



## Anna Pauline Parker

May 22, 1917 - September 18, 2019

Anna Pauline Parker, age 102, died on September 18, 2019 at Nathan Adelson Hospice in Las Vegas, Nevada. She was born on May 22, 1917, the older of a pair of identical twins.

She graduated from Presbyterian Hospital School of Nursing in Chicago December 1942, entered in to the Navy Nurse Corps in 1943, and was stationed in Seattle. She served as the head nurse caring for sailors convalescing from injuries suffered at Pearl Harbor and the Aleutians. Anna had a long and rewarding nursing career working as a nurse in an internal medicine practice, director of nursing for a state school for mentally disabled persons, director of nursing for a retirement community and finally as the school nurse for the Orme School, a private school in Mayer, Arizona. In 1980, at the age of 63, she obtained her Bachelor of Arts degree from Prescott College. Later, Anna was a Trustee Emeritus for the Prescott College Board of Trustees.

She and her first husband, Dr. Virgil L. Pennell raised two sons in southern Idaho. In 1972 Anna married Dr. Charles Franklin Parker and retired in Prescott, Arizona. Anna will always be remembered as a kind and loving soul who would care for others before herself. Throughout her retirement and even when living in an assisted living facility she continued to help care for others. She volunteered at a hospice facility until she was 100 years old. One of her many talents was playing the piano and organ, playing in church services, weddings and funerals her entire life. Her greatest joy was spending time with

her family. Her greatest honor was achieved at age 99, when she travelled to Washington D.C. as a member on Honor Flight Arizona.

Anna is survived by two sons and daughters-in-law, William L. and Peggy Pennell, and Dr. Jon R. and Kathryn Pennell; two granddaughters, Jennifer Handford (Kevin) and Mikayla Paige (Matt); two grandsons, Michael Pennell (Angel) and Adam Pennell (Jill); nine great grandchildren; her twin sister, Emma Weiss, one brother, Albert Berger (Sue), and several nephews and nieces. Also surviving are Dr. Parker's daughter, Kitty Jo Nelson, her two daughters, a grandson and two great-grandsons. Her husbands, Virgil Pennell and Charles Franklin Parker, her parents and Brother Bert Berger preceded her in death.

Celebration of life services are scheduled for Sunday, October 13th at 10:00 a.m. at Heritage Springs Assisted Living, 8720 West Flamingo, Las Vegas, NV 89147 on Saturday, November 2nd at 11:00 a.m. at First Christian Church, Prescott, AZ.

Private inurnment will take place in Donnelly, ID.

Gifts in Anna's memory can be made online to Good Samaritan Society Spiritual Ministries Endowment Fund at Prescott Village: <https://www.good-samaritan.com/locations/prescott-village> or checks can be made payable to: Good Samaritan Society - Prescott Village in the memo: Spiritual Ministries Endowment, mailed to: Good Samaritan Society, 1030 Scott Drive, Prescott, AZ 86301

\*\*\*Or to your favorite charity\*\*\*

A Fallen Limb

A limb has fallen from the family tree. I keep hearing a voice that says, "Grieve not for me. Remember the best times, the laughter, the song. The good life I lived while I was strong. Continue my heritage, I'm counting on you. Keep

smiling and surely the sun will shine through. My mind is at ease, my soul is at rest. Remembering all, how I truly was blessed. Continue traditions, no matter how small. Go on with your life, don't worry about falls. I miss you all dearly, so keep up your chin. Until the day comes we're together again."

# Tribute Wall



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Affordable Cremation & Burial Service - January 29, 2025 at 09:45 AM



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Affordable Cremation & Burial Service - January 29, 2025 at 09:45 AM

VB

*“ I have this quote you gave me on my bulletin board, dear Anna -- "I will make it a point to forget my troubles as easily as most folks forget their blessings." I'm trying hard to do that in the middle of this huge hole you've left. With you as inspiration, I shall manage. I love and miss you dearly, Val*

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**Val Van Brocklin** - October 30, 2019 at 06:30 PM

AB

*“ What a sweet wonderful lady. So kind and caring. Will miss her!*

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**Ann Baugh** - October 04, 2019 at 11:42 PM

JP

*“ Anna was the epitome of a lady, and was an amazing example of how to live a life of faith in God. I learned so much from her. I was blessed to know her as a Sister in P.E.O. Chapter Y, here in Prescott, and as a dear friend, whom I miss dearly. We have truly lost a library... My deepest sympathy to the family. Joyce Parker*

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**Joyce Parker** - October 04, 2019 at 11:35 PM

DB

*“ My deepest sympathy to Dr. Pennell and his family. Your mom was truly amazing a role model for all of us to aspire to. May she rest in peace*

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**Denise Belish** - October 02, 2019 at 09:40 PM

PN

*“ Anna, you lived a life filled with dignity and grace. We will forever miss and love you, you live forever in our hearts.*

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**Peggy Nagy** - October 02, 2019 at 01:38 PM

LB

“ *I Express my love to you and your accomplishments. RIP...Laszlo Bedegi*

Laszlo Bedegi - October 02, 2019 at 11:33 AM

KJ

“ *Anna, you were beautiful inside and out. A reflection of what we all should strive to be. Your life represented strength, honor, honesty, dignity, and most of all love. Thank you for the private friendship we had during a tough time. You were a wonderful comfort.*

Karen Jannasch - October 02, 2019 at 10:58 AM



“ *When someone you love becomes a memory, they become a treasure in your hearts for always. May your treasured memories of Anna fill your hearts with peace. My heartfelt condolences.*

September 29, 2019 at 05:17 AM

BP

“ *Dear Mom, you left an incredible legacy that you should be very proud of. The number of beautiful responses you received from friends and family, it is obvious what an incredible impact you had on our world. We were all so fortunate to have you for so many good memories. Love, you son and Peggy Margaret,*

Bill Pennell - September 26, 2019 at 10:47 AM

GG

“ *Amazing Anna, Heaven has a new Angel! I'm so blessed to have know you and to call you friend. What a rich and wonderful life you led with Jesus in your heart. You inspired others to do their best. You kept your family and numerous friends close and always shared your heart. Thanks for sharing your stories and travel adventures. You inspired others to write their life story. What a terrific writer, storyteller and poet. All of us enjoyed when you played the piano for events or for Hymns. I share this picture from your and Emma's 100th Birthday to remind your loved ones how many lives you touched in your life's journey. You'll be missed dear friend. Put in a good word for us and keep the coffee hot for when we meet again. I'll bring the chocolates. Heaven has a new Angel and Anna is her name! Love and hugs,*

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**Gretchen Gallagher** - September 23, 2019 at 03:34 PM

JP

“ *We miss and love you Mom. You were an amazing person and I have heard from so many of your friends and relatives. Each of them say a common thing - you were an incredible woman and they love you dearly. You are greatly missed and it hurts us that you are gone, but we know you are happy, at peace and in a better place. Love Jon and family.*

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**Jon Pennell** - September 22, 2019 at 10:10 PM

PM

“ *A woman of spirit, strength and grace to be admired! Thank you, Anna! It was a blessing to have known you.*

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**Paula Morris** - September 20, 2019 at 01:02 PM