God will carry you through this.##imported-begin##*Susan & David Martin*##imported-end##

February 04, 2012 at 08:12 PM



“ *Aunt Wanda was always there when I needed a friend. I will miss hear dearly.*##imported-begin##*Shon R. Jacoby Sr.*##imported-end##

February 04, 2012 at 08:11 AM



“ *Louid I am so sorry about your wife's passing - I recently lost my wife so I can understand your loss. My thoughts, prayers and sympathy are with you.*##imported-begin##*Bill Danek*##imported-end##

February 04, 2012 at 08:01 AM



“ Louie and girls, so sorry to hear of Wanda's passing. (Only last week did I hear of her illness.) We failed to keep in touch after no longer working together at 3d Tng Bde on Ft Leonard Wood. She was the most liked/loved civilian in the Brigade, always had a smile and knew the right things to say. She could be pretty funny sometimes too, which made work more fun. When I think of Wanda, I can not help but remember a time about 20 yrs ago when I went home with her from work and spent the night (don't remember the details as to why) but I do remember a RED refrigerator. She may no longer be around to make memories but her passing will never take the old ones away. I pray that you sink into the arms of God for comfort during this sorrowful time.

Janell & Don###imported-begin##Janell (Smith)
Mathews###imported-end##

February 04, 2012 at 01:19 AM



“ Louie, Charla, Kellie and Family,

Our thoughts and prayers will be with you during this time of sadness. Wanda's passing will be a loss to us all because she was truly a fine person. It's a shame we couldn't have spent more time together over the years but I feel fortunate for time we did share. Take care and may God bless you all.

Love Always,
Marcia & Bruce Gandy###imported-begin##Marcia & Bruce
Gandy###imported-end##

February 03, 2012 at 11:55 PM



“ *Louie and Family, Our thoughts and prayers go out to you at this sad time. Deepest sympathy from Illinois.##imported-begin##Scott and Linda Kraft and Marvin Peters##imported-end##*

February 03, 2012 at 09:37 PM



“ *How heartbreaking it is to everyone for the loss of such a wonderful and loving lady. She loved everyone and everyone loved her back. I wish we could have gotten to see her more than we did. But everybody here in Georgia sure looked forward to the time we could spend with her at the reunions and I know that was one of her passions as it was for my Mom and Uncle George. I know there is a hole in you all's heart that nobody can imagine the size of and the pain that goes with it. I know this from the loss of My son, Brandon, my Mom and Dad and even a brother at the tender age of 27. You just need to hold on to the great memories she gave you, and what a gift! I know you all wouldn't take anything for those and draw close to Jesus Christ as I feel that you always turn to Him through trials. Our family will be praying for you all through the time of your grief. One of the best medicines I got after Brandon passed was heart felt hugs. And people will definitely be there to supply them in your church especially. Just draw strength through them. And if I were able to be there with you I'd give you a very huge bear hug. But since I'm not my mind is in that mode right now. We love you all so very much and may God bless you all.##imported-begin##Mattie, Michael and Trey Royal (Earlene's daughter and grand-kids)##imported-end##*

February 03, 2012 at 05:02 PM



“ We are so sorry for your loss. Wanda was a very loving and kind person. She truly will be missed. We are grateful we had the pleasure of knowing her. We are sorry we cannot be there but our thoughts and prayers are with you all.##imported-begin##Jason and Brittany Gandy##imported-end##

February 03, 2012 at 04:40 PM



“ louie and girls.so sorry for your loss,know that my prayers are with you at this time of sorrow and that the lord will keep you in his arms. norma##imported-begin##norma[perkins]smith##imported-end##

February 03, 2012 at 03:56 PM



“ So sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this time. Please do not hesitate to call if you guys need anything, even just to talk. Much love always. ~David, Jennifer & Grady##imported-begin##David, Jennifer & Grady Spurlin##imported-end##

February 03, 2012 at 03:55 PM



“ We were so sorry to hear the sad news. Wanda was a wonderful lady & will be deeply missed. Just know our thoughts & prayers are with you all. We wish we could be there to support ya'll through this difficult time. Just know that our thoughts & prayers are with you all. We love you all.##imported-begin##Kim & Krista Williams##imported-end##

