



## Avery Bland Parrish, Jr.

January 2, 1937 - November 21, 2020

Johnston, SC

Avery Parrish, Jr.

Avery Bland Parrish, Jr., 83, died Saturday, November 21, 2020 at his residence.

Born in Saluda County and a son of the late Avery Bland Parrish, Sr. and Sarah Elizabeth Powell Parrish, he was the husband of Raye Hyler Parrish. Mr. Parrish served in the South Carolina National Guard, 122nd Engineer Company in Saluda and was a cattle farmer and worked in Real Estate. He was a member of Richland Springs Baptist Church where he served as a deacon and as Chairman of the Board of Deacons, served on numerous church committees, and served on committees of the Ridge Baptist Association, as well as moderator.

Surviving are his wife, Raye Hyler Parrish, a daughter, Sandra Parrish of Atlanta, GA, five sisters, Sarah (Curtis) Johnson and Alice Parrish both of Ridge Spring, Gelilah (David) Barksdale of Beaver, WV, Doris (Perry) Shelley of Litchfield Beach and Kaye (Steve) Pazderski of Ward, as well as several nieces and nephews and great-nieces and -nephews.

Mr. Parrish was preceded in death by a brother and sister-in-law, Dock Lester Parrish and Peggy C. Parrish and a niece, Stephanie Meadows.

Funeral services will be held 11 a.m., Tuesday, November 24, 2020 at Richland Springs Baptist Church with Rev. Steve Jones officiating. Interment will follow at Saluda Memorial Gardens. The family will receive friends following the service at the graveside.

Memorials may be made to Richland Springs Baptist Church, 1895 Duncan Road, Ward, SC 29138.

# Cemetery

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## Saluda Memorial Gardens

610 Richland Creek Road  
Ward, SC, 29166

# Events

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**NOV**  
**24**

**Funeral**

11:00AM

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Richland Springs Baptist Church  
1895 Duncan Road, Ward, SC, US, 29166

# Comments

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“ My deepest sympathy to Raye, Sandra, and all of the Parrish family. Sport Salter

**Carroll L Salter** - November 25, 2020 at 12:29 AM

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“ My condolences to Sandra (my colleague) and all the family of Mr. Parrish. May God comfort you and give you peace during this time.

"For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him."

1 Thess 4:14

Lora Darrisaw



**Lora** - November 24, 2020 at 10:13 AM

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“ Avery was an amazing man and told equally amazing stories about his life and adventures. I will hold and cherish all the memories with me forever! May God grant peace to Raye, Sandra, and the entire family. I love you all very much!  
Love,  
Amanda

**Amanda Alexander** - November 23, 2020 at 06:34 PM

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“ Thinking of you all at this time. Prayers for comfort.

**Melvin & Alice Derrick** - November 23, 2020 at 07:11 AM

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“ Joyce Rude lit a candle in memory of Avery Bland Parrish, Jr.



**Joyce Rude** - November 22, 2020 at 08:30 PM

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“ “I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die.”

May the comfort of our Lord embrace you all in this time of grief.

**Calvin Knox** - November 22, 2020 at 02:13 PM



“ I just heard of Avery's passing. He was such a wonderful person and lived a true example of the Christian faith. I recall many good laughs and stories through the years as our families visited. My thoughts and prayers are with Raye, Sandra and family. Love you all.

Lisa Miller Hughes

**Lisa Milker Hughes** - November 25, 2020 at 01:57 PM

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“ Raye, Sandra and all of family, Avery was very dear to us. I always consider him as a brother that I did not have and I always consider myself as a part of their family. I did not get to see him as much as I would like but Raye and Avery were always in our hearts. Julian always said that Avery was a Prince of a man, and you do not see many like Avery in his caring, compassion, and loving ways. We will miss him but someday we will have lunch around the Lord table with all of the family. With our love always in prayer and thoughts and Avery is safe in the arms of our Savior without pain.

**Frances & Julian Johnson** - November 22, 2020 at 12:55 PM

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“ I've known Mr. Avery my entire life. He and my father were very close and was often referred to as the brother my Dad never had. He truly was a good man and a blessing to my Dad and our entire family. Most certainly one of God's precious gifts and I along with all the Lander family will continue to pray for Mrs. Raye and Sandra. My deepest sympathies, Jeff Lander

**Jeff Lander** - November 22, 2020 at 11:07 AM

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“ Raye, Stephanie, Sarah and the rest of the family. I am so sorry for your loss. Avery is resting safely in the arms of our Lord Jesus Christ. God will sustain you and give you strength and peace in the coming days.

**Gloria Mitchell** - November 22, 2020 at 10:29 AM



“ Dear Raye, Sandra I am sorry for your loss. I lift up prayers and love for you as you go through this time of sadness and pain. I will always remember Avery's kindness, his sweet smile and his joy in sharing the love of his family and the love of our Father God with others.

Blessings and Prayers,

Clara Scott

**Clara Scott** - November 23, 2020 at 10:03 AM