



## John B. Parrott

February 11, 1949 - March 27, 2018

Parrott, Mr. John B.  
Saginaw, Michigan

John passed away following a brief illness on Tuesday, March 27, 2018, at Covenant Medical Center-Cooper. Age 69 years. He was born on February 11, 1949, in Jackson, Michigan, to the late Bruce and Marcella Mae (Klein) Parrott. John served in the U. S. Air Force during the Vietnam War. He was married to Barbara L. Almy on September 11, 1993, in Rochester Hills, Michigan. She survives him.

Prior to his retirement, John served as Fire Chief for the Buena Vista Fire Department. His life in fire service began at birth as his father was in the fire service as well. John had worked in the Michigan communities of Kentwood, Three Rivers, Egleston, Cascade Township, and Rochester Hills. He was on numerous boards within the Fire Chiefs Associations. He was an instructor in fire service for Delta College, as well as the University of Michigan. He had many articles published in several fire prevention magazines. He also loved teaching and working with Mobile Medical Response after his fire department days were done. One of his later passions was working with many dog rescue groups in Michigan. He loved his fur babies. John also had a passion for amateur radio and was known to many as W8JP

Surviving besides his wife, Barb, are their children, Krystin (Kevin) Rowley, of

Melbourne, FL, Amanda Himmelspach and Berry (Jim Showalter), of Waterford, MI, Jocinda (Brian) Hirt, of Lake Orion, MI; grandchildren, Emma, Berry, Quinn, Kasey, and Elliott Hirt, and Meghan, Jenna, Kenneth, Clare, Allison, Jack, and Fulton Rowley.

Cremation has taken place. Please save the date of Saturday, September 8, 2018, for the Celebration of John's Life. The time and place will be announced later. Memories and sympathies of John may be shared with the family on his memorial website at [WakemanFuneralHome.com](http://WakemanFuneralHome.com)

# Tribute Wall



“ *John B. Parrott*

September 13, 2022 at 05:01 PM



“ *John B. Parrott*

September 13, 2022 at 02:27 PM



“ *SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS. MY FATHER WAS A FIREMAN, BRAVE MEN. THANK YOU MR. PARROTT FOR YOUR SERVICE IN THE MILITARY AND FIRE SERVICE.*

**JANICE MACE** - April 05, 2018 at 08:39 AM



“ *Barb, I am sorry to hear of John's passing. Prayers to you and the family.*

**Mark Walterhouse** - March 30, 2018 at 06:31 AM



“ *Barb, So sorry to hear about John. We could spend hours talking with him at the campground. Our prayers are with you both. Don and Kathy Hammond*

**Don and Kathy Hammond** - March 29, 2018 at 11:10 PM



“ *Barb, so sorry for your lost. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Kathy Spiller*

**Kathy Spiller** - March 29, 2018 at 10:51 PM

JP

“ *BARB:  
SO SORRY IT HAS HAPPENED, BUT IT IS THE BEST FOR  
JOHN, NO MORE SUFFERING OR PAIN. NO MATTER HOW  
LONG OR SHORT A TIME YOU KNOW A PERSON IT IS STILL A  
PERIOD OF GREEVING AND MISSING A PERSON THAT YOU  
LOVE,  
ANY THING WE CAN DO, PLEASE LET US KNOW. LOVE YA.  
JIM AND SHAON.*

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**JIM - SHARON PEQUIGNOT** - March 29, 2018 at 08:50 PM

KD

*Barb, I am so sorry for your loss. Take care of yourself. Kathy Spiller*

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**Kathy DpillSp** - March 29, 2018 at 10:46 PM

RC

“ *Barb. So sorry to hear of your loss. It was a pleasure working for  
John in Rochester Hills. Thoughts and prayers are with you and the  
family.*

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**Ron Crowell** - March 29, 2018 at 08:33 PM

LL

“ *Barb,  
Prayers and hugs on the loss of John. He was a friendly man and I  
lived camping with you at GCC.*

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**Linda LeCureux** - March 29, 2018 at 06:39 PM

WI


“ We have very fond memories of John from GCC. John, a very kind man. Always with smiling eyes and kind words. Great communicator, we loved John's stories. So very sorry for your loss. With our deepest heartfelt sympathies. Love Dave and. Lorraine



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**Williams** - March 29, 2018 at 06:16 PM

DD

“ Barb, sending very warm thoughts and Hugs to you. I have very good memories of John while we worked for MMR. Always positive and with a smile every day. Doing the daily runs, morning and afternoon and wishing each one a good weekend at the end of the week. He looked forward to the weekend to get away to your little place of paradise up north. His unwavering commitment to help furbabies to find their furever homes, in this area through local rescue groups. A very compassionate and humble soul who spoke very highly of his "Barb", who loved you so much. Whether it was your BD, Anniversary, Special Day or Holiday, he always put so much thought into his gift for you. Sometimes he would tell me what he was going to buy or what he already bought, and he was soo excited to see your reaction. Always remember John will always be a heartbeat within your .

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**Deb Wilkinson Dingman** - March 29, 2018 at 05:57 PM

DK

“ So sorry for your loss Barb my prayers are with you and your family. My memory of John is up north at Great Circle Campground in Higgins Lake how John and Barb would ride there golf car around the circles with there dogs. They would stop and visit people it sure were some great times back then. Sure missed them when they had to leave the campground because of work. And we had got a dog from them whose name was Charlos thank you for being great friends. RIP John

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**Dan Karp** - March 29, 2018 at 05:54 PM

SD

“ John was such a nice man. My late husband, Doug, thought highly of him. So sorry for your loss. I know he is up there with Doug sharing memories. God Bless you and your family, Barb. Love. Sandi Demuth

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**Sandi Demuth** - March 29, 2018 at 05:04 PM

CK

“ John was always there to help you no matter what the nee. A great friend and classmate of Jackson High's Class of 1967. Loved his big smile and warm hugs. You are a very special angel.

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**Christy Knox-Tripp** - March 29, 2018 at 04:52 PM

JK

“ Thoughts and prayers go out to Barb and the entire family. Have known John since our childhood days in Vanderbilt Lake. We shared interests in the fire service, camping and motorcycle's. Rest In Peace Brother, hold your own in those chiefs meetings with those that have gone before you!

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**James Kay** - March 29, 2018 at 03:41 PM

AC

“ Our condolences to you during this difficult time. Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers.

Amy Collings - March 29, 2018 at 02:50 PM



“ It breaks my heart to hear of Johns passing. John was a big part of my teenage years growing up in Cascade. I have great memories of those times. He will be greatly missed.

Stacey Marshall Fettig - March 29, 2018 at 01:27 PM

MT

“ We met John through GWRRA because of bike trouble. Did not know us however he and Barb offered us a place to stay while bike was being fixed. They were not even home just wonderful people and we considered him a friend . John will be deeply missed.

Maggie Thurston - March 29, 2018 at 01:25 PM