



Mrs. Mary Parks Bass

March 16, 1941 - July 3, 2021

Mary Parks Bass, 80, wife of the late Samuel “Buddy” McCoy Bass, Jr., of Salem, passed away on Saturday, July 3, 2021 at Prisma Health Greenville Memorial Hospital.

A native of Parksville, SC, Mrs. Bass was the daughter of the late Edward Hampton and Frances Lyon Parks. She was a member of Salem Baptist Church.

Mrs. Bass is survived by a son: Coy Bass of Walhalla, SC; daughter: Joy Bass Conley and husband, Mike, of Inman, SC; brother: Joe Hamp Parks and wife, Liz, of Parksville, SC; grandchildren: Mary Kate Conley Donohue and husband, Devin, Rosa Conley, Kendal Conley and Cindy Conley; and brother-in-law: Hugh Goff of Parksville, SC.

In addition to parents and husband, Mrs. Bass is preceded in death by a sister: Sara Goff.

Funeral Services will be held at 3:00 PM, Tuesday, July 6, 2021 at Salem Baptist Church. Graveside services will be held at 11:00 AM, Wednesday, July 7, 2021 at Parksville Baptist Church in Parksville, SC.

The family will receive friends prior to the service from 2:00-3:00 PM,

Tuesday, July 6, 2021 at Salem Baptist Church.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Salem Baptist Church, P.O. Box 89, Salem, SC 29676 or Parksville Baptist Church, 131 Parks-Self Street, Parksville, SC 29844.

The family is at their respective homes.

Cemetery Details

Parksville Baptist Church Cemetery

131 Parks-Self Street
Parksville, SC 29844

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 6. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Salem Baptist Church
151 Crestwood Drive
Salem, SC 29676

Funeral Service

JUL 6. 3:00 PM (ET)

Salem Baptist Church
151 Crestwood Drive
Salem, SC 29676

Graveside Service

JUL 7. 11:00 AM (ET)

Parksville Baptist Church Cemetery
131 Parks-Self Street
Parksville, SC 29844

Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Mary Parks Bass*

January 28, 2023 at 01:03 PM



“ *Liz Phillips lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass*



liz Phillips - July 24, 2021 at 08:31 PM



“ *Mrs. Bass was one of a kind and so loved. She told the best stories, and instilled a love of reading in so many children. I will cherish my memories of her.*

Carla Nix Denny - July 09, 2021 at 08:01 AM



“ *I have so many fond memories of both Sam and Mary Bass at Tamassee-Salem Middle and High School. Mary was such a beautiful lady both inside and out. She will be sorely missed by many. My condolences to both Coy and Joy and your family.*



Sandra McCurry - July 08, 2021 at 11:10 AM

SM

“ *Sandra McCurry lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass*



Sandra McCurry - July 08, 2021 at 11:06 AM

JF

“ *Jason Frick lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass*



Jason Frick - July 07, 2021 at 10:26 PM

KW

“ *I have so many wonderful memories growing up around Mrs. Bass! My life was made better with her in it. My prayers are with you!*



Kelly Winchester - July 07, 2021 at 09:39 PM

KA

“ *Kathy Addis lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass*



Kathy addis - July 07, 2021 at 01:46 AM

RB

“ *Rosemary Bailes lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass*



Rosemary Bailes - July 07, 2021 at 12:40 AM

DG

“ *She was a true jewel*

delane graham - July 06, 2021 at 05:49 PM

LQ

“ *Linda L. Quarles lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass*



linda L. Quarles - July 06, 2021 at 04:29 PM

AP

“ *Mrs. Bass will forever be one of my favorites from elementary! She has kept in touch with me all these years and ill never be able to pick just one favorite time with her!*



Antonino polimeni - July 06, 2021 at 03:47 PM

KL

“ *Such a very much loved, classy , kind, precious lady. You will be missed by all who knew you. Many prayers for Coy and Joy...and entire family. ❤️❤️❤️*

Kim Lusk - July 06, 2021 at 02:58 PM

WC

“ *Mrs. Bass was the friendliest & sweetest person. She & Mr. Bass always new what kids I belonged to. Both of my kids loved Mrs. Bass. For the family, I am so sorry for your loss.*



Wilma Cobb - July 06, 2021 at 02:26 PM

DT

“ *David And Marci R Talley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass*



David and Marci R Talley - July 06, 2021 at 11:17 AM

LT

“ *Louise & Clarence Towe lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass*



Louise & Clarence Towe - July 06, 2021 at 11:10 AM

BH

“ Praying for all of the family during this time . Mrs. Bass was such a precious person and will be greatly missed.

