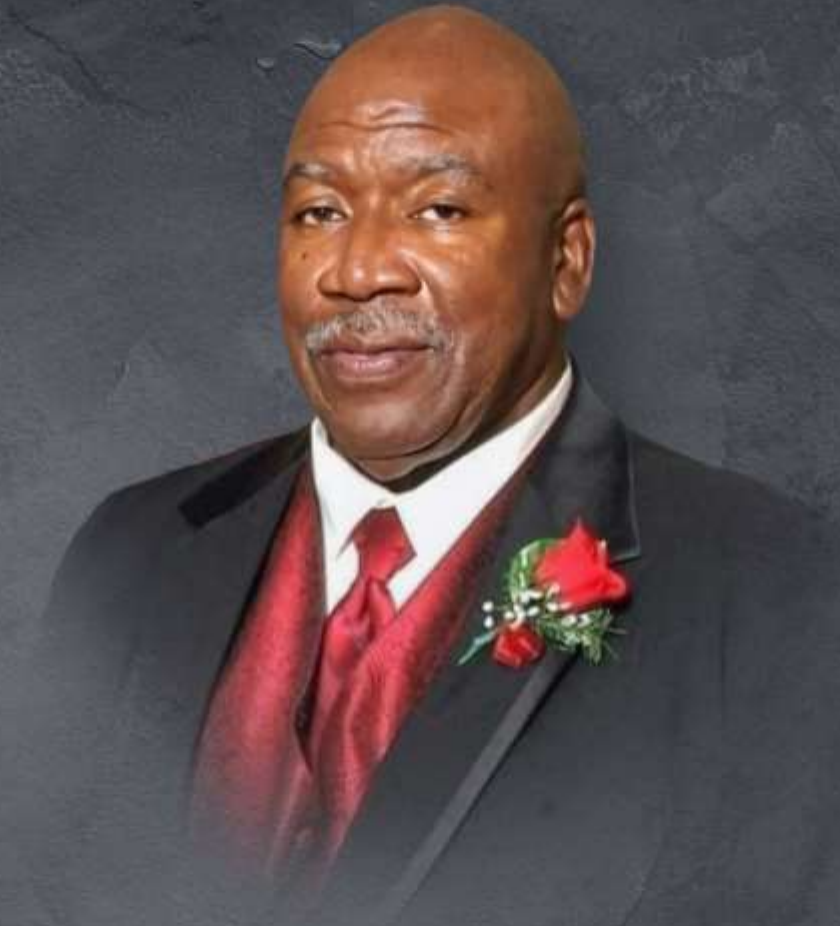


*Celebration of Life
for*

MR. JAMES CLARENCE PARKER



**TUESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2024
12:00 NOON**

**ZION PILGRIM BAPTIST CHURCH
1609 ZION AVENUE
COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA**

**REVEREND WILLIE J. DAVIS, JR.
-PASTOR-**

Honorary Pallbearers

Men of Zion Pilgrim Baptist Church Choir
and Trustees

Pallbearers

Nephews

Floral Bearers

Pastor's Aide Committee

Acknowledgement

To Pastor and First Lady Davis, Officers, Trustees, Members, and friends, on behalf of the family of Trustee James C. Parker, we are very appreciative of all acts of kindness shown to us during this time of sadness. To the hospitality committee: Sis. Dorothy Morant, Andrena Richardson, Juliette Dreher, Betty Brown, Celia Nesbitt, Gisele Price (church wife), and Trustee Larry Tucker, thank you, thank you, thank you for always taking such good care of Trustee Parker at church functions. May God richly bless each of you!

Yours In Faith, The Parker Family



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Reflections of the Life of Mr. James Clarence Parker

Mr. James Clarence Parker was born on May 9, 1947, in Durham, North Carolina. He was the youngest child of the late Octaba Parker-Mitchell. He departed this earthly life on Tuesday, December 27, 2023.

Trustee Parker was educated in the public schools of York County, South Carolina and graduated from York Road High School. He enlisted in the United States Army at Fort Jackson, South Carolina, and served in the Vietnam War. After his tour of service ended, he made Lancaster, South Carolina his home. He worked many jobs in the Charlotte area. He retired after many dedicated years working for MetroTech of Charlotte, North Carolina.

Trustee Parker was baptized at Zion Pilgrim Baptist Church on November 2, 2014 in Columbia, South Carolina by the late Willie M. Duggan. He was a member of the Men of Zion Choir, the Trustee Board, and the Pastor's Aide Ministry. He was an active member, committed and dedicated, until his health declined. He also enjoyed golfing, dancing, and watching old western movies.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Octaba Parker-Mitchell.

Trustee James Clarence (JC) Parker leaves to mourn his passing; his loving and devoted wife, Rachael W. Parker, of Lancaster, South Carolina; a step-daughter, Kelly (Bodyguard) Brooks, of Columbia, South Carolina; two stepsons, Demetrish A Jenkins and Corey Jenkins, both of Columbia, South Carolina; a brother, Robert Parker, of Columbia, South Carolina; a sister, Patricia Clawson of Detroit, Michigan, two nieces, Marty Davidson, of Oak Point, Texas and Sylvia Taylor of Clinton Township, Michigan; four nephews, Fred Parker, of Johnson City, Tennessee, Taras Parker and Mario Parker, both of Columbia, South Carolina and John Clawson of Detroit, Michigan; four sisters-in-law, Carrie Jordan of East Orange, New Jersey; Carol and Janifer Williams, both of Elizabeth, New Jersey, and Rita (Donald) Counts of Columbia, South Carolina; brothers-in-law, Major Hamilton and Dwight Williams, both of Columbia, South Carolina. 9 grandchildren; 2 great-grandchildren; nieces; nephews; great-nieces; great-nephews; cousins; and many other loving relatives and caring friends, all of whom will miss him dearly.

MY JOURNEY'S JUST BEGUN

Don't think of me as gone away
My journey's just begun
Life holds so many facets
This earth is but one
Just think of me as resting
From the sorrows and the tears
In a place of warmth and comfort
Where there are no days and years
Think of how I must be wishing
That you could know today
How nothing but your sadness
Can really go away
And think of me as living
In the hearts of those I touched
For nothing loved is ever lost
And I know I was loved so much.

-Anonymous

Memories



ORDER OF SERVICE

Prelude

Processional

Opening Hymn "How Great Is Our God"
Men of Zion

Scriptures Reading:
Old TestamentRev. Charles Chambers
New TestamentDr. James Leysath

Prayer.....Minister Henrietta Deloris Smith

Selection "Somewhere To Lay My Head"
Men of Zion

Remarks (Three minutes, Please):
Deacon Brett Porterfield
Trustee Ronald Benjamin
Deacon Lloyd Parker
Deacon Robert Parker

Selection "It Was A Great Thing"
Men of Zion

Words of ComfortPastor Willie J. Davis, Jr.

Recessional "Have Your Way Lord"
Men of Zion

Postlude



Committal, Benediction, and Interment

2:00 p.m.
Fort Jackson National Cemetery
4170 Percival Road
Columbia, South Carolina

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