



## Dr. John Frederic Parrish

January 14, 1943 - July 7, 2023

Dr. John F. Parrish, 80, of Houston, Texas, passed away peacefully on Friday, July 07, 2023.

John was born to George Theodor Parrish and Frances Emma Kneip Parrish on January 14, 1943, in Wilmar, CA. He graduated in 1961 from Buena Park High School, California. From 1959-1964 he appeared on a ballroom dancing tv show, surfed, and tried his hand at acting before completing his BS degree at Loyola Marymount University of Los Angeles, CA in 1965. He moved to Massachusetts and completed both a Masters and PhD, in physics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, graduating in 1970. After graduation, he married Donna Maria Connolly and moved to Houston where he spent 30 years at Shell Oil as a Geophysicist. He holds multiple patents. Outside of work, John was active as a volunteer in Scouts, Civil Air Patrol, Knights of Columbus and other church groups. After retirement, he maintained Periseis Company, a Geophysical consulting practice, was elected to serve on the Municipal Utility District for over 20 years, and taught physics at Lone Star College for several years until 2022. John and Donna Parrish enjoyed more than 53 years of marriage together.

John is survived by his wife, Donna; his daughter Stephanie Snyder her husband Tom Snyder, and his son Colin Parrish and wife Anneliese Vogel; his 4 grandchildren, Alexander Snyder, Colin Parrish, II, Miles Parrish, and Harper

Parrish; and by his brother, Richard Parrish of Garden Grove, CA.

The family will be available to receive guests for a visitation on Monday, July 17, 2023 beginning at 6:00 PM at Dettling Funeral Home, 14094 Memorial Drive, Houston TX 77079, with a Holy Rosary to be performed at 7:00 PM. The Funeral Mass will be held on Tuesday, July 18, 2023 at 2:00 PM at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, 6646 Addicks Satsuma Rd, Houston, TX 77084. An additional Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Thursday, July 20, 2023 at 10:30 AM at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 304 W San Antonio St, Fredericksburg TX 78624, with a Holy Rosary to precede at 10:00 AM. The Rite of Committal will commence following the Mass at St. Mary's Cemetery, with a reception to follow at the Church's Parish Hall.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 17. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Dettling Funeral Home  
14094 Memorial Drive  
Houston, TX 77079  
(281) 497-2121  
david@dettlingfuneral.com

## Rosary

JUL 17. 7:00 PM (CT)

Dettling Funeral Home  
14094 Memorial Drive  
Houston, TX 77079  
(281) 497-2121  
david@dettlingfuneral.com

## Funeral Mass

JUL 18. 2:00 PM (CT)

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church  
6646 Addicks Satsuma  
Houston, TX 77084

## **Rosary**

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JUL 20. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church  
304 W San Antonio St  
Fredericksburg, TX 78624

## **Mass Of Christian Burial**

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JUL 20. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church  
304 W San Antonio St  
Fredericksburg, TX 78624

## **Rite of Committal**

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JUL 20.

St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery  
Fredericksburg, TX

# Tribute Wall



“ *Dr. John Frederic Parrish*

October 08, 2023 at 10:52 AM



“ *Dr. John Frederic Parrish*

October 06, 2023 at 01:12 AM



“ *Dr. John Frederic Parrish*

October 05, 2023 at 09:45 AM



“ *Dr. John Frederic Parrish*

October 05, 2023 at 01:54 AM



“ *Joe and Dianna Gittelman purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Dr. John Frederic Parrish.*



**Joe and Dianna Gittelman** - July 17, 2023 at 06:06 PM



“ *Joe and Dianna Gittelman planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dr. John Frederic Parrish.*

**Joe and Dianna Gittelman** - July 17, 2023 at 06:06 PM

EH

“ Let me express my deepest sympathy to John's family for their loss. Donna; I lost Annette four years ago. I feel your pain, and I look forward to seeing you this evening. John's roommate, MIT Graduate House, Room 523.

*Ed Hrkel*

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**Ed Hrkel** - July 17, 2023 at 04:57 PM

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“ Tim McGruder purchased the Joyful Memory for the family of Dr. John Frederic Parrish.



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**Tim McGruder** - July 17, 2023 at 01:14 PM

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“ Tim McGruder planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dr. John Frederic Parrish.

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**Tim McGruder** - July 17, 2023 at 01:14 PM

IW

“ I would like to share my thoughts and prayers to the family and express my gratitude for being allowed to be a part of Dr. Parrish caring team. Being there I saw the undying love the family has for each other and it is beautiful. *Ikie Washington-Cofield*

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**Ikie Washington-Cofield** - July 17, 2023 at 09:47 AM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dr. John Frederic Parrish.



July 14, 2023 at 08:36 AM



“ Eric M. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dr. John Frederic Parrish.

Eric M. - July 13, 2023 at 06:35 PM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dr. John Frederic Parrish.



July 13, 2023 at 03:51 PM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dr. John Frederic Parrish.



July 13, 2023 at 12:34 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Dr. John Frederic Parrish.

July 13, 2023 at 12:34 PM



“ Ray and Sally Blackhall purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Dr. John Frederic Parrish.



Ray and Sally Blackhall - July 13, 2023 at 12:29 PM



“ From: Ray and Sally Blackhall planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dr. John Frederic Parrish.

Ray and Sally Blackhall - July 13, 2023 at 12:29 PM



“ Anne B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dr. John Frederic Parrish.

Anne B. - July 12, 2023 at 04:27 PM

SM

“ We are so fortunate to share wonderful memories of Donna and John over the years. People at their wedding knew we were getting married even before we did. We live far apart after we all moved from the Boston area; we have our memories of visits with them in Branson and Independence, Missouri. We are holding Donna and family in our hearts. Love, Joan and Steve Mudrick

Stephen Mudrick - July 12, 2023 at 12:53 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dr. John Frederic Parrish.



July 12, 2023 at 10:30 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Dr. John Frederic Parrish.

July 12, 2023 at 10:30 AM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Dr. John Frederic Parrish.



July 12, 2023 at 09:49 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Dr. John Frederic Parrish.

July 12, 2023 at 09:49 AM



“ Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Dr. John Frederic Parrish.



July 11, 2023 at 07:34 PM



“ Darold A. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dr. John Frederic Parrish.

Darold A. - July 11, 2023 at 04:41 PM



“ Fred & Kathi Hilterman planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dr. John Frederic Parrish.

Fred & Kathi Hilterman - July 11, 2023 at 03:56 PM



“ Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Dr. John Frederic Parrish.



July 11, 2023 at 10:06 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Dr. John Frederic Parrish.

July 11, 2023 at 10:06 AM



“ Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Dr. John Frederic Parrish.



July 11, 2023 at 09:37 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Dr. John Frederic Parrish.

July 11, 2023 at 09:37 AM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dr. John Frederic Parrish.



July 10, 2023 at 09:04 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Dr. John Frederic Parrish.

July 10, 2023 at 09:04 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dr. John Frederic Parrish.*



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July 10, 2023 at 04:59 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Dr. John Frederic Parrish.

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July 10, 2023 at 04:59 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dr. John Frederic Parrish.*



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July 10, 2023 at 03:53 PM