



## Norman Harold "Bud" Parks Jr.

April 13, 1939 - April 18, 2025

### In Loving Memory

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It is with deep sorrow that we announce the passing of Norman Harold Parks Jr., affectionately known as Bud. He was a beloved husband, father, grandfather, and friend. Bud's warmth and generosity touched the lives of all who knew him, creating bonds that will last a lifetime. His spirit was a guiding light, and his laughter filled every room with joy. Bud passed away on April 18th, just five days after celebrating his 86th birthday.

Born on April 13, 1939, Bud built a life filled with love, laughter, and purpose. In 1958, he married the love of his life, Marcia, and together they settled in Rome, where they shared 66 wonderful years, raising a family and living life to the fullest.

Bud proudly worked for PennDOT for 30+ years. After retirement, he and Marcia spent time traveling in their motorhome, watching their grandkids' sporting events, and spending countless hours together on projects and crafts around their home. In his later years, Bud enjoyed wintering in Florida, where he loved catching up with friends on the patio. When back in Pennsylvania, he could often be found riding his zero-turn mower for hours or visiting neighbors around "the Hill" on his golf cart—always ready with a smile, a story, or a helping hand.

Bud is survived by his beautiful bride, Marcia, and their three children and

spouses: Mark and Candy Parks, Lisa and John Hutchinson, and Suzanne and Al Holbert. He was a proud grandfather to seven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren, known to all as Gpa: SaVannah and Craig Gardner, parents of Orissa, OnaLeigh, and Tripp; Melissa and Dale Symonds, parents of Dylan and Ashlynn; Nicole and Carl Mantanye; Jordan Parks, father of Huntlee and McKoy; Alycia and Matt Berstecher; Sabrina Hutchinson; and MaKaylah and Dan LeJedal, parents of Parker and Crue.

He was lovingly known to all of them not just for his “hugs and kisses,” but for his famous cookies—always bought with love and shared with joy.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Norman Harold Parks Sr. and Weltha Bidlack Parks, and his two brothers, Stanley Parks and Clarence “Joby” Parks.

As we celebrate his remarkable life, we remember the countless memories he created and the love he shared with family and friends. His legacy lives on in those he loved so dearly, and in the land, laughter, and memories he leaves behind.

The family will receive friends on Friday, April 25th from 2:00 to 3:00 PM at Rome Presbyterian Church, followed by a memorial service at 3:00 PM officiated by Rev. Dr. Karen Ballard. A meal and time of fellowship will follow the service. Memories and condolences may be expressed by visiting [www.bowenfuneralhomes.com](http://www.bowenfuneralhomes.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Rome Cemetery

Route 187  
Rome, PA 18837

# Previous Events

## Receive Friends

APR 25. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Rome Presbyterian Church  
Route 187  
Rome, PA 18837

## Service

APR 25. 3:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Norman Harold "Bud" Parks Jr..

April 24, 2025 at 07:16 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Norman Harold "Bud" Parks Jr..



April 24, 2025 at 07:16 AM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Norman Harold "Bud" Parks Jr..



April 22, 2025 at 05:58 PM

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“ To all the families of Bud and Marcia ...you have my most sincere condolences. I know you have very good and wonderful memories of your time with him to help you thru this time of sorrow. I've known all the original family for a lot of years and nothing but wonderful times of laughter and great fun at camping, traveling, and dancing at the Elks plus great times playing cards and games... love to all and remember it takes time to adjust to life without him by your side, but it's always in your heart. RIP. Bud



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**bernita rice** - April 22, 2025 at 11:04 AM

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“ Our deepest condolences! Hoping sweet memories help you through the days ahead. It was always a joy to see you at the campground in Chincoteague on our way to the OBX, Bless you all and sending lots of hugs.  
Elaine & Larry

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**Elaine** - April 22, 2025 at 07:22 AM

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“ Elaine & Larry lit a candle in memory of Norman Parks



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**Elaine & Larry** - April 22, 2025 at 07:18 AM



*\*Marcia, I was saddened to read of Bud's passing. Will happily remember him always calling me Smithy. My heartfelt sympathy to you and all your family.*

*Nancy Smith Hay*

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**Nancy Smith Hay** - April 23, 2025 at 07:55 AM