



Adrian (Big Abe) Parris

May 6, 1939 - November 5, 2010

ADRIAN (BIG ABE) EUGENE PARRIS

Adrian (Big Abe) Eugene Parris, 71 of Kansas City, Kansas, died November 5, 2010 at Providence Medical Center.

Adrian was born on May 6, 1939 in Jefferson City, Missouri. He was the oldest son of Eugene T. and Marie (Adrian) Parris. He was preceded in death by his mother, father and brother, Robert Parris, and survived by siblings Tommy, Jerry, Johnny, Jimmy, Shirley Gerling, Karen Gerling, and Debbie Crede. He is the husband of Pamela Sue (Williams) Parris. He is survived by eight children: Carolyn (Jim) McCarthy, Darryl (Kendra) Parris, Becky Tubbs, Mary (Sammy) Vavricek, Curtis (Andrea) Parris, Luke (Morgan) Parris, Adam Parris, Megan Parris, and twelve grandchildren: Seamus McCarthy, Maura McCarthy, Sean McCarthy, Katy, Emma, Jay Vavricek, Dustin, Johnny, Cole Tubbs, Caleb, Isabella Parris and Braxton Parris.

Adrian was a police officer for 17 years, and then worked as a plant supervisor at Kaw River Shredding Company for 18 years. He enjoyed a part time job after his retirement back at KCKPD with his close friends. He loved John Deere tractors, camping, raising cattle, and spending time with his family. Visitation will be held at Maple Hill Funeral Home, Tuesday November 9, 2010, from 5-8pm. There will be a prayer said at 6pm. Funeral will be Wednesday at 10am. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to MOCSA, and sent in care to Maple Hill Funeral Home, 3300 Shawnee Dr. Kansas City, KS 66106. Please visit Abe's memorial website at www.maplehillfh.com

Cemetery Details

Maple Hill Cemetery

2301 S 34th St
Kansas City, KS 66106
(913) 262-6610
info@maplehillfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **9**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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Service

NOV **10**. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Maple Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery created a Tribute Video in memory of Adrian (Big Abe) Parris*



Maple Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery - November 05, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Adrian (Big Abe) Parris*

October 08, 2023 at 10:59 AM



“ *Adrian (Big Abe) Parris*

September 17, 2022 at 08:24 PM



“ *Brenda Ellis Reis lit a candle in memory of Adrian (Big Abe) Parris*



Brenda Ellis Reis - November 11, 2010 at 11:30 PM



I haven't seen my cousin for awhile but he's someone that made a big impression upon me as a little girl and Aunt Lucille my mother loved him and all of the Parris boys dearly.

Brenda Ellis Reis - November 11, 2010 at 11:34 PM

JF

“ *Thinking of you all during this difficult time. I am praying for God's comfort for you. Much love, cousin, Julie and family*

Julie Fielder - November 11, 2010 at 10:11 PM



Carolyn
McCarthy

“ *My dad was a strong pillar. He kept our family strong and was a beacon of strength for the community. I was in awe of how many people came to the viewing and funeral. I am so proud to be his oldest daughter and to have shared his life. Thank you to all who came to help send off my daddy to his new home up in heaven. We appreciate your love and support.
Carolyn Parris McCarthy*

Carolyn McCarthy - November 11, 2010 at 09:05 AM

MB

“ *The Helias Class of 1957 would like to extend it sorrow over the loss of our classmate Adrian Parris. Our thoughts and prays are with the family at this time.*



Mike Brettschneider - November 10, 2010 at 07:09 PM

LF

“ *Linda Stan Freeman lit a candle in memory of Adrian (Big Abe) Parris*



Linda Stan Freeman - November 10, 2010 at 11:13 AM

MW

“ *Adrian will be greatly missed by so many people. Those of us that knew him, loved "his stories" and his little prank jokes he liked to play. He was a very loving and giving man. I pray for his family. We love you all and so sorry for your loss and "our" loss. God Bless you all!!!! I love you all lots!!! Marcia*

