



## Gertrude Bradley Parham

April 7, 1948 - June 2, 2019

Gertrude Bradley Parham, affectionately known as “Trudy” grew up in Orlando, Florida until she graduated from Jones High School. Gertrude moved to Memphis, Tennessee to attend LeMoyne-Owen (LeMoyne) College, where she received a bachelors degree in sociology/psychology. During her final semester of school, Trudy married Louis Parham (Linda) who eventually became the late Reverend Louis Parham (deceased June, 2018). To this union was born one son, Sidney William Parham.

After college, Trudy and her family resided in Memphis before moving to Columbia, Tennessee. Upon arrival, they joined Mount Lebanon Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of the late David Williams, Sr., Pastor. Sister Trudy spent most of life being a servantleader in her church and community. In her church, Trudy served in different ministries as an alternate teacher for weekly bible study, on the bereavement committee, budget committee, chairperson for Christian education, trustee, usher as needed and occasionally, sang in the choir (smile). In her community, Sis. Trudy was actively participating as, the President of the Women department of Duck River, until her health failed. Even though Trudy was battling her illness, she never gave up, she continued to have Bible Study with her church family every Wednesday night.

Gertrude “Trudy” Parham was the sole proprietor of The Bradley HRT Group, a human resource consulting and training firm, in Nashville and Columbia, Tennessee. Her mission: “Training People to Produce”. Prior to her own business, Trudy was co-owner of Arrival, Inc. She also sold Amway products for a while, and World Book Encyclopedia (during a time when computers didn't exist). Trudy’s last venture was Juice Plus product. Throughout Trudy’s history in Tennessee, she used her professional services to train a lot of people including Pastor Gregory Givens, and other Pastors in the Tennessee area.

Trudy was a special friend, sister, aunt, and cousin to her family, and “we” looked forward to her visits, our spiritual talks, church, educational tours to civil rights museums and theme parks. She will be missed by all of us!

She was preceded in death by parents: Napoleon Bradley, Sr. and Corine Bradley (Crippen), and sister: Patricia F. Johnson. Trudy leaves to mourn her son, Sidney William Parham of Columbia, Tennessee; grandchildren: Deconious Aubreyz Green of Smyrna, Tennessee and Zahriya S. Parham of Murfreesboro, Tennessee; brothers: Neopoleon Bradley, Jr. (Terry) of Douglasville, Georgia, Richard Bradley (Migdalia) of Tampa, Florida, and Anthony Bradley, Sr. (Sharon) of Middleburg, Florida; sisters: Lee E. Taylor and Theresa Haskell (Vance - deceased), both of Orlando, Florida; uncles: Jack Regular (Blanche) and Phillip Banks, all of Orlando, Florida; aunt: Louise Banks (George - deceased); a host of nephews, nieces, cousins and friends in Tennessee, Texas, Michigan, and Orlando, Florida.

# Cemetery Details

## Washington Park Cemetery

2700 Bruton Boulevard  
Orlando, FL 32805

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 14. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Zanders Memorial Chapel  
232 W. Michael Gladden Blvd.  
Apopka, FL 32703  
(407) 886-3388

## Service

JUN 15. 11:00 AM (ET)

Agape Assembly Baptist Church  
2425 North Hiawasse Road  
Orlando, FL 32818

# Tribute Wall



“ *Gertrude Bradley Parham*

October 22, 2023 at 05:49 PM



“ *Trudy was a light in our community. She would stop what she was doing to pray with you. and share Jesus. The spirit was alive in her and she was such a blessing to be with. I will miss you Trudy.*



**Tina Plichta** - June 18, 2019 at 04:17 PM



“ *We will always cherish the memories of such a great servant of her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.  
Charles and Gail Britt*

