

<u>Obituary</u>

Elsie R. Parker was born in Washington, DC on November 28, 1928, she was the only child born to the late Mr. and Mrs. Rose Brook. Elsie Parker was married to the late Samuel Edward Parker. After a lengthy illness, she was called to eternal rest on Friday, December 14, 2012 at East Orange General Hospital at 11:15 p.m. Elsie joined Peaceful Zion Baptist Church, Newark, New Jersey at a young age.

Elsie graduated from Essex County LPN School of Nursing, Newark, NJ in 1950. She worked at United Hospital Newark, New Jersey as an LPN/RN over twenty-five years. She was a member of District 1199 New Jersey and attended her retirees meeting faithfully.

In 1961, Sister Parker joined the Queen of Sheba Grand Chapter Order of the Easter Star Newark, New Jersey. She excelled in many positions. Because of her passion for the order, she conceived the vision to set up two chapters in the organizations. She became the Worthy Grand Matron - Queen Esther Chapter O.E.S. 1960-1964 and 1969.

Associate Supreme G and Matron-Supreme Chapter O.E.S. from 1984-2004, Most Ancient Matron-Deborah Court #3 Heroines of Jericho 1964-1970, Supreme Inner Gatekeeper Heroines of Jericho 1984-1990, Most Ancient Grand Matron-Hannah Grand Court Heroines of Jericho 1991-1995.

Most worthy Grand Matron of Queen of Sheba Court #6 D.O.S. 1965-1970, Most Worthy State Grand Matron Medina Grand Court State of NJ 1971-1975.

Worthy Grand Matron of Sheba Grand Chapter Order of Eastern Star - June 1976 to December 1982, Most Worthy Supreme Grand Matron - Supreme Grand Court D.O.S. 1989-1993. Set up three Subordinate Councils and Grand Councils of Lady Knights in 1971, Grand Counselor - Nazareth Grand Council State of NJ 1971-1985, Supreme Chief Counselor of Lady Knights 1998-2004.

Sister Parker was always willing to give a helping hand, regardless of how big or small the task at hand. She was very independent and loyal to her organization. She was a free spirited individual. She loved her three black cats. It is befitting that she went home to be with the Lord on December 14, 2012. God called his servant from labor to reward.

Sister Parker will truly be missed. She leaves to cherish precious memories: one goddaughter, Chaplain Dr. Louella McIntosh; godson, Onrea McIntosh; four devoted dear friends, Rev. Juana Tyminiski of Avenel, New Jersey, Sister Phyllis Mayes of Linden, New Jersey, Sister Lorraine Jamison of Colonia, New Jersey and Sister Billie R. Hentz of Newark, New Jersey; and a host of friends, extended friends from UCIWO Chaplains, Newark Police Clergy Alliance Department and St. James AME Family, and those who she took under her wings to enhance their education, skills and training in order to reach higher heights in their lives.

<u>Order of Service</u>

Officiating	Rev. Juana Tyminiski
	St. Mark Unified Baptist Church
Musical Prelude	Organist
Opening Hymn "What A Fried	nd We Have In Jesus" Min. Steve Hill
Prayer of Comfort	Rev. James Berry
Scripture Readings	
	Rev. Gregory Shockley Dr. Linda Rozier
Solo	"One Day At A Time" Min. Steve Hill
Resolutions and Acknowledgements	Sister Lorraine Jamison
Clergy Affair/ Clergy Alliance Nwk.	Police Pastor Leslie Jones, Jr.
Remarks	
Obituary	Read Silently
Solo "His Ey	e Is On The Sparrow" Min. Steve Hill
Eulogy	Rev. Juana Tyminiski
Recessional	Family and Congregational

#### **INTERMENT**

Hollywood Memorial Park Union, New Jersey

Immediately following the Memorial Service Family and Friends are invited to: St. James AME Church 588 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd • Newark, New Jersey 07102 Rev. Ronald L. Slaughter, Senior Pastor

#### I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free I'm following the path God laid for me I took his hand when I heard Him call I turned my back and left it all. I could not stay another day. To laugh, to love, to work or play. Tasks left undone must stay that way, I found that peace at the close of day. If my parting has left a void, Then fill it up with remembered joy. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, *Oh, yes these things I too will miss.* Be not burdened with times of sorrow, I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow. *My life's been full, I savored much.* Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch. Perhaps my time seemed all too brief. Don't lengthen it now with undue grief. Lift up your heart and share with me, God wanted me now, He set me free! -author unknown

### As The Sun Begins To Set

As the sun begins to set, and the day comes to an end. Precious memories of your life We will cherish so deep within. Your life was an inspiration. You touched so many lives, And we're truly going to miss you, through all the tears we cry. But joy comes in the morning, Just to know you're at Heavenly rest. With God and all His angels, Because you were the very best.



## <u>Acknowledgements</u>

The family wishes to express their deepest and most sincere thanks to all who shared with them in this time of sorrow. May God bless and keep you in a most gracious way.

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