Brenda and Tony Heaton - July 06, 2021 at 09:35 AM

TW

“ Tracy Marcengill Wyatt lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass



Tracy Marcengill Wyatt - July 06, 2021 at 09:05 AM

TD

“ Tina Deaton lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass



Tina Deaton - July 05, 2021 at 11:56 PM

TL

“ Tommy Lusk lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass



Tommy Lusk - July 05, 2021 at 10:26 PM

TS

“ Trent Smith lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass



Trent Smith - July 05, 2021 at 09:45 PM

MM

“ Mark And Sherrie McJunkin lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass



Mark and Sherrie McJunkin - July 05, 2021 at 08:54 PM

SK

“ Thank you so much God for the unconditional love and support of Mary Bass. Please wrap your loving arms around her family and give them peace.



Sophia Kinney - July 05, 2021 at 08:04 PM

MK

“ Mrs. Bass was a wonderful lady who blessed many students through the years with her stories. She will be greatly missed. Praying for the Lord to comfort you during this time.

Michelle Winchester Kendrick

Michelle Kendrick - July 05, 2021 at 07:02 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass.*



July 05, 2021 at 06:09 PM



“ *Coy and JoyI am so sorry for the loss of your Sweet Mother ...She was a very friendly person to me and our family ..God be with you as you walk this journey with out her ... She will be always be in your hearts .. Prayers for you all ...*



Frank and Judy Crowe - July 05, 2021 at 05:43 PM



“ *Sherry McCoy Stephenson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass*



Sherry McCoy Stephenson - July 05, 2021 at 04:32 PM



“ *Glenda Grant lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass*



Glenda Grant - July 05, 2021 at 04:03 PM

RT

“ *The greatest story teller of all time. So many wonderful memories of the library at Tamassee Elementary School. Mrs. Bass had such a tremendous wonderful influence on so many kids lives including mine.*



Regina Marcengill Taylor - July 05, 2021 at 03:40 PM

DB

“ *Donna Bramlett lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass*

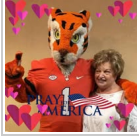


Donna Bramlett - July 05, 2021 at 03:11 PM

LM

“ *Thinking of you.
Earth has lost a precious soul and blessing to us all and heaven has gained a treasure.
The thought of her brings about the fondest memories. One of my favorites is a snow day back in about 1978. She and "Mr. Bass," our beloved principal, lived in the large white house located there on the T-S school grounds. Their home was a welcome place for friends to gather. Naturally, there was a fun snowball fight that left us cold.
"Mrs. Bass" welcomed us in to warm by the fire with wonderful, delicious, hot chocolate. That was a special time in life when teachers were like family.
Praying God's special blessings to your family.
Lynne Rogers Martin*

Lynne Martin - July 05, 2021 at 01:13 PM



“ *Deepest sympathy, love and prayers!
Doug and Linda Reese Nix*



Linda Nix - July 05, 2021 at 12:04 PM

BD

“ *Miss Mary was an unforgettable major part of our Salem community. !! She was a stanch Christian and loyal and active member of first Baptist and a especially a devoted husband to Sam ".buddy" so many wonderful memories as she shared my parents. Life experiences... To coy, joy and family. We will remember....the Crawford Nicholson family..Brenda dubose, Thomas and. Both joyner,Rhode joyner and Jeremy sword*

