



The Memorial Service for
Norma “Jean” Brooks

Sunrise:
January 10, 1950



Sunset:
October 9, 2023

Monday, October 23, 2023
Family Hour: 10:00 a.m. | Service: 11:00 a.m.

From the Heart Church Ministries® | 4949 Allentown Road | Suitland, Maryland 20746
Bishop John A. Cherry, II - Pastor



Obituary

Norma "Jean" Brooks was born on January 10, 1950, in Washington, D.C. She was the eldest child of the late Norman F. Brooks and Bernadine Newman.

Jean began her educational journey in the District of Columbia Public Schools where she acquired a solid foundation for her lifelong love of learning. She pursued her dreams with determination and ultimately became a registered nurse working in the Washington metropolitan area, Michigan, and Georgia.

Jean was a compassionate and caring woman who touched the lives of countless patients and their families. After joining From the Heart Church Ministries® in 2015, she continued to impact others by serving in the Helps and Nursing Ministries.

Beyond her career, Jean had a deep passion for life. She was an avid traveler who loved the Caribbean and African cultures. She also lived in Flint, Michigan and Atlanta, Georgia, for periods of time. Her heart was always in Atlanta, and it was her intention to relocate there someday. She delighted in mentoring and guiding the youth she encountered along her journey. Jean was also known for her expertise in antiques, with an impressive knowledge of the history of furniture, clothing, chinaware, and jewelry. She enjoyed collecting these treasures and shared her appreciation with others in her antique shops, until health issues prevented her from continuing this beloved pursuit.

Jean will be dearly missed by those who knew and loved her. She leaves to cherish her memories her only child, Nichole Brooks; special friends: Jeanette Mayo, Angie Hamlet, Paulette Smith and Tink Richardson; goddaughters, Sharetta Hamlet and Ravin Mayo; longtime best friend, Ilauna Ogunloye; sisters, Shereese Smith (Ronnie) and Andrea Jones; brothers: Norman Wayne Brooks, Gregory Brooks, Keith Brooks, and Carl Jones (Willa); nieces: Shereese Brooks, Uvonda Brooks, Cassidy Smith, Nikki Green, Sherlita Jones and Yvette Rooth (Juan); nephews: Greg Brooks, Jr., Greg Brooks, III (Taniesha), Keith Brooks, Jr. (Jasmine), Kevin Brooks, Kory Brooks and Carl Jones, Jr.; fourteen great-nieces; great-nephews; and a great-great-niece.

Jean was preceded in death by her brother, Eric Brooks; and niece, Alicia Jones.



Order of Service

Invocation

Congregational Hymn “Amazing Grace”

Scripture Reading

Old Testament: Psalm 23
New Testament: John 14:1-6

Prayer of Comfort

Selection *FTH Psalmist*

Acknowledgements

Obituary (Read Silently)

Song of Preparation *FTH Psalmist*

Message of Hope *Minister John Coffie, Jr.*

Call to Christ

Recessional



Congregational Hymn

Amazing Grace

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound;
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found;
was blind but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear,
the hour I first believed.

The Lord has promised good to me,
His word my hope secures,
He will my shield and portion be,
as long as life endures.

When we've been there ten thousand years,
bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise,
than when we first begun.



Family Sentiments

Mom,

*You never said I'm leaving
You never said goodbye
You were gone before I knew it,
And only God knew why
A million times I needed you,
A million times a cried
If love alone would have saved you
You never would have died
In life I loved you dearly
In death I love you still
In my heart you hold a place,
That no one could ever fill
It broke my heart to lose you,
But you didn't go alone
For a part of me went with you,
The day God took you home.*

Love Always,

Your daughter, Nichole









Acknowledgment

*The family of Norma Jean Brooks acknowledges with deep appreciation every act of kindness and expression of love shown to us during our time of bereavement. May God richly bless you.
We love you all.*

Flower Bearers

Family and Friends

Services Entrusted to:

Pope Funeral Home
5538 Marlboro Pike
District Heights, Maryland 20747

