



JAMES K. PARKIN

September 30, 1942 - September 4, 2024

James Kearney Parkin, known affectionately as Jim to his friends and family, passed away peacefully on September 4, 2024, in Big Stone Gap, after a period of long-term mental decline. Born on September 30, 1942, in Boston, Massachusetts, Jim was a man of courage and gentleness, whose presence brought warmth and comfort to all who knew him.

Jim's early years were spent in Boston where he was raised with a deep sense of patriotism and duty, which later led him to serve his country in the U.S. Navy. His service was characterized by the honor and valor that would come to define much of his life's journey. Upon his return from service, Jim carried with him the discipline and camaraderie that he had learned, and these traits became cornerstones of his character throughout his life.

After his military service, Jim's career path took him through various roles where he was always known to be a dependable and dedicated worker. His colleagues respected him for his integrity and his willingness to lend a helping hand whenever needed. Jim's involvement in numerous associations highlighted his commitment to service and community, always striving to make a positive impact on those around him.

Preceded in death by his father, John William Parkin, and mother, Adeline Kearney Parkin, Sister Virginia Parkin Nicholson McGrath.

The local veteran's office, the Kingston Center, and Heritage Hall of Big Stone Gap all took exceptional care of James.

The family will receive friends on Friday, September 6, 2024, from 11:00 a.m. to 11:30 at Holding Funeral Home of Big Stone gap VA. (17 E. 3rd St. N. Big Stone Gap), for the visitation.

His committal service will be held following in Riverview Cemetery officiated by Rev. Layton Bentley.

Family and friends will serve as pallbearers.

May he rest in peace, knowing that his legacy will live on in the hearts of those he leaves behind.

An online register is available for the family at www.holdingfuneralhome.com

Holding Funeral Home is honored to serve the Mr. Parkin