

Memories



A Celebration of Life for Rev. Charles Edward Parks



Service

Friday, July 9, 2021

1:00PM

Maple Creek Missionary Baptist

Greer, South Carolina

Rev. Earl D. Simmons, Sr., Pastor



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Order of Service

Presiding.....Rev. Stephanie Mayfield
Processional.....The Parks Family
Selection.....Maple Creek Choir

The Scripture Readings

Old Testament.....Rev. Jerome Franklin
New Testament.....Rev. Mary Durham
Prayer of Comfort.....Rev. Jerry Corbett
Solo.....Mr. Robert Duckett
Church Resolution.....Deaconess Mary Greer
Remarks.....Rev. Jerome Franklin
Deacon Harrison, Brotherhood
Elder Eric Parks, Family
Solo.....Mr. Patrick Brooks
Words of Comfort.....Rev. Earl D. Simmons, Sr.
Solo.....Mrs. Brenda Robinson
Closing Prayer.....Rev. Earl D. Simmons, Sr.
Recessional.....The Parks Family and Friends

Repast after service in the Fellowship Hall

Honorary Floral Bearers
Greenville Minister Wives & Widows

Floral Bearers
Deaconess & Missionary

Pall Bearers
Deacons & Brotherhood

Life Profile

Rev. Charles E. Parks, of Greenville, South Carolina, passed Saturday, July 3, 2021 peacefully at his home surrounded by his loving family. He was born in Earle, Arkansas on May 6, 1933 to the late Nathaniel and Julia Parks. He was four years younger than his only sister.

In 1942, the family moved from Arkansas to Boston, Massachusetts, where Charles received his formal education. Also, while there, he joined Metropolitan Baptist Church of Boston. He confessed his faith at an early age. As head of the house, he was the first to lead his young family to church every Sunday. He was a faithful member and served on the Usher board. Charles was gainfully employed and began working at the Hood Rubber Company now known as B F Goodrich for many years. After Hood Rubber Company; he began working for Carling Black Label Brewery of Natick, MA. Charles later moved to Syracuse, NY and began working at Anheuser-Busch until retiring.

After retiring, he moved to Cheraw, SC, where he joined Pee Dee Union Baptist Church. This is where he accepted God's call to preach. He received his license and was ordained by Pastor Rev. Jerry D. Corbett.

On July 8th 2007, he married his loving and devoted wife Mary S. Flowers. Shortly after that, he moved to Greenville, SC and became a dedicated member of Maple Creek Missionary Baptist Church.

At the youthful age of 74, he graduated from Morris College in Sumter, SC, where he advanced in their Ministerial extension program. Charles was a true servant of God until his health began to decline. He would often visit the sick no matter where they were. He was a dedicated Vacation Bible School Teacher, who lead many souls to Christ by going over the Sinner's Prayer with them. He served communion to the sick and shut-in. Most importantly, he would offer a word of prayer.

The Legacy left behind includes his wife Mary Parks; his eight children, Harry, Beverly, Thomas (Donna), Paulette, Donald (Tammy), Ronald, Eric and Kirk; his sister Mary Lackland; step children, Sandra (Donald) Flowers, Latonya (William) Greenlee, Cornelius (Yolanda) Flowers and Cornell (Toni) Flowers; 34 grandchildren; 38 great grandchildren and five great-great grandchildren; God daughter Keisha Dubose-Blocker; along with a host of other family and friends.

Along with his parents, he was preceded in death by his son, Charles Parks, Jr; and two granddaughters Vanisha Parks and China Louise Parks.

Acknowledgement

The family of the late Rev. Charles E. Parks would like to thank everyone for their continued love and support of them during their time of bereavement.

The Parks Family