

I knew the day I met you that you were special. You stole my heart with your outspoken personality. I'm going to miss our conversations, your words of wisdom, your encouragement and motherly advice. You are irreplaceable which makes losing you incredibly painful. I love you dearly. Until we meet again, rest well Momma Lora.

You will always have a special place in my heart.

Your Girl Michelle

To my lovely mom, Lora Janice Parker my greatness, my princess

My life, my everything words can't explain my pain, my grief, my sorrow, I faced many situations in my life moma but I wasn't ready for this, it breaks me moma took a lot out of everyone you are truly loved forever hug everyone for us until we get there you are in our hearts forever, love you mom, hugs n kisses

Kerry Lewis

Mama Love, we grew up knowing that there was no one more impressive in our lives than you. You were our mother, our father, our protector and provider. You were the magic that mesmerized the minds of six young boys in a world where the impossible was believed to be real. You taught us nothing was impossible, and we have believed it! You are great, in that we are here as a result of your greatness. A day will not pass that we will not think of you and how in awe we are of you.

Your Son Travis

## To My Dear Sweet NaNa

As I write this letter I can't hold back the tears that fall from my eyes, or the smile that forms when I think of all the wonderful memories we have together. I can close my eyes and see your smile, hear your voice, and your laugh. You will forever be a part of me, because everything you taught me remains inside of me. You were a very special woman and a blessing to anyone who got to know you. Everytime I talked to you I can hear the love in your voice, we were hundreds of miles away but I can see your smile through the phone. I can honestly say you are my favorite person, my heart will have a special place for you. As I prepare my myself to say Goodbye, I remind myself that it's see you later. Rest In Peace Nana you did a great job. Love you

Terriana

Mom, often times you expressed how you felt as if you failed us. In fact, you went above and beyond. You prepared us properly and I cannot imagine what more you could have done. You tought us etiquette, manners, respect, kindness, toughness, compassion, you tought us to be self sufficient and independent. You demanded that we become MEN and you did not fail.. You prepared us for a life that we knew nothing of. A wisdom thats prevy to Godliness. I am forever grateful, im fortunate, im undeserving of you. Your heart was from afar, unusual and unfamiliar. Your goodness, your instincts and ability to mother was Godly. I will grieve for the rest of my days. This generation is desperately in need of you and I grieve for them also. You wanted me to pick up where I left of and as I live and breathe I will finish what I started. Forever will I LOVE YOU.

YOU ARE MY FIRST LOVE and my greatest inspiration.

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I just want to let you know Nana you mean the world to me Only a heart as dear as yours would give so unselfishly For all the many things you've done All the times you were there to help me I know deep down inside how much u cared to be my Grandmother I adore u for that Nana I know for sure how Richly Blessed I am to have a grandmother like u Your 1st Granddaughter

Ebony



Lora Janice Parker was born October 6, 1945 to Sammy Parker and Theresa Palmer in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. At an early age she professed her life in Christ at Allen Chapel AME.

Lora graduated from Douglas High School in 1962. She received an associate degree from Southwest Junior College in sociology. In the early 2000s, Laura went back to school and earned a bachelors degree in education.

Lora married Lewis Charles Birdine (Billy) and she raised six boys. She dedicated her life to her sons encouraging them in sports, school, spiritual upbringing, love of animals and of their fellow human beings.

She owned and operated her own diner in the heart of south-central Los Angeles. Serving the working and nonworking neighbors, breakfast, lunch, and dinner from sunrise to sunset. Lora spent the last 40 years of her life working in early childhood development, mostly with the Headstart program. She had a passion and a gift in this profession.

Lora Janice Parker had a loving spirit. She never met a stranger. Her many talents including the ability to decorate homes, parties, and creative writing (she published an article for the Edmond Sun). Lora had a great sense of humor. She loved Motown music and her favorite artist was Al Green.

Lora leaves to cherish her memories her sons, Terrance Jerome Green (Karen), Tracy Charles Birdine (Valerie), Travis Wayne Washington (Michelle), Kerry Lewis Birdine (Sharon), Kristen Leroy Birdine (Ary); brothers: Kenneth Parker, Anthony Parker; sisters: Jerrie Griffin, Gloria Scoff, Janice Parker, Lajunda Scott, and Cynthia Miles. She was proceeded in death by her parents Theresa McNeely and Samuel Parker Sr., brothers, Ray Gene Palmer, Samuel Parker Jr., Vernon Parker, and her son Kenny Ray Birdine.

She will be remembered by a host of grand and great grandchildren, and cousins who cherish her memories as well.

Monday, March 1, 2021 at 11:00am Earl M. Temple Memorial Chapel 2801 N. Kelley Avenue, Oklahoma City, OK 73111

## Onder of Service

Processional
Ministers, Funeral Directors, Family

**Opening Prayer**Pastor Corey Colbert

Scripture Reading
Old & New Testament
Pastor Karen Green

Musical Selection
Amazing Grace

Resolution and Acknowledgements
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**Expressions**Pastor Corey Colbert

**Eulogy**Pastor Terrance Green

Video Tribute

Parting View & Recessional
Ministers, Funeral Directors, Family



















