



Gardenia Susan Parker

August 19, 1947 - April 29, 2019

Gardenia Susan Parker, affectionately known as Tootie, was born August 19, 1947 to Mrs. Ethel Hampton Parker in Rimini, SC, Clarendon County. Gardenia departed this life April 29, 2019 at Overlook Hospital in Summit, NJ. Gardenia graduated from Scott's Branch High School in Summerton, SC. She went on to receive a Bachelor's Degree in Business Management from Bloomfield College and a Master's Degree in Early Childhood Development from Kean University.

Gardenia retired from AT&T after for more than 20 years. She became a beloved Special Education Teacher at Dr. Antonia Pantoja School No. 27 in Elizabeth, NJ. As a teacher, she will be remembered for her unwavering dedication to her students.

Gardenia is survived by her mother, Mrs. Ethel Parke; 3 sons, Brodus, Baldwin, and Darnell; 4 sisters, Lelia Barlow, Ethel Barnes, Reverend Theola Parker, and Geneva Mitchell (Ray); 2 brothers, Charlie Parker and Lendell Parker, and her grandchildren.

Visitation services will be held Tuesday, May 7, 2019, at McCracken Funeral Home, 1500 Morris Ave., Union, NJ, 3-5 pm and 7-9 pm. Funeral services will be held in South Carolina. Local arrangements by Anderson Funeral Service.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 7. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

McCracken Funeral Home
1500 Morris Avenue
Union, NJ 07083

Visitation

MAY 7. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Gardenia Susan Parker*

September 22, 2022 at 02:41 PM



“ *Gardenia was a dedicated teacher and a great friend. She loved showcasing her students' work. Her strength, wisdom and her sense of humor came through in all her conversations. She would make the time to speak with me in the mornings, and she would smile at the end of the day. I believe her smile was an indication that she had done her best work today! May she rest in peace!*



*Forever in my heart,
Ms. Haase*

Sandra Haase - May 07, 2019 at 01:32 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gardenia Susan Parker.*



May 07, 2019 at 01:30 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Gardenia Susan Parker.



May 06, 2019 at 07:20 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of Gardenia Susan Parker.



May 06, 2019 at 01:20 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Gardenia Susan Parker.



May 06, 2019 at 12:41 PM



“ *Lana Nguyen lit a candle in memory of Gardenia Susan Parker*



Lana Nguyen - May 05, 2019 at 09:06 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gardenia Susan Parker.* ”



May 05, 2019 at 07:18 PM