



## Mr. James Maurice Sparger

March 14, 1962 - November 2, 2013

Mr. James Maurice Sparger, 51, passed away Saturday, November 2, 2013 near North Wilkesboro, North Carolina while riding his beloved Kawasaki.

James was born March 14, 1962 to the late Jenny and Maurice Sparger of Spencer. He was educated in the Spencer schools and graduated from North Rowan High School, Class of 1980. His lifelong nickname is "Bird" as he is known by many. Since he was a toddler, James loved motorcycles, motors, and mechanics.

For most of his life he was a long distance and local truck driver. He raced motorcycles in his youth and was a huge fan of drag racing attending races as often as possible. James has always been known for his humor, laughter, and gift of making people feel good. He has uncountable friends that he regarded as family. The old saying "He never meets a stranger has always applied to "Bird". James also loved spending time at the beach and could watch the ocean for hours. He was a lover of music and took every opportunity to dance with great humor and happiness. He loved to cook for others and spend time at home sitting on his deck. He was a lover of English Bulldogs and had many of them over his lifetime.

James is a beloved father, grandfather, and brother. He is survived by daughters, Kallie Sparger (fiancé Justin) and their children, Brayden and

Kaydence of China Grove; Tara Miller (Jason) and their son Dalton of Salisbury; Holly Wedge (Gordon) of Salisbury. He is greatly loved and missed by his brother Bud Sparger of China Grove and his sister Carol Sparger Chmielewski (Wes) of Tucson, AZ. James is also survived by his dear English Bulldog "Mae Mae". Aunt and uncle Toots and Emil Sparger of Spencer and aunt Betty Brown of Melbourne, FL Numerous cousins around the country. The Sparger family would like to thank Bird's special friend Randy Rabon for his loving care. "The man with a heart of gold rides on forever".

There is no visitation at this time. A memorial service will be held at a later date.

# Tribute Wall

LB

“ Carol and Bud, I can't imagine your sorrow and grief! Just know that James is riding in the clouds right now! I love you both so much!

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**Linda Beck** - November 06, 2013 at 07:51 PM

RG

“ rest in peace Jamie, I will light a candle in your honor

*Ron Guyton nrhs class of 78*

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**Ron Guyton** - November 06, 2013 at 04:36 PM

 Britt Adams

“ You will surely be missed Bird! It was an honor to have been able to know you and consider you a friend. Rest in peace and keep smiling while dancing the "Bird dance".

*Britt Adams*

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**Britt Adams** - November 06, 2013 at 01:16 PM

LB

“ We love you James and miss you. Glad to have known you as our friend. Had some great times and wonderful friendship. Love you buddy.

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**Larry and Jill Bost** - November 06, 2013 at 06:06 AM

JP

“ Carol and Buddy.. I am.so heart broken to hear of the passing of your dear brother. Take care and know that others are standing in the gap for you ? Sincerely, Jane Patterson

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**jane patterson** - November 06, 2013 at 06:04 AM

KL

“ I've had some really good times with Bird growing up together. He will be missed. He always seem to be able to put a smile on everyones face. That was his gift from God. Bud and Carol and the rest of the family, I'll be praying for you. The last time I saw Bird, he was dancing and laughing ad having a good time. I'm sure he is doing that now in heaven.

*Kevin Leichman*

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**Kevin Leichman** - November 05, 2013 at 08:21 PM



“ We love you dearly paw paw! And we miss you to pieces!  
*Nik, gary and the boys*

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**Nikki Peeples** - November 05, 2013 at 10:29 AM

JR

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**Jess and Rita** - November 04, 2013 at 08:51 AM

DW

“ Will miss you my friend You were just James lol and lots of fun



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**Danny Williams** - November 03, 2013 at 01:55 PM

TM

“ Tara Miller lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Maurice Sparger



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**Tara Miller** - November 03, 2013 at 01:45 PM

TM

“ We love you very much!! Sure are going to miss you. Thanks for all the great memories our family has of our time with you. Dalton is very thankful for all the trips you guys have taken to the drag races :)

*With Love,  
Jason, Tara, and Dalton Miller*

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**Tara Miller** - November 03, 2013 at 01:44 PM