

*In Loving Memory of*



*Laverne Parker*

**Sunrise**  
**December 12, 1955**

**Sunset**  
**January 21, 2021**

**Tuesday, February 2, 2021 - 3pm**

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# *Reflections*

**Laverne M. Parker** was born to the proud parents, William and Almeda Parker on December 12, 1955 at Harlem Hospital. She was the third of six children. She was affectionately nicknamed “Lump” by her parents and many of her close family and friends knew her by that name.

Laverne attended the New York City public school system and graduated from Julia Richmond High School. After graduation she attended beauty school to learn how to be a hair stylist.

She met and fell in love with Darryl B. Jones with whom she had two children, Chekesha M. Jones and Darryl B. Jones, Jr.

Later in life she met and fell in love with William J. Fields (also known as “Wise”) with whom she was married. William predeceased her.

Laverne was blessed to have overcome substance abuse and successfully remained clean and sober for more than 26 years until her passing. After gaining control of her life, she embarked on her career as a foster mother. Laverne loved providing care for children and went on to receive training to provide care for special needs children. She successfully provided care for more than 5 children, several of them from birth.

Laverne’s main hobby was fashion and crocheting. The Left Hand in Harlem was her business name. She created hand crafted crochet designs that were featured in many fashion shows. She made baby clothes, women's clothing, scarves, blankets and even a wedding dress. In addition, she was an avid reader and belonged to a number of book clubs.

Laverne touched many lives and will be missed. Three brothers: Amar, Bernard and Bruce predeceased her. She leaves to mourn: her two children, Chekesha and Darryl; sisters, Jean (Corey) and Geraldine; two nieces, Andrea and Mignon; cousin, Sharon and her children, Angela and Asia; her foster children, Ethan and Ahjamoor whom she loved and cared for very much; and a host of friends.

# *Order of Service*

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Processional

Selection

“God Will Take Care of You”

Scripture Readings

Old Testament: Psalm 23 - Sharon Williams

New Testament: John 1:1-10 - Angela Parker

Prayer

Selection

“His Eye Is On The Sparrow”

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary

Michelle Malloy

Selection

“Going Up Yonder”

Eulogy

Committal

Recessional



# *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



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kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour.  
May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.***

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