



## Joyce A. Parker

March 28, 1944 - February 25, 2026

Joyce Arlene (Hall) Parker, daughter of James N. Hall and Lueva (Hilliard) Hall, was born on March 28, 1944, in Philadelphia, PA. The second of two daughters, she shared a lifelong bond with her older sister Janice. She attended Philadelphia public schools and graduated from Overbrook High School in 1962.

Joyce began her professional life as an executive assistant at GlaxoSmithKline (formerly SmithKline Beecham), supporting the early years of her and Leroy's relationship and marriage. She worked full-time while Leroy completed night school at Drexel — a testament to her unwavering commitment to their shared future.

After the birth of her daughters, Joyce embraced the role of full-time mother, a role that brought her immense joy. She loved volunteering in their schools, from first grade through high school graduation. Joyce was a familiar and caring presence throughout the school, not only for Aisha and Shani but also becoming a loving support system for many of their friends as well.

She loved doing her crossword puzzles, watching her soaps and bowling, until rheumatoid arthritis forced her to step back. Joyce found creative fulfillment in the Civic Black Theater in Kalamazoo, MI, where she proudly performed as one of the leading ladies in the play *Steal Away*.

Wherever she lived, Joyce built deep and lasting friendships, keeping in touch through letters, Christmas cards, and occasional calls. Though not a long-talker on the phone (except with her sister), when she reconnected with

old friends, it was as if no time had passed at all.

Joyce loved movies—especially black-and-white classics her daughters called “old timey.” She never tired of watching films she loved, including Casablanca, Gone with the Wind, and The Godfather I and II (she didn’t care for Part III). She shared her love of cinema with her daughters, creating treasured moments of laughter, tears, suspense, and the occasional jump at a good scare in a horror film.

She prayed quietly, spoke her mind, and lived with purpose. As an Aries, the fire within her was evident—fiercely protective, loving, witty, and deeply loyal. Her humor was sharp, her parenting practical and sometimes delightfully sarcastic, and her heart wide open to those in her trusted circle. She laughed loudly, loved softly, and worshipped privately. She will be remembered for her strength, her loyalty, and her deep love for Leroy, who was truly her whole world.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR **21**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

March Life Tribute Center, P.A. - Laurel  
7601 Sandy Spring Road  
Laurel, MD 20707  
(301) 490-1550  
<https://www.marchlifetributecenter.com>

## Memorial Service

MAR **21**. 3:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *The joint Memorial Service for Leroy and Joyce Parker on March 21st at 3pm eastern will be webcasted.*



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**March Life Tribute Centers - Laurel** - January 10 at 11:48 AM

TV

*Send my condolences to the family and sending hugs  
Love you family  
Tonya Phoenix Vetino*

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**Tonya Phoenix Vetino** - March 20 at 02:27 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Leroy W. Parker Jr..*

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March 20 at 12:19 PM



“ *Pink Potpourri Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joyce A. Parker.*



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March 20 at 12:19 PM

AF

“ Amber Myers & Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Joyce A. Parker.



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**Amber Myers & Family** - March 20 at 01:10 AM

AF

“ Amber Myers & Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joyce A. Parker.

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**Amber Myers & Family** - March 20 at 01:10 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Joyce A. Parker.

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March 19 at 10:16 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Joyce A. Parker.



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March 19 at 10:16 PM

MS

“ Minnie S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Leroy W. Parker Jr..

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**Minnie S.** - March 18 at 06:08 PM

MS

“ *Minnie S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joyce A. Parker.*

Minnie S. - March 18 at 06:06 PM

PP

“ *Priscilla and Sherman Parker planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Leroy W. Parker Jr..*

Priscilla and Sherman Parker - March 18 at 12:43 PM

PP

“ *Priscilla and Sherman Parker planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joyce A. Parker.*

Priscilla and Sherman Parker - March 18 at 12:41 PM

SP

“ *Sincerely, Joshua & Martha Pruden planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Leroy W. Parker Jr..*

Sincerely, Joshua & Martha Pruden - March 16 at 03:21 PM

SP

“ *Sincerely, Joshua & Martha Pruden purchased the Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray for the family of Joyce A. Parker.*



Sincerely, Joshua & Martha Pruden - March 16 at 03:21 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Joyce A. Parker.



March 09 at 08:53 PM



“ I'm going to miss your sternness and how confident you were regarding financial decisions.....I'm going to miss the way with every dinner you had to have bread and butter....rest in peace

Eric Parker - March 06 at 10:48 AM



“ Im going to miss our talks we used to have and the way you never missed a day of soap operas.... whatever you were doing you stopped at 1230 time for soaps... Rest in peace

Eric Parker - March 06 at 10:45 AM



“ To the family, you are in my heart, my thoughts, and my prayers. I will always romanticize Leroy & Joyce's relationship as our family's version of "The Notebook" 💕💕 Rest well Mr & Mrs Parker. 🕊️

Carolyn Phoenix Dixon - March 04 at 09:22 PM



“ Together again for eternity!! ❤️❤️🙏

Rita

Rita Wilson - March 04 at 08:58 PM

LK

“ Condolences from Guy and Leroy King to the family and friends of cousin Leroy. May time and prayers comfort you at this time.

Leroy King - January 23 at 06:21 PM

PH

“ It was an honor to know you Mr. Parker. We will miss you!  
Your friends at Collington.

Phoebe - January 20 at 05:13 PM

SC

“ There are so many wonderful memories of my big brother he was very protective of I his sisters he was my second daddy miss you and love you Leroy



Sylvia Copeland - January 20 at 12:26 AM

RW

“ I will hold on to all our memories until we meet again!

Love you forever,  
Rita 🙏❤️

Rita Wilson - January 16 at 04:07 PM

PP

Missing you both until we meet again. You two were meant to be together in Gods House ,love u both

Priscilla. Parker - March 04 at 09:39 PM

SC

*Together always the love y'all shared was awesome and a good example for us all rest with God ❤️*

**Sylvia Copeland** - March 04 at 11:23 PM

SP

*With all the great things u are the greatest Big Brother that a little brother could ever have .Love you to the Moon and Back with all my Heart LIL Bro ( Heads)*

**Sherman Parker** - March 19 at 07:11 PM

SP

*Will Always Love My Big Bro Leroy until we meet again ( thead)*

**Sherman Parker** - March 19 at 07:14 PM