



Celebrating the Life of
Jeanette A. Parker

Sunrise
July 4, 1949

Sunset
October 8, 2020

Saturday, October 17, 2020 - 10am

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Obituary



Jeanette Ann Parker was a well-known member of the Washington Heights community. She was born as a Brooklyn girl on July 4, 1949, to the late Annie Parker and Norman Charles Robinson. She departed this earth after a long term but courageous fight on October 8, 2020.

Jeanette attended Brooklyn High School where she received a formal high school education. Jeanette spent many years of her adult life employed as a Correspondent Investigator for Blue Cross Blue Shield. Seeking a more purposeful life, Jeanette started her service to the underserved—working as a youth counselor for Louise Wise, where she provided services to their Mother/Child Program. The love of serving young people in need was right up Jeanette’s alley. She ultimately spent 15 years as a youth counselor working with at-risk teens for Good Shepherd Services at Marion Hall. Colleagues have described Jeanette as a diligent and dedicated member of the team who always met the bar as it relates to doing her job.

Those who know Jeanette came to appreciate her tough demeanor, but also her soft, giving, and caring heart. Jeannette as an only child sought and maintained lasting friendships through not just her words, but her actions. She was one to know the needs of her friends without them having to explain them. Her understanding of those friendly needs would always spring her into action.

Jeanette loved her birthday; she would say, “my birthday is a holiday and so is yours”. Jeanette is one that would never forget a birthday of a friend. You knew on your birthday if no one else sent you a card or acknowledgement Jeanette was going to. This spirit truly made her one of a kind. Friends have so many fond memories of Jeanette which will make her dearly missed.

Jeanette was preceded in death and will be laid to rest next to her parents, Annie and Norman, as well as her only son, Matthew all of whom she loved dearly. She leaves to mourn her closest friends, Roberta, Elaine and Wanda; relatives near and far; as well as close coworkers, friends, former program youth and neighbors.

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Readings

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

Interment

Kensico Cemetery
Valhalla, New York

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 his call,
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day,
To laugh, to love, to work, to play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I've found that peace at the close of the day.

If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Ah 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 savoured 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.

Acknowledgement

The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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