



Memorial Day Special Edition Parkman Paragraphs

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2008 Parkman Memorial Day Parade.

We wish to thank all of our Active Duty and Veterans throughout all eras of our country's existence for all of the sacrifices that they have made to give us our freedoms and continue to make our country a safe place to live. May our future generations understand these

sacrifices from our Veterans and appreciate the quality of life created for them.
On behalf of the Parkman Trustees and the Parkman Chamber of Commerce

Special Thanks for the continued support of the:

Geauga County Sheriff Department
Middlefield VFW Post 9678
Parkman Volunteer Fire and Rescue Team
Parkman Boy Scout and Cub Scout Troops #76
Cardinal Marching Band

Parkman Congregational Church SS Edward Lucy Catholic Parish
and the various participants who helped to make our
2008 Parkman Memorial Day Celebration a success.

Gary Testa (thanks for the photo's & story's of Dennis & Connie Testa)
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Best wishes to everyone for a fun and safe summer
and don't forget to give THANKS to a Veteran.



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PARKMAN MEMORIAL DAY 2008 TRIBUTE TO

Dennis A. Testa & Concezio "Connie" Testa

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Dennis A. Testa 1948 - 1982

Dennis Testa was born in 1948 to his parents Carmela and Connie Testa of Parkman Ohio. He graduated from the Cardinal High School in Middlefield in 1966 and enlisted in the United States Marines. He was active in the Vietnam War. He served honorably and was discharged.

Dennis worked out west for a few years with an engineering company and then he returned to Parkman Ohio. He started his own concrete business and worked with it till his death.

In 1979 he married Susan and enjoyed living in Parkman until his passing in 1982. Dennis had dealt with a long time fight of the effects of the herbicide Agent Orange. Like many military that participated in Vietnam, his

struggle with this toxic chemical carcinogen had shorten his lifespan and he was buried in Overlook Cemetery.

In 2008, Dennis was inducted into the Parkman Trustees Memorial Day Veteran Honoree list. His name is engraved into the Parkman Veteran Honoree plaque that is found in our Community house. We are forever grateful for Dennis's service to our country.



Concezio "Connie" Testa 1922 - 2010

<https://www.slyffh.com/obituary/Concezio-Testa>

Concezio "Connie" Testa was born Oct. 13, 1922, in Warren, the son of Frank and Antonetta Testa. He was a graduate of West Farmington High School and was a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II.

He married Carmela (Fasulo) Testa on May 18, 1946. Carmela P. (Fasulo) Testa was born Oct. 24, 1923, in Casteltizzuto, Italy, she lived in the Parkman Ohio area since she was two years old.

She graduated from West Farmington High School in 1942. She loved baking, crafts, and traveling. She was a member of St. Edward's Catholic Church in Parkman and the Public School Retirement System. Mrs. Testa worked as the supervisor of cafeterias for Cardinal Schools in Middlefield for 22 years, retiring in 1983. Mrs. Testa died March 14, 2005, at Briar Hill Health Care Residence in Middlefield.

Connie also retired from Parkman Elementary School as a custodian for 30 years. He then was custodian at Middlefield Banking Company for 20 years. He always was kind, caring, and did more than what was expected of him. He loved, laughed, enjoyed life to the fullest, always had a joke to tell and was loved by those whose path he crossed. He was a lifetime resident of the area, and a member of the St. Edward's Catholic Church in Parkman and the V.F.W. Post 2700 in West Farmington.

He enjoyed traveling, visiting his family and friends, was a good athlete and played on a Parkman Basketball team in the 1960s.

Connie died at the age 87 on April 27, 2010, at Johnson City Memorial Hospital in Johnson City, Tenn. He went to be together again with his wife of 58 years, Carmela (Fasulo) Testa, whom he married in 1946, and lovingly cared for her before she died in 2005.

Special thanks to Gary Testa of Tennessee for helping with this story and photos. Both Mr Connie Testa and his son Mr Dennis Testa were very honorable in our Parkman Community and served both Community and Country with respect.

