



## Elroy Parks

April 12, 1944 - April 30, 2020

A celebration of the life of Elroy Parks (Baba), 76, of Lubbock, Texas will be held at 11:00 AM Saturday, May 9, 2020 in Sanders Memorial Chapel, with the Reverend Darell Smith officiating. The viewing will be held from 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM Friday, May 8th, 2020 at Sanders Funeral Home. To maintain a safe come and go viewing, we ask to limit groups to three or less. Lillie Parks invites you to celebrate the life of her beloved husband Elroy by visiting [www.sandersfuneralhome.com](http://www.sandersfuneralhome.com). A webcast of services will be available as well as our online guest book.

Elroy transitioned into eternity on April 30, 2020. He was born on April 12, 1944 in Lubbock, TX to Wade and Lillie Parks. As a youth, Elroy participated in the Boys and Girls Club of Lubbock and attended Dunbar High School, but graduated from Booker T. Washington in Elgin, TX in 1963, where he met his first wife, Alice. Returning to Lubbock, Elroy eventually began working at Frito Lay in 1969 where he met his forever wife Lillie Mae Hornsby. Elroy excelled working as a loader and a driver before being promoted to Lead-man, Dock Foreman, Supervisor and ended his tenure as a Shipping Manager. Elroy and Lillie joined in matrimony on November 2, 1992. The Parks' family were no strangers to entrepreneurship. In the early 1940s elder Wade Parks cleared land to build homes in East Lubbock. Following in his footsteps, Elroy refurbished Frito Lay product carts after retiring. He also owned a beauty supply shop and maintained multiple rental homes. Elroy loved fishing,

hunting, westerns, fast cars, and serving as a caregiver to his family and friends.

He leaves behind his loving wife of 28 years, Lillie Parks; three sons, Paul Parks, Maurice Pearson, and Jasone Pearson; 2 daughters, Lisa Parks Gregory and Krishunna Smith; (12) grandchildren and (2) great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Wade and Lillie Parks; a sister Mary Glenn Parks Milligan (Big Cat), and a brother Floydell (Floyd) Parks.

# Cemetery Details

## Miller Crematory

202 Avenue Q  
Lubbock, TX 79415

# Previous Events

## Viewing

MAY 8. 9:00 AM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Sanders Funeral Home  
1420 Main Street  
Lubbock, TX 79401  
(806) 763-6433  
director@sandersfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.sandersfuneralhome.com>

## Memorial Service

MAY 9. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Sanders Memorial Chapel  
1420 Main Street  
Lubbock, TX 79401

# Tribute Wall



“ Sanders Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Elroy Parks



Sanders Funeral Home - May 09, 2020 at 09:48 AM

HM

*Family. thanks for sharing this service with us. We are praying with and for you. Helen Sue Scott Murrell*

Helen (Sue) Scott Murrell - May 09, 2020 at 01:09 PM

JB

*Bay Bay, thank you for always showing so much love, encouragement and support to everyone in the family. We send our love and prayers. Jenee, Janice, Eric, Del, Micah, Stephannie*

Jenee Jones Boyd - May 09, 2020 at 02:08 PM

JH

*I just want to give homage to you, more like a brother a blessing to our family. We thank God but blessed us with your presence. Truly miss until God called each and everyone of us home, love you always*

Johnie Harris - May 10, 2020 at 02:43 PM

LA

*My deepest condolences to the family I love you guys Elroy and I called each other brothers because of our life long friendship I will miss you my brother thanks for all the good times and great memories until we meet again God Bless*

L.C. Alexander - May 11, 2020 at 07:28 PM



“ Sanders Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Elroy Parks



Sanders Funeral Home - May 06, 2020 at 12:20 PM

JB

*Lillie this Jimmie Billington (Big Red) Elroy was my bosc at Frito Lay for 18 years he is still the best Bosc I had good wishes God bless you*

Jimmie Billington - May 06, 2020 at 06:05 PM

LP

*THANKS JIMMIE FOR YOUR COMMENT. HE WAS ALSO THE BEST BOSS I EVER HAD. I WILL MISS HIM.....*

LILLIE PARKS - May 07, 2020 at 07:50 AM

NA

*Praying for you and your family.*

Natalie Anderson - May 07, 2020 at 11:30 PM

TS

*So long baybay, Your cousin Tommy Scott. Love you and miss you*

Tom Scott - May 08, 2020 at 04:04 PM

HM

*God bless you family. I We saw him last at our brother's funeral, Clyde Scott, in Dallas. We grew up together as first cousins in Lubbock. We are the same age. Love you and send our prayers. Rev. C. C. & Helen (Sue) Scott Murrell, DeSoto, TX.*

