

*In Loving Memory of*  
*Gwendolyn Arminthia Davis*



**Sunrise**  
July 26, 1937

**Sunset**  
December 7, 2014

**Monday, December 15, 2014 - 10:00 A.M.**

**Cotton Funeral Service**

130 Main Street

Orange, New Jersey 07050

**Rev. Edward Allen, Officiating**

**Emory Lee, Organist**

## Obituary

**Gwendolyn Arminthia Jackson** was born on July 26, 1937 to the proud parents of Overton Jackson and Bettisie Fleming Jackson.



She was vibrant and vivacious child who was educated in the Orange School system. She attended Orange High School, where she developed a vivid pleasure creating fashion. Upon graduation, she attended Essex County Vocational Tech. While there she honed her sewing and seaming skills. While attending Essex County Vocational Tech she won an award from Singer Sewing Machine Company. For those of you who knew her, know and can attest that her fashion and sewing creativity was of Excellence.



At the age of twenty years, she married the late Percy Parks, Jr. (her high school sweetheart). From that union they had a son Percy M. Parks III. She was divorced and then married Linzy L. Davis, (a long time mentor and community fixture in Orange, NJ). They remained married for twenty-four years until his blessed departure to a better life in 2009.



Gwendolyn will be extremely missed by all of the individuals who had the opportunity to know her. She was a woman who gave from the heart and never expected anything in return.

Gwen leaves to cherish her memory: her son, Percy Parks; grandsons, Idris Coleman and Ali Parks; granddaughter, Shamia L. Parks; sisters, Gloria Foster of Farmville, VA, Josephine Shaw of East Orange, NJ, Minnie (Lawrence Whitney) of Alexandria, VA, Shirley (Barnard) Watkins of Farmville, VA and Sylvester Jackson of Farmville, VA; her brother, Overton Macelus Jackson (preceded her in death); her sincere loving and

devoted friend, Agnes R. Buchanan-Warmer. Gwen is also survived by her friend, Patricia Kersey; great grandchildren, Isaiah, Alana, J.J. and Jalyne; and host of nieces, nephews, cousins, in-laws and friends.

*Order of Service*

Organ Prelude

Invocation

Musical Selection ..... Shane Gillette

Acknowledgements

Poem ..... Percy Park III

Musical Selection .....Gene Foster

Obituary Reading

Solo ..... Emory Lee

Eulogy

Recessional

**Interment**  
Veterans Cemetery  
Wrightstown, New Jersey



## *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*

### *Acknowledgement*

The family of **Gwendolyn Parks** would like to give our sincerest thanks to everyone who has helped to make this homecoming celebration possible. May God bless and keep you all.

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