



## Phil J. Parr

August 4, 1937 - July 22, 2012

Phil Parr, 74, was born August 4, 1937 in Roseland, NE to Mathilda (Goedert) and Harold Parr. He went home to be with the Lord on Sunday, July 22, 2012, at his home, surrounded by his loving family.

Phil lived in Aurora, IL since 1956. He married Shirley Diehl on September 30, 1967 at Annunciation Church where he was a member and usher for many years. He was employed by All Steel for 37 years. Phil was known as the “sweet corn king” of Marywood. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus, Phoenix Club, Moose Lodge, Garden Club, and Luxemburger Club. He enjoyed gardening, hunting and playing cards. Phil loved giving Euchre lessons to all innocent victims.

He is survived by his wife Shirley (Diehl) Parr of Aurora, IL; his 4 children Michelle (Mark) Wegman of Aurora, IL, Brenda (Rich) Smith of Aurora, IL, Jeff (Jennifer) Parr of Oswego, IL, and Stephanie (Gregg) Kaput of Plainfield, IL; 10 grandchildren; his sisters and brothers Lucille (Robert) LaPorte of Hinckley, IL, Jerome Parr of Fountain Valley, CA, Norbert (Faye) Parr of Gering, NE, and Mavon Zubrod of Hastings, NE; many nieces and nephews; and special sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his father and mother-in-law Harry and Adeline Diehl; his brother-in-law Curt Zubrod; and 2 nieces Robin and

Whitney.

The best thing we could do to honor Phileo is to be like him.

Funeral from THE DALEIDEN MORTUARY will be Friday, July 27, 2012 at 9:30am to Annunciation Church at 10:00am. Fr. Patrick Gillmeyer, OSB will officiate with interment at Marywood Cemetery. Visitation will be Thursday, July 26, 2012 from 2:00pm until 8:00pm at THE DALEIDEN MORTUARY, 220 N. Lake St., Aurora, 630-631-5500 or please visit our interactive website at [www.daleidenmortuary.com](http://www.daleidenmortuary.com) where you may leave condolences for Phil's family.

# Cemetery Details

## Marywood Cemetery

Church Road  
aurora, IL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL **26.** 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Daleiden Mortuary  
220 N. Lake Street  
Aurora, IL 60506  
(630) 631-5500  
daleidenmortuary@gmail.com  
<https://www.daleidenmortuary.com>

## Funeral Mass

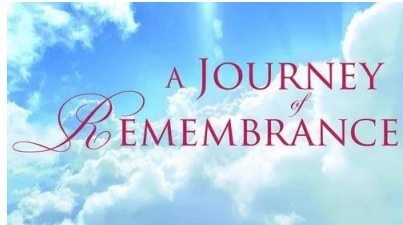
JUL **27.** 10:00 AM (CT)

Annunciation Church  
1820 Church Road  
Aurora, IL 60505

# Tribute Wall



“ Daleiden Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Phil J. Parr



Daleiden Mortuary - July 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MJ

“ The greatest gift in life is to spend it for something that will outlast it.  
-- william james

*Yesterday, as I was present at the service for Phil, it was a joy and blessing to see the Legacy of his Family and loved ones not only filled the room, but pretty much the whole place. Testimony to a life well live. Praise Be to God.*

*'This is the day the Lord has made, let us REJOICE and be glad in it' -- psalm 118:24*

mary james - July 27, 2012 at 11:05 AM

JT

“ Shirley & Family,

*We loved Phil and have such happy and fun memories of him and I am so glad that we were able to be with him a couple of weeks ago. He will be so missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. We love you.*

*Love, Jerry & Judy*

Judy Troxel - July 26, 2012 at 09:50 PM

LK

“Grief can be so hard, but our special memories help us cope. Remembering you and your loved one today and always. Our thoughts and prayers are with you in your time of grief. May your memories of Phil always bring you comfort.

