In Loving Memory of

Troy Lee Parker, Sr.

Sunrise December 2, 1943

Sunset *July 16, 2010*



Wednesday, July 21, 2010 6:00 p.m.

UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.

2352 8th Avenue New York, NY 10027

Obituary

Troy Lee Parker, Sr. was born on December 2, 1943 in Nashville County, North Carolina. He was the youngest son of the late John Ellis and Nannie Rebeca Parker. He was called home to rest on July 16, 2010 after a brief and unexpected illness.

Troy Lee as he was affectionately referred to by much of his family spent a good portion of his young life growing up in Nashville where he completed his primary education. It was there that he also met and married Deborah Ann Grimes. The young couple moved to New York in 1966 where they were blessed to receive five children and where he continued to reside throughout the remainder of his life.

He maintained a career for thirty-eight years as a porter for Columbia University in the division of Institutional Real Estate. It was during this period that he later became acquainted with and married Ella G. Smith and added to this union was the blessing of five additional children.

Troy had a strong work ethic and a deeply devoted love for his family and friends. He will most be remembered for his kind heart, his quick wit, and his zest for life. His presence here on earth was felt by all those who surrounded him, and his memory will forever be etched in the hearts of all by those who were fortunate to have who known him.

He was preceded in death by his wives, Deborah Ann Parker and Ella G. Smith, his son, Eric Chauncey Smith, his brother, Spencer Ray Parker and his sister, Louise Glover.

He leaves to mourn and cherish his memory: four sons, Troy Lee Parker, Jr., Bruce Parker, Monty McLaughlin and Antony Parker; five daughters, Tracey Parker, Carmella Smith, Patricia Parker-Boone, Crystal Parker-Granison, and Sherine Parker; two sons-in-law, Maurice Boone and Walter Granison; four daughters-in-law, Tara Dickerson-Parker, Nakosha Reddick, Jean Parker and Aisha Bridgett; twenty-six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren; two brothers, Waddell Parker (VA) and Carnell Parker; two sisters-in-law, Brenda Parker and Katie Parker; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, extended family and friends.

We ask that God bless and keep his soul on his way home. We ask as a family for the strength to remember him in his life and not dwell on the sorrow of his death because love lasts forever.

Order of Service

Processional

Selection	Funeral Home Organist
Scripture	Bruce Parker (son)
Prayer	Gaither Smith
Poem	Crystal (daughter)
Acknowledgements	Tynesha Parker (granddaughter)
Obituary	Sabrina Hutson
Eulogy	

Selection

Committal

Viewing

Recessional



Interment
Parker Cemetery Nashville, North Carolina

Miss Me, But Let Me Go

When I come to the end of the road and the sun has set for me, I want no rites in a gloom filled room, Why cry for a soul set free? Miss me a little-but not too long, and not with your head bowed low. Remember the love that we once shared. Miss me-but let me go. For this is a journey that we all must take, And each must go alone. It's all part of the Master's plan, A step on the road to home. When you are lonely and sick at heart, Go to the friends we know. Laugh at the things we use to do Miss me-but let me go.

-author unknown



<u>Acknowledgement</u>

The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour.

God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.



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