



Valorie Patricia Parsons

July 14, 1950 - December 27, 2025

Valorie's Story

Valorie Patricia Parsons, affectionately known as “Val,” a devoted mother, sister, aunt, grandmother, great grandmother, and great aunt, peacefully departed this life Saturday afternoon, December 27, 2025, at Tidal Health Peninsula Regional Hospital in Salisbury, Maryland. She was seventy-five (75) years old.

Valorie was born on July 14, 1950, in Parksley, Virginia to the late Clifton and Margaret “Maggie” Matthews. The youngest of thirteen children, she was educated in the public schools of Accomack County, Virginia.

Valorie worked at H&H Poultry, which is now Mountaire Farms, in Selbyville, Delaware. She also worked at the Greenway Hotel in Salisbury, Maryland. Valorie eventually became a homemaker, dedicating her life to raising her children and caring for her husband.

Valorie had a deep love for plants and flowers. Her greatest passion was cooking, especially for her family and friends, whom she loved dearly.

She was preceded in death by her husband of forty-four (44) years, Charles O. Parsons, her brothers, James, Clifton, Jr. and Robert Matthews and her

sisters, Ada Matthews, Barbara Brown, Elizabeth Turner and Margaret Tull.

Valorie leaves a legacy of love, strength, and cherished memories to her children: John and Danielle Parsons, Charles Oliver Parsons III, Ashley and Carl Anderson, Jacquelyn Parsons, Charlett and Ty Cheeks, and granddaughter, Alexis Parsons, whom she lovingly raised — all of Salisbury, Maryland, Leslie and Donald Green of Fruitland, Maryland, Samantha Matthews of Federalsburg, Maryland, Rosetta and Derrick (Rick) Mills of Mocksville, North Carolina and Valorie and Clarence Thomas of Hurlock, Maryland. She is also survived by her brother, Emmanuel Matthews of Salisbury, Maryland, sisters-in-law, Loretta Matthews of Camden, New Jersey, Jacqueline Johnson of Hainesport, New Jersey and Robert “Bob” and Ardella Johnson of San Antonio, Texas who have been a brother and sister to Valorie for forty-six (46) years.

Her memory will continue to be treasured by her twenty-three grandchildren, eleven great grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, extended family members, and friends.

Valorie’s life was one of quiet strength, unwavering love, and deep devotion to her family. Her legacy lives in the hearts of all who knew and loved her.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JAN **24**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Bennie Smith Life Celebration Center
901 West Isabella Street
Salisbury, MD 21801

Tribute Wall



“ *View and Download the Funeral Program*

Bennie Smith Funeral Home - January 23 at 10:36 AM



“ *Bennie Smith Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Valorie Patricia Parsons*



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“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Valorie Patricia Parsons.*



January 23 at 02:18 PM



“ *Eddie Gillis III and Family purchased the Pretty PI ease for the family of Valorie Patricia Parsons.*



Eddie Gillis III and Family - January 15 at 06:10 PM

WI

“ Women Veteran Interactive planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Valorie Patricia Parsons.

Women Veteran Interactive - January 13 at 08:18 PM

WI

“ Women Veteran Interactive purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Valorie Patricia Parsons.



Women Veteran Interactive - January 13 at 08:18 PM

AV

“ Aunt Van purchased the Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses for the family of Valorie Patricia Parsons.



Aunt Van - January 13 at 07:53 PM

MF

“ Mom Mills & Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Valorie Patricia Parsons.



Mom Mills & Family - January 10 at 03:38 PM

DB

“ *My deepest condolences to the family and friends who had the privilege of sharing life with her. Rosetta, you are constantly in my thoughts and prayers.*

Dez Bell



Dez Bell - January 08 at 01:28 PM

RM

Thank you so much, Dez. Your prayers and kindness mean more than you know. My family and I are holding on to the love she poured into all of us, and messages like yours bring real comfort. I truly appreciate you keeping us lifted.

Rosetta C. Mills - January 09 at 12:48 PM

FT

“ *Faith Tull-Church lit a candle in memory of Valorie Patricia Parsons*



Faith Tull-Church - January 08 at 11:32 AM

DC

“ *Deidra Collins lit a candle in memory of Valorie Patricia Parsons*



Deidra Collins - January 08 at 11:15 AM

DC

“ My Dear Godsister Rosie,

I'm holding you close in my heart as you navigate the loss of your mother. I know how deeply you loved her, and I pray you feel her presence in the quiet moments, the memories, and the strength she poured into you. May God wrap you and your family in comfort and give you peace that steadies you day by day. Please know you're not walking this alone sis, I'm here for you, with love and support always.

Deidra

Deidra Collins - January 08 at 11:06 AM

RM

Thank you so much, Deidra. Your words and your prayers truly touch my heart. I'm leaning on the strength my mother gave me and trusting God to carry my family through this season. Knowing I'm not walking it alone means more than I can express. I appreciate your love and support.

Rosetta C. Mills - January 09 at 01:05 PM

KW

“ Sending deep condolences to my friend Ashley and family !!

Kia W - January 08 at 07:18 AM

MB

“ Rosie, Im so sorry to hear of your Mom's passing. The poem and lovely words expressed clearly describes your love for her. Keep memories of her in your heart and she will always be with you. She's with her husband and in the arms of our Savior. Aunt Van

Mamie Boyd - January 07 at 07:04 PM

RM

Thank you so much, Aunt Van. Your words mean more than you know. Writing about Mom was hard, but it also reminded me of just how much love and strength she poured into all of us. I'm holding tight to those memories, and it brings me comfort to know she's reunited with her husband and resting safely in the arms of our Savior. I truly appreciate your love and support during this time.

Rosetta C. Mills - January 07 at 07:18 PM

CH

“ Ms. Valorie was like a mother to me. As our neighbor growing up there are many memories to hold on to. To my sisters, and brothers you have my deepest condolences. 🌹 🌹

Celestine Harris - January 07 at 12:42 PM

R(

Thank you so much sis, for sharing this. It means a great deal to know how much my mother poured into others and how deeply she was loved. We appreciate your condolences and the memories you hold of her. Your words bring comfort to our family.

Rosetta Mills (Daughter) - January 07 at 06:37 PM

TW

“ Sorry For Your Loss



Thomas Widgeon - January 06 at 07:28 AM

RM

“ *In the Quiet of My Heart*
In the hush before the morning light,
I feel your warmth, though you're out of sight.
Your laughter lingers in the air,
A gentle whisper, everywhere.
The hands that held me, soft and strong,
Still guide me when the nights feel long.
Your love, a flame that will not fade,
Shines through the shadows life has made.
Though time may pull our worlds apart,
You live within my beating heart.
And when my journey's at its end,
I'll see you, Mom—my truest friend.

Rosetta C. Mills - January 05 at 05:00 PM

HM

Rosie, that is so sweet it bring me to tears I realize you are hurting right God got you in his arms. Love you mom Mills

Helen Mills - January 05 at 06:20 PM

JC

Sending my deepest condolences to the entire family and friends. May you rest in eternal peace

Joshua Campbell - January 05 at 06:25 PM

LB

Rosie my sista, you are such a strong woman. May God be with you and the entire family during this very difficult time. You let us know of your need absolutely anything. We love you and we are always available. Prayers and hugs to you all 💔

Lisa Burns - January 05 at 06:28 PM

AL

Rosie, this poem is absolutely beautiful. You captured your mom's love so tenderly the warmth, the guidance, the way she lives in your heart. I felt every line. Thank you for sharing something so personal and powerful. I'm holding you close in prayer and sending love as you walk through this season. Love Anita

Anita Linney - January 05 at 08:41 PM