Marcia Waters - November 09, 2010 at 08:59 PM

MW

“ *Marcia Waters lit a candle in memory of Adrian (Big Abe) Parris*



Marcia Waters - November 09, 2010 at 08:54 PM

CH

“ I am so sad to hear about Abe. My heart breaks for his family and friends. I remember him, I dont think I have seen him in over 25 years, but I will never forget him. This is a really great picture of him, exactly how I remember him. My dad, Doug Bunch, passed away in 1983. He and Abe were police officers together at KCKPD along with Jim Rose, Rusty James and several others who were all very close friends. Abe was so funny! and so huggable, sweet and thoughtful and caring. The night my dad died while on duty, Abe came to the house and told my mom, Pat Bunch, what happened and gave mom and I and my 2 sisters, Kim and Debbie a ride to the hospital to say goodbye. I remember him being so upset and making sure that mom was ok. Anytime I hear his name it makes me smile. I will remember him that way forever. I am very sorry for your loss and please know that you are all in my thoughts and prayers!
Love,
Cindy Bunch

Cindy Herrin - November 09, 2010 at 12:22 PM

CM

“ Chuck Morris lit a candle in memory of Adrian (Big Abe) Parris



Chuck Morris - November 09, 2010 at 11:40 AM

TH

“ Teri Huggins lit a candle in memory of Adrian
(Big Abe) Parris



Teri Huggins - November 09, 2010 at 10:07 AM

RA

“ Ric Alvarado lit a candle in memory of Adrian
(Big Abe) Parris



Ric Alvarado - November 09, 2010 at 09:21 AM

CA

“ Courtney Albertson lit a candle in memory of
Adrian (Big Abe) Parris



Courtney Albertson - November 09, 2010 at 12:46 AM

JB

“ Julie Berry-buxton lit a candle in memory of
Adrian (Big Abe) Parris



Julie Berry-buxton - November 09, 2010 at 12:39 AM

JB

Even though I only knew Abe for a short time he had everlasting effect on my life!! He will be missed!

Julie Berry-buxton - November 09, 2010 at 12:40 AM

SP

“ *"Our favorite memories of Adrian" from Julie and Adam Parris and Aunt Marilyn*
Special memory from Julie: "When we came to Missouri to visit, I was so young, but I still remember Adrian rescuing me from the bunk bed ...LOL...I crawled up there and was scared to come down and he got me down."

From Aunt Marilyn: " There are so many special memories of all the years coming to Missouri of Adrian and all the family. Sending our deepest sympathy to all of you. Julie @ Adam Parris and Aunt Marilyn



Suzanne Parris - November 08, 2010 at 08:34 PM

SP

“ “To Adrian's brothers and sisters...my cousins."....

"My Brother"

My Brother, Where did he go? Everywhere, everywhere

As I feel the wind blow through my hair

It will be you....everywhere, everywhere

And I will smile, always

When I'm walking alone

I will see a bird

It will be you

A strong Eagle gliding along

It will be you watching over me

And I will smile, always

I will see a bright light

Only I will see it

It will be you

Telling me everything is alright

And I will smile, always

As I sit on the shore making pictures in the sand

I will feel you guiding me with your warm hand

Guiding my hand making sketches of our lives together

I will remember all of these forever

And I will smile, always

As the water washes away the sand

The sketches will remain

For nothing can ever wash away

The memories I have today

of "My Brother"

And I will smile, always.....

