

*A Celebration of Life For*  
*Grace M. Parker*



Sunrise: September 26, 1949  
Sunset: January 25, 2022

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2022 - 12:00 NOON**

**Cotton Funeral Service**

130 Main Street • Orange, New Jersey

*Pastor Larry Tyson, officiating*

# Order of Service

Musical Prelude..... I Trust You by James Fortune

Processional & Viewing

Opening Selection ..... Brother Curtis Hudson

Prayer & Scripture Reading.....Pastor Larry Tyson

Musical Selection ..... Danielle Harris

Words of Comfort (2 mins)

Acknowledgments & Obituary.....Tasha Holmes Spivey

Selection .....Curtis Hudson

Eulogy..... Pastor Larry Tyson

Closing Selection.....Stand by Donnie McClurkin

Recessional of Clergy & Family.....Organist play Going up the Yonder

Committal & Benediction ..... Pastor Larry Tyson

*Interment*  
Rosedale Cemetery  
Montclair, New Jersey

# Obituary

Grace Marie Parker was born on September 26, 1949, in Snow hill, Maryland to the late Katie Mae Hudson Parker & the late Ralph Charlie Homer Parker Sr. Grace entered eternal rest on Tuesday, January 25, 2022 at Saint Barnabas Medical Center in Livingston, N.J.

Grace began her education in Salisbury Maryland and finished her education in the Newark Public School district. Grace received licensing from the Department of Children and Families with certification in childcare and nutrition. Immediately after Grace established self-employment as a day care provider and started her own day care called Luv and Care Daycare.

Grace (better known as Nana) had an immense love for children as well as people in general. Nana's charm, wit and loving character made it easy for everyone to love her. Nana was classified as "the neighborhood mom." Whenever you had the privilege to sit on her porch you always felt the love. Nana loved everyone. You would never hear her talk bad about anyone and if something was said or done that, she didn't like she would not hesitate to tell you how or what she felt; however, she was never one to complain. If anything were wrong with her, one would never know.

Nana was the sweetest sole. She often opened her doors and welcomed any and everyone with open arms. She would help anyone in need. We often said if there were a stray cat on the street mom would take it in if she had the opportunity to. Nana was also known for her family gatherings and her world class cooking. Everyone loved them some nana. Nana loved to entertain and bring family and friends together. Nana was all for having a good time with family and friends. Nana's profound love for family and friends was the glue that held the family together. Everyone knew if they came together at nana's house that would be one heck of a good time.

Nana loved the lord and accepted him as her lord and savior. Nana was a strong, nurturing, loving and kind sister, aunt, cousin, grand-mother, and friend to all and will be deeply missed.

Grace preceded in death her mother Katie Mae Hudson Parker, Father Ralph C.H. Parker Sr., brothers Denwood Ralph Parker and Eugene Parker, sister Emily Lorraine Parker and her beloved grandson Tyrief Ali Parker.

Grace leaves to cherish in her memory, her beloved sisters Shirley Holmes and Carla Parker, brothers Curtis Hudson and Sylvester Parker, her 3 daughters Lashonda, Donna and Laranoda Parker, 2 sons Rasheed and Careem Parker, son in law Anthony Lee Webb Sr., 9 grandchildren: Anthony Lee Webb Jr., Sha-heim, Jasmin, Khari, Anniyah, Camryn and Kailee Parker, Nyasia, and Jayden Bradley, 2 great grands, Trey & Nyilah and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and loving friends.

## A Tribute from her Children

We awake each morning to start a new day  
But the pain of losing you never goes away.  
We go about the things we must do  
And as the hours come to pass, we often think of you  
We want to call you and just hear your voice  
Then we remember that we have no choice  
For you are not there and now our hearts cry  
Just want to see you again to tell you goodbye.  
Just to say mom we love you and we always will  
And hope that much of you, in us you have instilled.  
The day that you left we just didn't know  
That you were going where we couldn't go.  
And now all our memories of you are so dear  
But gosh, how we miss you and wish you were here.  
Who now can hear me when I need to cry?  
It so hard to say "goodbye."  
Someday we know all will be well  
And we will see you again with stories to tell  
Of how you were missed and how we have grown  
And how good it is to finally be home.  
Until then, our memories of you we will keep near  
And we will pass them on to those who are dear  
We love you and will miss you mom!!

***Pallbearers-Grandkids and Friends (volunteers)***

***Floral Bearers-Friends (volunteers)***

## Acknowledgement

*The family would like to thank everyone for the prayers, calls, texts, gifts, and phone calls extended to us after the passing of our loved one. We thank you from the bottom of our hearts and ask for your continued prayers. May God continue to bless you.*

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