*Laurie & Bob Kaput*

*We also found this poem for you . . .*

*"To my dearest family, some things I'd like to say...  
but first of all, to let you know, that I arrived okay.  
I'm writing this from heaven. Here I dwell with God above.  
Here, there's no more tears of sadness; here is just eternal love.*

*Please do not be unhappy just because I'm out of sight.  
Remember that I'm with you every morning, noon and night.  
That day I had to leave you when my life on earth was through,  
God picked me up and hugged me and He said, "I welcome you."*

*It's good to have you back again; you were missed while you were gone.*

*As for your dearest family, they'll be here later on.  
I need you here badly; you're part of my plan.  
There's so much that we have to do, to help our mortal man.*

*God gave me a list of things, that he wished for me to do.  
And foremost on the list, was to watch and care for you.  
And when you lie in bed at night, the day's chores put to flight.  
God and I are closest to you....in the middle of the night.*

*When you think of my life on earth, and all those loving years  
because you are only human, they are bound to bring you tears.  
But do not be afraid to cry; it does relieve the pain.  
Remember there would be no flowers, unless there was some rain.*

*I wish that I could tell you all that God has planned.  
But if I were to tell you, you wouldn't understand.  
But one thing is for certain, though my life on earth is over.  
I'm closer to you now, than I ever was before.*

*There are many rocky roads ahead of you and many hills to climb;  
but together we can do it by taking one day at a time.  
It was always my philosophy and I'd like it for you too...  
that as you give unto the world, the world will give to you.*

*If you can help somebody who's in sorrow and pain,  
then you can say to God at night....."My day was not in vain."  
And now I am contented....that my life has been worthwhile,  
knowing as I passed along the way, I made somebody smile.*

*So if you meet somebody who is sad and feeling low,  
just lend a hand to pick him up, as on your way you go.  
When you're walking down the street, and you've got me on your  
mind;  
I'm walking in your footsteps only half a step behind.*

*And when it's time for you to go.... from that body to be free,  
remember you're not going.....you're coming here to me."*

*Ruth Ann Mahaffey (author) © Copyright 1998*

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**Laurie & bob kaput** - July 25, 2012 at 11:13 PM

KR

“ Kelly & Bob Richards lit a candle in memory  
of Phil J. Parr



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**Kelly & Bob Richards** - July 25, 2012 at 10:01 PM

DG

“ Phil was the kindest, most loving man I have ever known.  
I can not recall ever hearing a bad or negative comment come from him.  
I worked with Phil for over 17 years at Allsteel and I am proud to call him my friend.  
One of his favorite past times was taking coin from Kenny and Harold playing Euchre. He truly enjoyed us partnering up to beat them at cards.....and it was a blast!  
I'm sure the Aces & Jacks will be kind to Phil in Heaven...  
Phil, you will be missed and you will always be loved by all that were lucky enough to know you....  
Our condolences to Shirley Ann & family... May God be with you through this difficult time....  
Love Always.... Dan (& Peggy) Gregg

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Daniel Gregg - July 25, 2012 at 06:45 PM

BS

“ 5 files added to the album A Faithful Fan



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Beky Smith - July 25, 2012 at 02:16 PM



“ *Simply Lily was purchased for the family of Phil J. Parr.*



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July 25, 2012 at 12:53 PM



“ *Shirley and family, I was sorry to hear of Phil's death. I have such fond memories of our visits to Aurora and the great card games with the Deihl family. Phil was a wonderful, fun-loving guy and I know he will be missed by his family and friends. Celebrate all your beautiful memories of him and know that my thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. Love Pat Kayser and family.*

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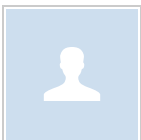
**Pat Kayser** - July 25, 2012 at 10:18 AM



“ *Catching pigeons at night with a flashlight, and "dinging" them the next morning. Too many memories to write!!*

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**Tom Wegman** - July 24, 2012 at 08:31 PM



“ *Dish Garden with Fresh Cut Flowers was purchased for the family of Phil J. Parr.*



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July 24, 2012 at 08:17 PM

DS

“ Denny and Linda Somers purchased the Red, White & Blue Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of Phil J. Parr.



Denny and Linda Somers - July 24, 2012 at 06:54 PM



“ I use to this story to many of my neighbors every summer. That growing up in my neighborhood during the summer you were always outside playing untill supper time. Then you come home finding bratwurst simmering in Old Style Beer and a knock on the front door with Phil Parr pulling a wagon full of sweet corn. He always had a smile and a laugh that could not be matched. My prayers to the family.

July 24, 2012 at 04:17 PM

VL

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Veronica Leon - July 24, 2012 at 10:32 AM

MT

What an awesome 'Kodak' moment!

mary therese - July 25, 2012 at 10:04 AM

BW

*John & I send our sympathies to Michelle, her Mother, siblings and extended family on the passing of their Father, Husband and Grandfather.*

*Barb & John Wayne*

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**Barbara Wayne** - July 25, 2012 at 11:16 AM

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**Veronica Leon** - July 24, 2012 at 10:30 AM