

Parker Chick Jr, 85, Former Darien Resident, Active in Episcopal Church

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Parker Newhall Chick, Jr., 85, of Chatham, MA passed away peacefully on Thursday, April 26, 2018 after a long illness.

He was the beloved husband of Priscilla (Freeman) Chick for over 64 years. He is predeceased by his parents Parker Chick Sr. and Katharine (Pearson) Chick, and his beloved brother Peter Chick of Tacoma, WA.

He was born in Cambridge, MA on June 12, 1932. He attended Walpole public schools and graduated from Walpole High School in 1951. He attended New Hampton Preparatory School and Wentworth Institute of Technology. He then served in the United States Coast Guard from 1953 to 1956.

Parker raised his family in Norwood, MA, Darien and Walpole, MA. He was a very active member of Epiphany Episcopal Church in Walpole, serving on the Vestry. He pursued his love of community theatre through the Walpole Footlighters.

He began his long-time career working with diesel engines for Cummins Engines Inc. He finished his career retiring in 1996 from the Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles as the manager of document control.

He and Priscilla retired to Chatham, MA. It was then that he then began to pursue his love of the ocean and boating. He was a member of the waterways committee for the town of Chatham and an active member of the Allen Harbor Yacht Club in Harwich Port.

— [an obituary](#) from *Nickerson Funeral Home*

Parker loved his volunteer work. He volunteered building houses with Habitat for Humanity of Cape Cod. He was a 50-year member of the Lions club. In addition, he volunteered with the Chatham Drama Guild and the Chatham Food Pantry.

Besides his family, his next biggest love was for his church, St. Christopher's Episcopal Church in Chatham. There he served on many committees including the vestry, the Friday night grill, and the Gift and Consignment Shop.

Parker was a warm and generous friend to all. He was always ready and willing to help others. He loved all dogs and animals. He was beloved by his family and friends for his warmth, generosity, and especially his playful sense of humor.

Besides his wife Priscilla of Chatham, he is survived by his children: Candace Chick and Mark Jalbert of Dorchester, MA; Penelope Chick & Rory Rothman of Ithaca, NY; and Pam (Chick) & Dan Paterson of Westwood, MA.

He is also survived by 6 grandchildren: Kate, Oliver, Jade, Kyle, Emily, Hannah, and his precious grand-dog Murphy. Parker was also very fond of his many nephews and nieces, and their extended families.

Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m., Friday, May 4 at Nickerson Funeral Home, 87 Crowell Road in Chatham. The Funeral Service will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, May 5 at St. Christophers Episcopal Church, 625 Main St. Chatham. Burial will be private at a later date.

Memorial donations may be made to: St. Christopher's Church, 625 Main St., Chatham MA 02633 or Habitat for Humanity of Cape Cod, 411 Main St., Suite 6, Yarmouth Port, MA 02675.

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