February 03, 2012 at 03:42 PM



“ Our thoughts are with you all. Wanda was a wonderful person who touched many. We are so sorry for your loss.##imported-begin##David and Debbie Hutton##imported-end##

February 03, 2012 at 01:32 PM



“ So Sorry our thoughts and prayers are with you all at this most difficult time. Wish we could be there to talk about all the good times and all the good memories we have - she was a wonderful person and will be missed by many.##imported-begin##Marvin & Cindy Spurlin##imported-end##

February 03, 2012 at 01:17 PM



“ Louie and girls; I am so sorry for your loss. Wanda was so good to my kids when she worked at the school. I always enjoyed visiting with her, and she always had a ready smile. My thoughts and prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Millie Howlett Brotherton##imported-end##

February 03, 2012 at 12:31 PM



“ Charlie, so sorry to hear about your loss. You and your family will be in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Bill Anderson##imported-end##

February 03, 2012 at 12:13 PM



“ *Louie and Family,*

I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your beloved wife, mother and grandmother. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. May memories of times with her warm your hearts and bring you comfort.

Marlene Engstrom##imported-begin##Marlene Engstrom##imported-end##

February 03, 2012 at 12:10 PM



“ *Wanda will be greatly missed by all, she was a very loving lady that made a difference in anyone's life that came into contact with her. I was truly blessed by knowing her.##imported-begin##Tony & Bobette (Gundram) Shaw##imported-end##*

February 03, 2012 at 12:09 PM



“ *Louie, Charla and Kellie,*
We deeply sorry for your loss. Wanda was person and she will be greatly missed in our community. We pray that our Father will give you all comfort, strength, and peace. Please let us know if you need anything.

The Tucker's##imported-begin##Jim Tucker##imported-end##

February 03, 2012 at 12:02 PM



“ *Louie and Family: We are so sorry to hear of Wanda's passing. She blessed us in so many ways when we all were part of Buckhorn Baptist. God bless you all in your time of need. Our sincere sympathy to you all.* *Michael and Jnice Minnich*”

February 03, 2012 at 11:19 AM



“ *Wanda was a dear highschool friend. My thoughts are with you in your loss.* *Pat Roam Mock*”

February 03, 2012 at 11:01 AM



“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Wanda was a sweet lady and she will be missed.* *Matt and Sara Evans*”

February 03, 2012 at 10:40 AM



“ *Louie and family,*

Our sincere sympathy to you and your family. All are in our hearts and prayers, but we know Wanda is with the Lord.

Jerry and Sheila Wiley *Jerry and Sheila Wiley*”

February 03, 2012 at 08:43 AM



“ Our family is deeply saddened to hear that our dear friend, Wanda Parker, passed away. We know she was promoted to Glory and will not suffer any longer. We look forward to seeing her in heaven. May God bless and comfort you all in your sorrow and grief. We love you all.

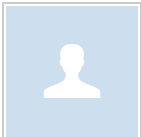
Lee and Wanda Todd Family##imported-begin##Lee & Wanda Todd family##imported-end##

February 03, 2012 at 06:01 AM



“ Louie, Wilma, and family...My condolences and thoughts are with you at this time. I too..have lost a sister and a spouse. Make God be with you during this time of sorrow. Patsy##imported-begin##Patricia Quesenberry/Hays##imported-end##

February 02, 2012 at 09:45 PM



“ Please accept our sincere condolences and loving thoughts as you grieve the loss of Wanda. We remember her gracious spirit and sweet attitude.

Becky Rollins Nickens and Mary Rollins##imported-begin##Becky (Rollins) Nickens##imported-end##

February 02, 2012 at 09:28 PM



“ Louie, Wilma, and all the family,

I am so sorry for your loss. I remember Wanda from way back at Independence Church when we were kids. I never heard anything but good about Wanda.

I know what it is to lose a mate and a sibling. I pray God will give you all comfort and strength now and in the future.

*Sincerely, Mary##imported-begin##Mary Drennan
Morgan##imported-end##*

February 02, 2012 at 09:12 PM



“ *I am unable to be at the services but I will be thinking of your and your family.*

God bless and keep you.

*Forever your friend, Connie##imported-begin##Connie Nickels
Simmons##imported-end##*

February 02, 2012 at 08:51 PM