Suzanne Parris - November 08, 2010 at 08:05 PM

SP

“ Suzanne Parris lit a candle in memory of Adrian (Big Abe) Parris



Suzanne Parris - November 08, 2010 at 07:46 PM

SP

“ My memories with my cousin Adrian go way back from when I was a child. Even though we lived far away and only visited once a year, that once a year turned into the most cherished years with Adrian and his 8 other brothers and sisters....all my cousins. All 16 of us around the dining room table passing around huge bowls of mashed potatoes and other delicious food and most of all cherished family love. I remember Adrian standing at the top of the stairway. He had this sword and he would show me these moves he did with it..... I would squeel and he would giggle and laugh. It was so shiny and I thought it was so cool. And then we all went swimming at the cabin at the Ozarks and those memories are cherished in my mind . My deepest of sympathy to all the family. Your cousin Suzie Parris

Suzanne Parris - November 08, 2010 at 07:45 PM

CD

“ Chris Draves lit a candle in memory of Adrian (Big Abe) Parris



Chris Draves - November 08, 2010 at 07:07 PM

JF

“ *Jim And Family lit a candle in memory of Adrian (Big Abe) Parris*



Jim and Family - November 08, 2010 at 09:38 AM

JF

Just proud to say I knew Abe, worked with him an he was always a friend and the life of the party.
Jim Ramey

Jim and Family - November 08, 2010 at 09:44 AM

LP

“ *My condolences to Abe's family. I appreciated that he got us work at Kaw river Shredding.*
He'll be missed.

Loren Plumbing - November 08, 2010 at 08:48 AM

DP

“ *Doug, Haley ~ Parris lit a candle in memory of Adrian (Big Abe) Parris*



Doug, Haley ~ Parris - November 08, 2010 at 08:26 AM

DP

To the entire family of Adrian, thinking of all of you at this time with lots love...Doug, Susie, Haley

Doug, Haley ~ Parris - November 08, 2010 at 08:30 AM

CH

“ *Cliff and I were just talking about how we missed being neighbors with you all. Abe was always there to lend a hand and always had funny stories to tell. He will be missed by many.*

Cliff Lara Hedges - November 08, 2010 at 08:21 AM

Adam Whitham

“ *Adam Whitham lit a candle in memory of Adrian (Big Abe) Parris*



Adam Whitham - November 08, 2010 at 12:01 AM

PP

“ *To Big Abe - what an honor it is to be among those who were the lucky folks to have known and shared time with you; a great man, father and grandfather. We are proud to have known you and your family as friends. We will sincerely miss your endless humor.*

Paul Joyce Pack - November 07, 2010 at 09:08 PM

BF

“ *My boss and Mentor for many years, Big Abe was Awesome!! What a personality. I will miss him very much. My condolences to his Family*



Bigfoot and Family - November 07, 2010 at 07:49 PM



“ He reminded me a lot of my Grandpa... his size probably had a lot to do with that!!! :o) He will be missed.

Terra Adrian - November 07, 2010 at 06:07 PM



“ Terra Adrian lit a candle in memory of Adrian (Big Abe) Parris



Terra Adrian - November 07, 2010 at 06:04 PM



“ To Debbie Crede: My condolences to you and your entire family.

Linda Trippensee - November 07, 2010 at 04:57 PM



“ Tony Onna Adrian lit a candle in memory of Adrian (Big Abe) Parris



Tony Onna Adrian - November 07, 2010 at 04:19 PM



“ Carolyn Seamus Maura And Sean lit a candle in memory of Adrian (Big Abe) Parris



Carolyn Seamus Maura and Sean - November 07, 2010 at 11:40 AM

MN

“ *Michael Patricha Parris, Norman,ok lit a candle in memory of Adrian (Big Abe) Parris*



michael patricha parris, norman,ok - November 07, 2010 at 06:31 AM

PF

“ *Patti & Family lit a candle in memory of Adrian (Big Abe) Parris*



Patti & family - November 07, 2010 at 03:25 AM

VW

“ *He was a giant of a man with an even bigger heart. Always thinking of others. Always there to make you laugh. Always full of stories and advice. Will be missed so much but so glad for all of the memories. I am very proud to be his sister in law.*

Vicki Williams - November 07, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ *I love u dad!! And miss u too!!*



Megan Parris - November 06, 2010 at 09:59 PM