Acknowledgements

Pallbearers

Percy Durham Jr.
Stanley Durham, Sr.
Richard C. Durham
Alex Madkins, Jr.
Dale Durham
Corey Durham, Sr.
Alex Madkins, Sr.
Deonn McKay

Flower Girls

Maydee Jones
Dionne L. Sanders
Denise Byrd
Teneca Morgan
Faith Garza
Monique Epps- Honorary

Video/Technology Specialists
Kali Woods, Sage Woods, True Vine Ministries Inc

Music
True Vine Ministries Inc

Florist
Brandt Flowers, Oklahoma City

Funeral Services
Temple & Sons Funeral Directors Inc

Burial Services
Hillcrest Memory Gardens, Spencer, OK

The Parker, Woods, Phillips, and Durham families would like to express our sincere gratitude to everyone who supported us during this difficult time. You will forever be remembered for your kindness and sincere contributions to this day of remembrance.

Interment- Mr. Willie J. Parker will be laid to rest with his beloved Ella L. Parker at a later date to be witnessed by their children and immediate family.

IN LOVING MEMORY



WILLIE J. PARKER
"WILLIE J."

SUNRISE: DECEMBER 14, 1932
SUNSET: JANUARY 25, 2022

February 4, 2022
at
11:00 am

True Vine Ministries, Inc., 3701 Spencer Road, Spencer, Oklahoma 73084

Pastor, C. J. Lubin Officiating

Obituary

Willie James Parker was born in Okmulgee, Oklahoma on December 14, 1932. His parents were Leola Chapple and Arb Parker. To their union five children were born: Arb (Deceased), Bob (Deceased) Wilbur (Deceased), Videl (Deceased) and Willie. After his father's death, Leola remarried Henry Epps. Three children were added to the family tree. Elmer (Wasco, CA), Andrew (Unknown) and Elsie (Deceased).

Willie worked on his family farm and loved to catch fish as a young child. In 1949, he left Okmulgee Oklahoma to go to Arizona in pursuit of work. He returned to Oklahoma City in 1950, where he met Norma Glen Thomas. It was love at first sight. He courted her during her senior year of high school. They were married for 30 wonderful years. Willie and Norma had four children (Kathy (Deceased), Anthony(Deceased), Marian (Oklahoma City, OK) and Alasha Woods (Las Vegas, NV).

In his roaring twenties, Willie went to work at Wilson Packing Company as a butcher. He remained there for 40 years until he retired in September of 1992.

Willie accepted Christ when he was 20 years old at Fifth Street Baptist Church in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. His greatest testimony shared was God taking hold of him and changing his heart when he joined True Vine Baptist Church Mission in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Growing daily in the knowledge of Christ, Willie loved reading his Bible and serving as a Sunday school teacher and trustee at True Vine Baptist Church, Spencer, Oklahoma. Willie attended church regularly with his family and fellowshipped with Christian believers over the many wonderful years. He was a true believer in the Word of God.

Willie James Parker married Ella Louise Phillips, his truly beloved, to whom he was united 37 blessed years. He raised two step-sons, Victor Phillips (Oklahoma City, OK) and Gerard Phillips (Oklahoma City, OK) whom he reared to become proud gentlemen and fathers. Willie and Ella enjoyed their nine grandchildren and many great-grandchildren. Willie was loved and cherished by many extended family members and friends.

Willie James Parker left a fine example of walking the straight and narrow path with God while enjoying life to the fullest. His was a life well lived. We celebrate his promotion to be with our Heavenly Father.

Willie J. Parker is survived by two siblings, four children, eleven grandchildren, and many great-grandhildren; nieces, nephews, great-nieces and nephews, and great-great nieces and nephews; cousins, great and great-great cousins. He was truly blessed beyond measure.

Order of Service

Processional:
Ministers
Funeral Director
Family
Ushers

Scripture Reading
Old Testament: Proverbs 3:5
New Testament: Romans 5: 1-3

Prayer: Pastor, C.J. Lubin

Song: Your Grace and Mercy
Mississippi Mass Choir

Reading of Obituary: Mrs. Danita Ramsey

Song: *Amazing Grace*- Piano Instrumental

Eulogy: Reverend David Ramsey

Life Reflection Video- *I Can Only Imagine*-
Mercy Me

Parting Glance
Songs: *I'll Fly Away* – William's Brothers (Congregational)
How Great Thou Art- CeCe Winans



Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord!

You Will Always Be Watched Over and Loved...

Children

Marian Parker
Alasha Woods (Parker)
Gerard Phillips
Victor Phillips

Siblings

Andrew Epps
Elmer Epps

Brother/Sister In-laws

Percy Durham, Jr.
Stanley Durham, Sr.
Ed & Gayle Lindsay
June Epps
Brenda Durham
Ora Morgan
Alex & Lenora Madkins, Sr.
Richard C. Durham
Harold Durham

Grandchildren

Dionne L. Sanders (Woods)
Sage Ashton Woods
Kali Monet Woods
Rapheon Parker-Bynum
Montrell Phillips
Shelton Zoth
Makayla Bradshaw
Isaiah Phillips
Elijah Phillips
Jaydon Bradshaw
Kobe Phillips

Great Grandchildren

Kyree Zoth
Kya Phillips
Karmello Phillips
Kayson Vonpghakdy