

OBITUARY



MARATHON, Fla. ô Dale L. Parks passed away at his home in Marathon on Nov. 16, 2011. He was 80.

Born in Hackettstown, he was a son of Eula (Yetter) and Floyd Parks.

He was a New Jersey State Police trooper, retiring in 1985 as a detective sergeant first class. He lived in various places in the state, most recently in Blirstown.

As a trooper, he was stationed at various places around New Jersey. Among his duties, he was part of the initial NJSP Underwater Recovery Unit, trained by the Navy in 1956. Later he was supervisor at the Meadowlands Sports Complex and also served as Troop B zone supervisor of the Detective Unit.

He was a dual Masonic Member, 52 years, raised to Master Mason in 1959 at the NJ 164 Lodge and was Mason of the Year 2002 at the Marathon 323 Lodge. Also, he was a member of the Marathon Sons of the American Legion, and was Color Guard captain seven years of the American Legion Post 154.

Mr. Parks was predeceased by his aunt, Helen Hendershot and uncle, Reginald Parks. He is survived by his wife, Grace (Lentini); son Darrell; daughter Dayna Riley; daughter Heather Parks-Fernandes; daughter Georgia; and grandchildren Amanda, Vanessa, Drew, Lauren, Cameron, Madison and Eric; and by several other children and grandchildren. Also mourning his loss is Susan Anderson, close family friend.

Services: Memorial service at American Legion Post 154 Hall, Marathon, Fla., on Dec. 18, 2 p.m.

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