Brenda dubose - July 05, 2021 at 11:55 AM

DJ

“ *Dawn And Paul Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass*



Dawn and Paul Johnson - July 05, 2021 at 11:14 AM



“ *Coy our thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this time Love Patti and family*



Patti Nelson - July 05, 2021 at 10:49 AM

RT

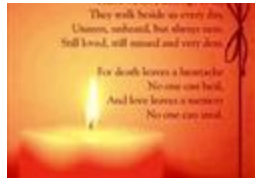
“ *Reg Tatum lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass*



Reg Tatum - July 05, 2021 at 10:04 AM

TS

“ *Dearest Precious Family Friends, We are so sorry to hear of y'all's/our loss. We are Praying for each of you now and days to come. Please Lean on Our Savior for understanding. Sending Prayers, Love, and Hugs across the miles we pray y'all feel them. Oh what a Legacy of Love Aunt Mary left forever in our hearts for that we thank you!!!❤️ You'll be missed by us and so many you touched and you did just that!!!❤️ Tammy David Lee Swann Upatoi, Ga. Joey, Michelle Ryan Parks Bremerton, Wa. David, Larissa Mason Poole Liberty, Sc.*



Tammy Swann - July 05, 2021 at 09:16 AM

BH

“ *Blease Harper lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass*



Blease Harper - July 05, 2021 at 09:16 AM

TC

“ Love, Sammy and Tammy Crenshaw and family



Tammy Crenshaw - July 05, 2021 at 09:11 AM

FK

“ I worked for Mr. Bass for many years at West Oak High School. He was the best principal ever. He sent me to Tamassee Elementary when the school was first built to help Mrs. Mary get the media center ready. They both were such sweet people. The world is a little dimmer today without Mrs. Mary's beautiful smile. Faye Keasler

Faye Keasler - July 05, 2021 at 08:54 AM

GG

I'm very sad to hear of Mary's death. Mary was a very special person. I worked with her many years ago and always loved to run into her and catch up. She will be missed by so many! Sending my sympathy to all her family.

Gail Gambrell - July 05, 2021 at 10:38 PM

MW

“ Coy and Joy,
We were saddened to hear about Mary's passing. We pray the Holy Spirit will bring you comfort and peace in the coming days.
Michael and Teresa Whitmire
Lake Cherokee

Michael and Teresa Whitmire - July 05, 2021 at 08:50 AM

AN

“ *Angie Nichols lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass*



Angie Nichols - July 05, 2021 at 08:13 AM

SM

“ *Sherry Beth Rogers Moore sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass*



Sherry Beth Rogers Moore - July 05, 2021 at 07:49 AM

BA

“ *Bonnie Alexander lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass*



Bonnie Alexander - July 05, 2021 at 07:43 AM

BC

“ *Mary was an absolute jewel. She helped me at Good News Club for several years, and I was in awe of her heart for teaching the children about Christ. We lived near each other and shared a number of special friends. She will be greatly missed by so many. For her loved ones, I ask that God wrap His loving arms around them and give the peace that only He can give.*

Bobbie Elaine Cooksey - July 05, 2021 at 07:02 AM

FB

“ Frankie Burrell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass



Frankie Burrell - July 05, 2021 at 05:44 AM

KX

“ Kay Xayachack lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass



Kay Xayachack - July 05, 2021 at 12:17 AM

JC

“ Jerry Frieda Cobb lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass



Jerry Frieda Cobb - July 04, 2021 at 09:26 PM

TT

“ Mary completely embodied the words of Mark 12:31 ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no other commandment greater than these.” She and Sam both left a legacy of love, compassion, and generosity within every community they served. Her genuine love and faithful prayers covered many hearts and homes. I know I will personally be forever grateful that I had the privilege of knowing her. Coy, Joy, and family, my prayers and love will cover you all during this sorrowful time.