Helen (Sue) Scott Murrell - May 08, 2020 at 09:01 PM

SJ

*I'm saddened by Elroy's passing but I can truly say that I'm honored to have met him because he played a major part of my career development and became a true friend. He was somebody who took me under his wings and taught me a lot during a critical time of my life; job, family, friends & business. I believe God's plan for me put me in Lubbock, TX for those reasons. Elroy's job success taught me that not only did you have to be a top performer you also had to manage the politics. Lillie you taught me everything I needed to know about Quality Control and having the drive to put in the extra time to pursue your passion. I told Elroy that his VIP status opened doors for me. A VP stopped me at Frito-Lay Hdqtrs and thanked me for attending his retirement. My first job as a Director at Dean Foods, the Regional Director of HR in Virginia saw that I worked for Frito-Lay Lubbock and asked me if I knew Elroy. I got the job! My happiest time with you both was here in Houston at the Galleria. I thank God for Elroy's life and all the fond memories. Take care and be blessed.*

*Stanley Johnwell*

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**Stanley Johnwell** - May 09, 2020 at 05:55 AM

LP

*Thank you Stanley, Elroy loved you. God Bless*

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**Lillie Parks** - May 09, 2020 at 06:40 AM

CG

*My sincere condolences to the family.*

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**Cheryl Garcia** - May 23, 2020 at 11:25 PM

JM

“*Uncle Bay Bay you will be missed! I'll never forget all the vacations, laughs, and fast drives with you! Love Jessie, Noble, and Nyles.*”



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**Jessica Mitchell** - May 09, 2020 at 12:05 AM

RD

“ Elroy was my neighbor who lived around the corner from me, so I drove by his house every morning. Great neighbors, great guy! Just as friendly and good as could be! I was shocked and saddened to see he had passed. I will sure miss coming around the corner now and not seeing my friend. Heaven received another piece of the puzzle.

*Randy and Tara Davis*

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**Randy Davis** - May 08, 2020 at 03:08 PM

PK

“ I am very shocked and saddened by this news. I was Elroy's neighbor for many years. He was pure class. He often shared equipment and help. Please let his grandchildren know that he was a wonderful man.

*Prayers for the family!*

*Patrick and Carol Kitten (and Zeus)*

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**Patrick Kitten** - May 08, 2020 at 01:03 PM

WM

“ Our deepest condolences to the Parks family. May Elroy's kindness and genuine spirit be a legacy to continue through the lives of his family and friends. He will always be remembered as the rock of the family. William C. and Joyce McCollough

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**William McCollough** - May 08, 2020 at 11:26 AM

EB

“ Great guy, big heart! Elroy RIP. Prayers now for his family.

*Ed Billick  
Charlotte, NC*

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**Ed Billick** - May 08, 2020 at 07:09 AM

TH

“ *Uncle Elroy was an amazing man. Father figure, uncle, and friend. He was so loving and caring for his family. We had a lot of good memories that we shared often. He will truly be missed. Gone too soon but will never be forgotten. Praying with the entire family. Rest in heaven with mama, daddy, and Floyd Jr.*



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**Tracy Hawkins** - May 07, 2020 at 11:30 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Elroy Parks.*



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May 07, 2020 at 11:12 PM

MS

“ Lillie  
*My heart breaks to hear of Elroy's passing. Please accept my condolences . Elroy was the reason for so many peoples success that came thru the Lubbock Frito Lay plant, including mine. He was a great friend and mentor to me and many others.*

*Maur Strathman*

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**Maur Strathman** - May 07, 2020 at 09:49 PM

MT

“ *I worked with Elroy at Frito-lay for many years. RIP Elroy. You were a great person. Prayers for you Lillie.*

*Marsha Thompson*

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**Marsha Thompson** - May 07, 2020 at 06:57 PM

JS

“ *Janice , Delcass'e, Jene'e , Micah, Stephannie purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Elroy Parks.*



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**Janice , Delcass'e, Jene'e , Micah, Stephannie** - May 07, 2020 at 05:46 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Elroy Parks.*



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May 07, 2020 at 02:16 PM

SL

“ *Lillie... Parks was truly a wonderful caring person. He always came by to visit with Eddie and I. He had a sense of humor that could not be matched. We will truly truly miss him. Eddie and Shawneequa Love*



Shawneequa Love - May 07, 2020 at 12:12 PM

RW

“ *Elroy was a long time customer, but also a friend. Always enjoyed visiting with him when he came in. Randy Weaver, Texas Battery*

Randy Weaver - May 07, 2020 at 09:13 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Elroy Parks.*



May 06, 2020 at 11:11 PM



“ *Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Elroy Parks.*



May 06, 2020 at 04:17 PM

CV

“ Dear Lillie:

