

ation of Life

or

retta

ntgomery

rocks

, 1941

er 31, 2023

ay, November 11, 2023

a.m.

SERVICE: 10:30 a.m.

l of

L. Brown Funeral Home

ilton Avenue

ryland 21217

, please be mindful of social distancing.



Her Life

"He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."

REVELATION 21:4

Loretta Montgomery was born in Summerville, Tennessee to Leroy and Laura Brown Montgomery on April 1st, 1941. She spent her primary years in Tennessee until she graduated from Fayette County training school in 1960. Following high school she moved to Baltimore, Maryland in June 1960.

In 1961 she joined her older brother Eddie and worked with him for seven years at the first Montgomery Barbershop located at 2043 Edmonson Avenue. In 1968 she joined her brother Johnie at 968 Whitelock Street, and soon thereafter they relocated to 1107 Whitelock St. and there she worked with him for thirty-nine years. During this time, she achieved the title of Master Barber. In 2007 she joined up with her other brother, George at 3730 Edmonson Avenue and worked there for twelve years with him until retirement in 2019. Alongside her career as a barber, since its inception Loretta was also a faithful member of Family Bible Ministries Worldwide, a church established by her brother Apostle Eddie Montgomery.

In 1968 Loretta met Edwin Bernard Brooks and together after a long friendship, Edwin saw Loretta as the love of his life and proposed. The two married in holy matrimony on August 28th, 1988 in Baltimore, Maryland. This union, which included a loving son Gary Parker Sr., grew over the years into a strong family unit. Together they enjoyed playing cards, traveling, trips to the movie theater and just general time together to cherish and build memories. After retirement from the barbershop, Loretta became ill. Over the course of her illness, Edwin stood by her side supporting her through endless doctors' appointments, procedures and even daily visitation at her rehabilitation center until she was called home to be with the Lord.

Among those who proceeded her in death include parents Leroy and Laura Montgomery and six siblings: Ruby L Spencer, Leroy Montgomery Jr., Apostle Eddie Montgomery, Ida Mae Montgomery Upchurch (Billy), Johnie Montgomery (Mary L), Herman L. Brooks and Alvin G. Brooks.

Loretta leaves to mourn her loving and devoted husband Edwin; one son Gary Parker Sr. (Antionette Little/Debbie Parker); one brother George (Mildred); one brother in-law, Vernon Spencer (Ruby-deceased); three sisters in-law, Cassandra Montgomery (Eddie-deceased), Rosetta Montgomery-Dale (William) and Sandra Brooks (Alvin-deceased); three grandkids Tavon Lamont Scipio Sr., Niesha Parker-Johnson (Markus) and Gary Parker Jr.; eight great-grandkids, Xavien Lamont Scipio, Myonna Sage Smith, Tavon Lamont Scipio Jr., Jordan Lamont Scipio, Madison Paige Johnson, Noah Nathaniel Johnson, Noelle McKenzie Johnson and Blake Lisa'Renae James; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and other family and friends.

Order of Service

PRECLUDE

PROCESSIONAL

MUSICAL SELECTION..... *Beverly Smith*

PRAYER OF COMFORT..... *Erica Payne*

SCRIPTURE READINGS..... *Beverly Smith*

*Old Testament: Psalms 23
New Testament: Matthew 6:9-13*

MUSICAL SELECTION..... *Janet Jenkins*

WORDS OF ENDEARMENT (*Two Minutes Please*)..... *Edwin Bernard Brooks*

Niesha Johnson

Dr. Edward T. Carroll

Lieutenant Kenneth Lewis

Pastor Alberta V. Montgomery, PhD

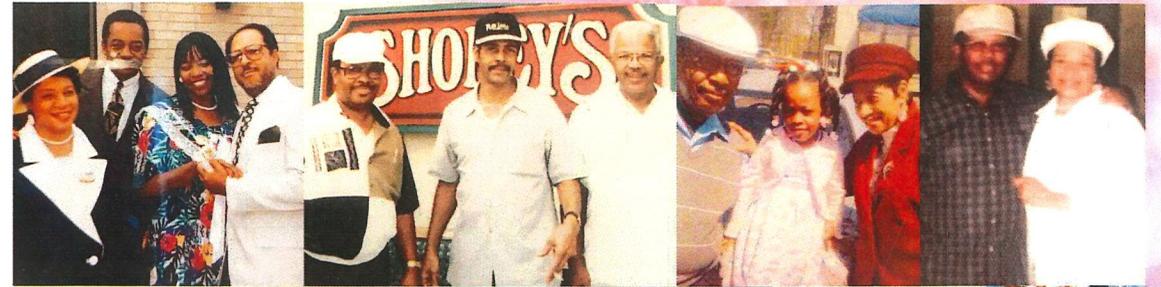
ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS..... *C.K. Brooks Vaughn*