Terry, Jamie, and Emily Tilson - July 04, 2021 at 09:24 PM

BL

“ Bobbie Jean Ledford lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass



Bobbie Jean Ledford - July 04, 2021 at 08:57 PM

DA

“ DAWNLUK lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass



DAWNLUK - July 04, 2021 at 08:55 PM

TS

“ Dearest Sweet Cousins~Family Friends,We are so sorry to hear of y'all's/our loss.We are Praying for each of you now and days to come. Please Lean on Our Savior for understanding. Sending Prayers,Love,and Hugs across the miles we pray y'all feel them. Our Aunt Mary one of a kind her FAITH in GOD and her walk matched it!!!! We will miss her as so many she was truly a LIGHT for GOD!!! Her outer beauty matched her inner beauty!!! Fly High Aunt Mary and Rest In Peace what a day of rejoicing with our SAVIOR and other family members and friends that have passed on!!! We LOVE you!!!! Tammy David Lee Swann Upatoi,Ga. Joey,Michelle Ryan Parks Bremerton,Wa. David,Larissa Mason Poole Liberty,Sc.



Tammy Swann - July 04, 2021 at 08:50 PM

EM

“ Elaine Murray sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass



Elaine Murray - July 04, 2021 at 08:41 PM

NP

“ I had the honor of working with Mary Bass for several years at Salem Elementary School, she was always a delight and had a smile for everyone. It was also an honor to call her my friend. Her family has some of the same traits and I believe it was due in part by her wonderful example. Coy and Joy, my heart is sad for you and the family at this time. Rest In Peace, Mary with your Savior and sweet Sam; I'm sure that you'll be sharing some of your story-telling talents with the angels while you're walking those streets of gold. Much love ❤️ You will be missed.



naomi padgett - July 04, 2021 at 08:31 PM

ML

“ Mike & Wanda Lemons lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass



Mike & Wanda Lemons - July 04, 2021 at 08:28 PM

KW

“ Mrs. Bass was such a wonderful lady. In elementary school we would beg her to read Brer Rabbit on every trip to the library. We knew she was going to read it if she had on her Brer Rabbit jewelry!

My sister Sara and I would go Trick-or-Treating at your mom and dad's house at the lake. Mrs. Bass always bought us full sized candy bars.

She was so special and touched so many lives. I am truly sorry for your loss.

Kate Thomas White - July 04, 2021 at 07:27 PM

BH

“ Brad Hendrix lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass



Brad Hendrix - July 04, 2021 at 05:16 PM

JB

“ James And Teresa Barker sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass



James and Teresa Barker - July 04, 2021 at 05:06 PM

KL

“ Love and Prayers to Coy, Mike & Joy and the Grandchildren. Mary was a beautiful Godly Lady. We were honored to call her "Our Friend"



Keith & Louise Lusk - July 04, 2021 at 04:57 PM

SD

“ Steven, Jessica, & Mattie Davis lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass



Steven, Jessica, & Mattie Davis - July 04, 2021 at 04:39 PM

NP

“ I had the honor of working with Mary Bass for several years, I also call her friend; she was always such a joy and delight to be around with her ever present smile. Her family is a delight as well, I think in part due to her leadership And guidance. Coy and Joy, my heart is saddened for you and all the family. Mary Bass, Rest In Peace with your Savior and your husband, sweet Sam; I know you'll be sharing your lovely storytelling talent with the angels; much love ❤️



Naomi Padgett - July 04, 2021 at 04:09 PM

GB

“ We loved Mary so much , She has been a Blessing to our Family, We are going to miss this Sweet Lady 💕 We are Praying for you Coy and Joy

Gene & Lisa Bryant - July 04, 2021 at 04:05 PM

BN

“ Billy And Ralph Nix lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass



Billy and Ralph Nix - July 04, 2021 at 04:05 PM

GB

“ Gene & Lisa Bryant lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass



Gene & Lisa Bryant - July 04, 2021 at 04:02 PM

PR

“ Patricia Bowen Reid lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass



Patricia bowen Reid - July 04, 2021 at 03:53 PM

EM

“ Eddie Moore sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass



Eddie Moore - July 04, 2021 at 03:51 PM



“ Myrtle Coward lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Parks Bass



Myrtle Coward - July 04, 2021 at 03:50 PM