*I love the pic of you and Uncle Bay Bay from our wedding! It will always be a special memory that he served as Malfords Best Man which he truly is!!!*

*Love and prayers,*

*Cherry and Vickie Milligan*



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**Cherry and Vickieilligan** - May 06, 2020 at 02:33 PM

LP

*THANKS CHERRY/VICKIE. YOUR WEDDING WAS A BEAUTIFUL EVENT. ELROY WAS HONORED TO BE YOUR BEST MAN. WE TRULY LOVED THE WEDDING. WE HAD THE BEST TIME. WE SPOKE OF IT OFTEN.*

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**LILLIE PARKS** - May 07, 2020 at 07:57 AM

AP

*Lillie, I'm so sorry to hear of Elroy's passing. I will be praying for God's comfort for you and your family. I love and miss you. Andrea Price*

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**Andrea Price** - May 07, 2020 at 11:31 PM

LP

*Thanks Andrea, I love and miss you too. God Bless*

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**Lillie Parks** - May 09, 2020 at 06:47 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Elroy Parks.*



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May 06, 2020 at 02:32 PM



“ *Thanks to Uncle Bay Bay for setting the stage for our wedding. What a joyous and happy time to see him smile and laugh and cry. Malford loves you so much. Prayers to Lillie and the family. We will miss him dearly.*

*Love,*

*Cherry and Vickie Milligan*

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**Vickie Milam-Milligan** - May 06, 2020 at 02:26 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Elroy Parks.*



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May 06, 2020 at 02:15 PM



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Sanders Funeral Home - May 06, 2020 at 12:11 PM

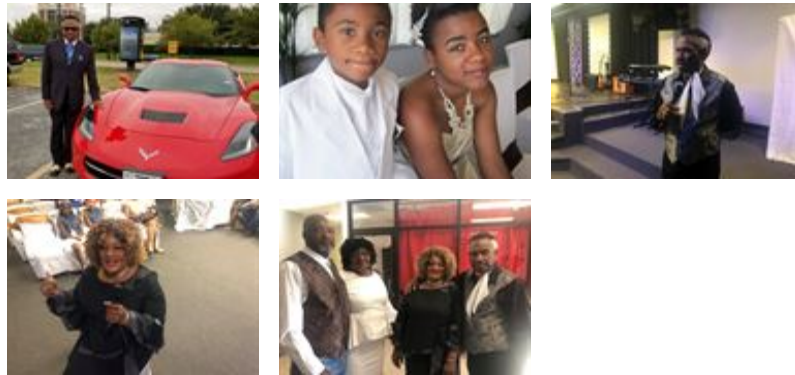
LP

*My husband has always been a great dancer. I will miss him dearly*

Lillie Parks - May 09, 2020 at 06:49 AM



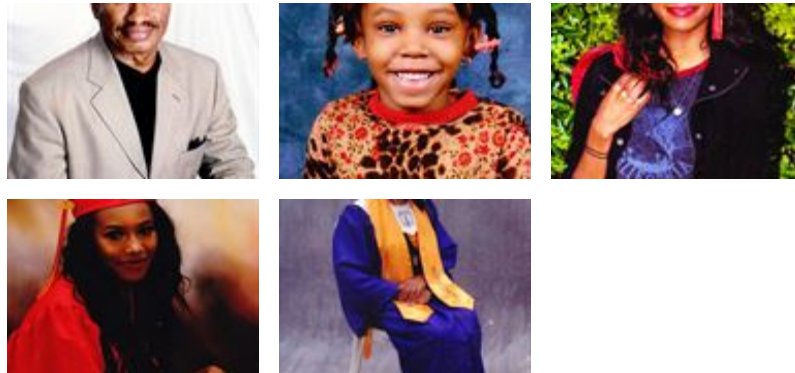
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Sanders Funeral Home - May 06, 2020 at 10:42 AM



“ 46 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Sanders Funeral Home - May 06, 2020 at 07:35 AM



“ 7 files added to the album *Memories Album*



Kris Smith - May 05, 2020 at 05:40 PM



“ *Mark, Tasha, Paulette & Mary Alice purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Elroy Parks.*



Mark, Tasha, Paulette & Mary Alice - May 05, 2020 at 05:00 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Elroy Parks.*



May 05, 2020 at 03:39 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Elroy Parks.*



May 05, 2020 at 02:32 PM



“ *How I want to remember my dad*



**Jason Pearson** - May 05, 2020 at 02:04 PM



“ *You will be greatly missed Elroy! Great family man, great customer, great friend!*  
~Gary Hays



**Gary Hays** - May 05, 2020 at 12:14 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Elroy Parks.* ”



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May 05, 2020 at 11:59 AM