READING OF THE OBITUARY..... *C.K. Brooks Vaughn*

MUSICAL SELECTION..... *Reverend Dr. George Brown*

EULOGY..... *Reverend Dr. George Brown*

BENEDICTION..... *Reverend Dr. George Brown*



A Love Letter to Loretta

WRITTEN BY RON TRAMMER, ADAPTED BY ERICA PAYNE

I hardly knew the day or hour that God would call your name
In life I loved you dearly; In death, I'll do the same.
It broke my heart to lose you, but you did not go alone;
For part of me went with you, the day God called you home.
You left me peaceful memories; your love is still my guide.
And though we cannot see you, you're always by my side.
The joy we shared through the years, I'll cherish every day.
Thirty-five years of laughter -Was God's love on display!
Our family chain is broken and nothing seems the same.
But as God calls us one by one the chain will link again.
Love and Miss You,

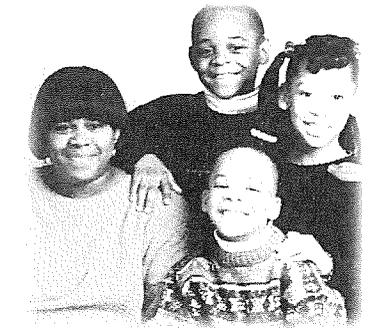
Edwin



To My Second Mom, Loretta M. Brooks

The Lord has given all of us, a special Mom to love.
He chooses those He thinks are best and sends them from above.
I'm grateful for your kind support, the way you show you care.
From thoughtfulness so often shown and warmth you gladly share.
For when I've needed one good friend on dark and cloudy days,
You've always had such good advice and noncondemning ways.
So, I thank you for your love, and all the things you do.
If I could choose a second Mom, I'd surely ask for you!
I will miss you, my second Mom, Loretta M. Brooks.

Love Always, Antoinette

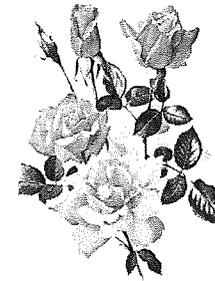


To A Loving Grandmother

Although our worlds are different now or is that just how it seems.
For I see you when I close my eyes because you're always in my dreams.
I know you're up in Heaven and looking down on me.
And when I look up at the star, I know that's where you'll be.
Even though I miss you, you're not too far away.
Because my heart is full of memories, and I treasure them every day.
Our time on earth was special, but it's only the very start.
So please keep watching over me, while we're not so far apart.
Someday the time will come when I no longer feel this pain.
That is the day when Heaven calls, and we will meet again.

Love Your Granddaughter

Niesha



Mother Dear

When I lost you, I wish I could see you
one more time walking through the door.
But I know that is impossible; I will hear your voice no more.
I know you can feel my tears and you don't want me to cry.
Yet my heart is broken because I can't understand
why someone precious has to die.
I pray that God will give me strength and somehow get me through.
As I struggle with this heartache that came when I lost you.

Love, Your Son

Gary (Mop)



To My Sister

If flowers grow in Heaven, on land that's wild and free
Lord, place some in my sister's arms and tell her they're from me.
Tell her that I love her and miss her everyday
And tell her there's still so much that I would like to say
Remembering her is easy, she's in everything I do.
I miss her so much everyday, but I know she's safe with you.
If tears could build a stairway made from all the pain
I'd walk right up to Heaven and bring her back again.
Lord, please take care of her and I hope that she will see
That she was such a special person and a special sister to me.
Love Always,

Your Brother George

Full of Life

You weren't like other grandmothers
Who let their age impact their way of life.
You continued doing the things you loved,
Until the very end.
Always active, Always vibrant,
And always ready to bring a smile to my face.
Grandma, your full life touched so many.
You will never be forgotten.
Love, Your Grandson

Gary



Great Grandmother

You have a place within my heart that no one else can fill.
You're a dear and special Great Grandmother who I love and always will.

Love Your Great Granddaughter, *Myonna*



Pallbearers

Markus Johnson
Larry Mason
Daryl Montgomery
Khaleed Vaughn Sr. (alternate)

Gary Parker Jr.
Gary Parker, Sr.
Xavien Scipio

Acknowledgements

of Loretta Montgomery Brooks wish to express sincere appreciation and for the love and kindness bestowed upon our family during the time of and homegoing of our loved one. We acknowledge the many kind and deeds, expressions of concern, sympathy and love shown during this heavement. A special thanks to Orchard Hill Rehabilitation & Healthcare Sinai Hospital, dedicated medical professionals, family, friends and neighbors for the care and love bestowed upon her.



Internment

Tuesday, November 21, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.

Garrison Forest Veterans Cemetery

11501 Garrison Forest Road * Owings Mills, Maryland 21117

Professional Services Entrusted To

JOSEPH H. BROWN FUNERAL HOME

2140 North Fulton Avenue * Baltimore, Maryland 21217

410-383-2700

Program Layout and Design

Diane A. Mondie-Wilkes * dianewilkes@netzero.net

