

A TRIBUTE OF HONOR & LOVE

Dear Mother,

You are a Reflection of God's Grace.

I have learned so many things from you that never needed to be put in words. By the beauty of your example. You have shown that love is more valuable when its expressed through kindness...

that strength comes from the joy you share with others... and that faith in God brings the height of this Grace to every part of my life. You are the Queen of my heart.

Love you Mommy, **Janice**

Momma,

The Lord called you home, you said when you leave this Earth was when your work was done and that we are strong. And now that you are gone, we are alone. We are alone because the backbone of this family was called home. No one could have said your time has come to place your wings on your

arms. I sit here wondering how to go on. You

whispered to me and said, just to stay strong because your journey has just begun. Fly high mama. Angels are waiting to place your crown on your head. Now you are with the Angels

watching over us, looking through the clouds so we can

see your wonderful smile. **Libby**

Our Mother was everybody's mother; she loved everyone. Miss

Parks, Miss Mae, Miss Parkey; she held everything together between the good and the bad. She was just Mama. She

cared about her family down to her great-great

grandchildren. Like any other family we all had our ups and downs but we still love one another regardless. Like the song

says, "I'll always love my mama, she's my favorite girl". She's

still number one in my heart. Rest in Peace, Mama.

Your son, **Belton**

Mama,

For 60 years I was your baby boy up until you left earth and went to Glory. I was always afraid that if you passed away I wouldn't know what I'd do. Mama, you were my counselor and my mentor. You taught me growing up that I represent

you when I step out into the world. We talked several times throughout each day. I always looked forward to seeing you every day after work, sitting with you on Saturdays and watching your Washington Football Team play on Sundays.

I enjoyed hearing the funny family stories you shared with me. Your love, encouragement and strength kept me

going. Even being bedridden for 30 years, I never once heard you complain. I'm gonna miss your smile and hearing you say,

"Who loves you baby?" So Mama, until I see you

again, kiss Jesus for me.

Your baby boy, **Darryl**



God has blessed me with 8 babies but I'm leaving behind my 5, don't worry children, momma gotta fly high with your 3 siblings that left us behind.

This mold that was shaped and designed by God has endured the test of time. Like I always tell you my children "I'm doing fine by the grace of God" listening to my Nat King Cole while I sit amongst the stars.

I have fed, clothed and sheltered you all and wiped your tears and blood from your knees when you fall. Even tho I was bed ridden, I could hear God talk, now that I am with him we will go on a nice **eternal walk**. Now my work here is done. I ask you my children to continue what I have begun.

I love you all my Bookies.

Acknowledgements

Our family would like to thank everyone for all acts of kindness and love shown during our time of bereavement. May God continue to bless and keep each of you in His loving care.



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Mae

THELMA FULLER PARKS

MAY 25, 1935 | JANUARY 14, 2021

The Life & Legacy

MAE THELMA FULLER PARKS

Mae's favorite Scripture: John 10: 9 and 10

I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved. They will come in and go out, and find pasture. 10 The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it abundantly.

Mae Thelma Fuller Parks was born on May 25th, 1935, in Woodruff, SC, to the late Ed "Booze" and Georgia Mae Fuller. She departed this life on January 14, 2021.

Mae was educated in the public schools in Woodruff, SC. During that time, she met and married the late Belton H. Parks, Sr. before moving to Washington, DC in 1952 to further her Education at Franklin Adult Educational Center, where she graduated. Mae's first job was at College Park University; then, she transitioned to Freeman Hospital. In 1969, Mae accepted a position with the Government Printing Office, where she worked in the Record Room for Congress for 25 years until she had a stroke on October 31, 1993 and had to retire.

Mae's life would seem too short to many, but those touched by her understood that the quality of existence far exceeds the quantity of time in which one lives. Her big smile, huge heart, and her favorite saying, "I'm doing GOOD by the Grace of God," brought so much joy to our family. She was an active member of Jericho Baptist Church and sung in the Choir. Mae loved to watch her favorite football Team- The Washington, Redskins (The Washington Team) play during football season. She loved going to parties/events and throwing a party as well! She shared Soul Food Sundays with her family, fellowshiping on the prayer line on Tuesdays where many called her Ma, and she knew everything that was going on within the family! She will be truly missed!

She leaves to cherish her memories to her five children: Janice (Franklin) Robinson, Michael (Valarie) Parks, Belton (Barbra) Parks, Elizabeth (John) Thompson Sr, Darryl (LaTrenda) Parks, and Daughter in law Ester (Terry) Parks; Four additional children: Franklin (Tracy) Bellenger, Patricia Collins, Joeray (Rhonda) Addison and James (Tammy) Gault; One sister: Annie Ruth Robinson; 49 Grandchildren; 109 Great Grands; 56 Great-Great Grands; Best friends: Eleanor Armstead, and Sherida; 4 caregivers (Deborah, Donna, Nora, and Victory) and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives, and

friends. She was preceded in death by her three children: Sherry, Terry, and Richard Parks; Two grandsons; Richard and Anthony Parks; Her siblings; Inez, Carrie, Alean, and Matthew; One sister-in-law: Annie Mae Fuller; and one niece; Connie Madden.



Order of Service

Memorial Service

Tuesday, January 26, 2021
12:00pm-2:00pm

Way of the Cross Church of Christ

1800 Hazelwood Drive
Capitol Heights, MD 20743

Graveside Service

Saturday, January 30th, 2021
1:00pm

New Bethel Baptist Church Cemetery

Woodruff, South Carolina 29388
Presiding Officiant: Rev. Derrick Scurry

Solo: Mr. Ronald Browning

Old Testament: Minister

New Testament: Minister

Prayer: Minister

Remark

Solo

Words of Comfort: Min. Michael Moreland

Closing Prayer