**Charles Britt** - June 16, 2019 at 07:15 AM

“ June 14, 2019

*Acknowledgement*

*We, the pastor and members, of True Vine Fellowship Baptist Church, would like to extend our heartfelt sympathy to the family of Sis. Trudy Parham. We know that you have suffered a great loss, and we have too, because Sister Trudy was a beautiful lady, who truly loved God and her church family. This was exemplified in the way that she lived and worked for the Lord. Trudy was also one who had a heart full of love that she shared with anyone who was willing to receive it.*

*We cannot fully understand why God calls our family members home to be with Him, but we do know that God, in His infinite wisdom, does know what is best. He cares for us, and He understands our pains and sufferings. And so it was with your loved one. God knew that Sister Trudy had suffered long enough. So, He took away her pains and gently rocked her to sleep in His loving arms, and He took her home to be with Him.*

*Trudy was a special lady who was loved and cherished by her family, her church family and her friends. She was a caring lady, who always did what she could for anyone who needed her. She gave to the best of her ability to anyone who needed her. Sis. Trudy was such a willing worker for the Lord, and this was displayed when she worked as president of the Duck River Women's Missionary Society and other organizations in her church. She leaves beautiful memories for all of us to cherish. Just know that she loved you, and you loved her too. But God truly loved her best.*

*Only God can heal the pain that you are feeling now, but He will give you the comfort and healing that you will need during this time. Please know that our church family will continue to lift you up in prayer.*

*May God forever bless and comfort you is our prayer.*

*Humbly submitted on this the 14th day of June, 2019*

*Rev. Donald L. Coney, Sr., Pastor*

**True Vine Fellowship Baptist Church** - June 14, 2019 at 08:21 PM

  
Heather  
McCarl

“ *Trudy your smile was contagious, & your spirit shined thru to everyone you met.  
Our community will miss you & all you contributed to so many.  
Blessings as you celebrate her life. Heather McCarl, Spring Hill, TN*

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**Heather McCarl** - June 14, 2019 at 01:36 PM

BM

“ *We will miss our dear friend Trudy tremendously! She was always a bright light of encouragement for everyone around her. She also was some much needed comic relief and our memories of her will live on. We are blessed to know her and we are rejoicing with her as she journeys to her eternal home.*

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**Becca Melton** - June 14, 2019 at 01:08 PM

RP

“ *Rev. Regina Taylor, President purchased the Guiding Light Bouquet for the family of Gertrude Bradley Parham.*



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**Rev. Regina Taylor, President** - June 13, 2019 at 02:22 PM

BH

“ Dear Family,

*I just received news of Trudy's death today. I am so sad to hear that she is gone. We grew together in business together for many years in Nashville, TN. and I visited her hometown during that time for a few adventurous business days.*

*I can say without a doubt that the world has lost a bright star. She touched so many lives in a warm and vibrant way. I will always remember her commitment to loving people.*

*I talked with her a few years ago before I left to return to my home town in NC. I pray that she ended well and that the precious memories of her bring warmth and peace in the days to come.*

*God is sovereign. May your sorrows rest in Him.*

*In sadness,*

*Brenda McCoy Hunter*

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**Brenda Hunter** - June 13, 2019 at 02:01 PM



“ Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gertrude Bradley Parham.



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June 10, 2019 at 09:27 AM

DB

“ My memories of Trudy are as a strong Prayer Warrior who loved God and believed in God's promises. I am saddened by the vacancy left in the Christian community when Trudy left us but thank God that our separation is not forever. My prayers are with you Sidney, grandchildren, Theresa and the entire Bradley family. In Christ Love, Rev. Dr. Millicent Black, Columbia. TN

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**Dr. Millicent Black** - June 10, 2019 at 12:20 AM

SG

“ My sister, Gloria Jean Green-Cosby, Dorothy Beale-Lowman and Gertrude were like the Three Musketeers growing up in Griffin Park. I remember them always huddled together and giggling about whatever. Gertrude had a sweet and even tempered personality and a quick smile. The Bradley and Green Family lived in the same Apt. Building # at 715 Avondale Street.

*Shirley Ann Green*

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**Shirley Ann Green** - June 10, 2019 at 12:09 AM