



Mrs. Cheryl Parke Meeks

November 21, 2015

MEEKS, Cheryl Ann Parke, 70, of Plant City, Florida, and born in St. Louis, Missouri, entered into eternal rest on November 21, 2015. Parkesdale Farms mourns the loss of their own. Her life was her family and friends, and Parkesdale Farm Market. Her granddaughter, Zoe, summed her up best, "she had a beautiful heart, soul, and face". She is survived by her husband of 49 years, James W. "Jim" Meeks; son, James W. "Jim" Meeks III (Xiomara) of Plant City; granddaughters, Zoe Meeks, and Piper Meeks; mother, Helen Parke of Plant City; siblings, Sandee Sytsma (Hank), Bobby Parke (Peggy), Colleen Fulton (Terry), and Gary Parke (Terri) of Plant City; and many nieces, nephews, family, and friends. She was preceded in death by her father, R.E. "Roy" Parke, Jr. The family will receive friends on Wednesday, November 25 from 10:00 A.M. until Noon at Hopewell Funeral Home, 6005 CR 39 S, Plant City. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to LifePath Hospice, Development Dept., 12470 Telecom Drive, Suite 300, Temple Terrace, FL 33637. Expressions of condolence at www.HopewellFuneral.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **25**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Hopewell Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Cheryl Parke Meeks



Hopewell Funeral Home - November 25, 2015 at 06:49 AM



We are so sorry to hear of the passing of Cheryl. Our prayers are with the entire Parke family. Praying for Peace and comfort to all. Rick and Susan-Lynn Lewis

Susie Lyn DeH-Lew - December 03, 2015 at 12:20 AM

ZO

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Zoes - September 15, 2020 at 11:27 AM

WS

“ Mr. Meeks, Jimmy, Xi and Family,

We were truly sorry to hear of Cheryl's passing. We have your family in our thoughts and prayers.

Sincerely,
The Shelby's

Wendy Shelby - November 30, 2015 at 09:19 PM

Miriam
Kessler

“ Cheryl was such a joy and bundle of energy ! My sincere thoughts are with the entire family .
I had the privilege of meeting Cheryl some 20 years ago when I received a call saying" I have called twice,I heard you have the best cactus, I donot need to see them,just bring me a big load and will sell them all".
That was my introduction to this powerful, caring ,passionate woman. She was right and I so looked forward to every trip to Parksdale mainly see her smile, feel her energy and receive a few worlds of joy and wisdom that see always shared. She was a fine woman with wonderful family and so many friends. I feel privileged to have known her. Rest in peace Cheryl. You touched so many and your family will always have the heart felt joy you inplanted . Much peace to the family
Mitch Kessler.

Miriam Kessler - November 27, 2015 at 04:51 PM

ND

“ Norma Drawdy lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Cheryl Parke Meeks



Norma Drawdy - November 25, 2015 at 06:52 PM

KF

“ I am so sorry to hear about your loss. She was always such an inspiration to me as a teenager. I learned so much about life, business and great customer service from her. To this day I remain in customer service at the Postal service because I love it so much. I started baby sitting for Jimmy when I was 12 and he was 6 and then worked at the market for 5 years. Jim and Cheryl always made me feel like family and I appreciate all of the opportunities that they gave me. My heart goes out to the entire family. I know she will be greatly missed. I love you all.
Karen Kelley Fisher

Karen Kelley Fisher - November 25, 2015 at 06:12 PM

JA

“ Jim, Jimmie and Family: As I was coming into the house I heard the announcement of Cheryl's passing on the radio on JOY FM. I think it was a God like message to me to let me know of your loss. I have known you since the beginning with Cheryl, I am deeply sorry for your loss. Marjorie and I will remember Cheryl always.
Jay Pettit

Jay - November 25, 2015 at 02:44 PM

BE

“ Sending you prayers of comfort, peace and love during this difficult time.
Bette Eastman, LMT

Bette Eastman - November 25, 2015 at 01:56 PM

SI

“ *To the Meeks and Parke families:
Our caring thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Know that we have you in our hearts and will always remember Cheryl as the vivacious lovely lady she was with everyone. We love you and respect your families for your hard work, perseverance, and love of family that you demonstrate to the community.
God bless you,
Sincerely,
Silvia and Bill Dodson
Jossie Azorin and family*

Silvia - November 25, 2015 at 10:47 AM

CR

“ *"We were so saddened to hear about Cheryl. Wishing all of you peace to bring you comfort, courage to face the days ahead and loving memories to forever hold in your hearts."*

Charles Renfroe, John Renfroe and Sonya Sampson

Charles Renfroe - November 25, 2015 at 08:50 AM

RJ

“ *A trip to Parkesdale Market wasn't complete without the chance to say hello to Cheryl. She was always so happy and helpful, sharing a new recipe or suggesting a new product to try. We will miss her and will be praying for the family she loved so much. May God's comfort surround you all and encourage each with the hope of eternity.*

RJ & Cheryl Johnston - November 25, 2015 at 08:15 AM

DS

“ *Diane Slaybaugh lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Cheryl Parke Meeks*



Diane Slaybaugh - November 25, 2015 at 06:49 AM

DS

Xiomara, may you find comfort and strength in the Lord and your loving memories of this beautiful woman. Your family at TPO.

Diane Slaybaugh - November 25, 2015 at 06:50 AM

AB

“ *Heartfelt and sincere sympathy to the family and friends of Cheryl. A void forever in the hearts of those who knew charming Cheryl. She will never be forgotten.*

Ann and John Boyd - November 25, 2015 at 06:38 AM

DK

“ *Cheryl always had a winning smile and personality. She would hug me if she saw me at Parkesdale. She asked me not too long ago "You haven't moved back here from Lake Wales yet?" I told her no and sure did miss them and P>C not counting missing the fruits, veggies, and beautiful flowers...Loved her and my condolences are certainly with the Parke and Meek families...God bless your family....Surely will miss you...*



Diane Howell King - November 24, 2015 at 05:18 PM



“ 4 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Hopewell Funeral Home - November 24, 2015 at 04:20 PM

DW

“ *Jim Don't know what I can say to comfort you. I think I will just have a glass of wine and remember the good times we had. Cheryl was so fun loving and treated us like old friends from day one. Wish we could have lived closer and not been so busy with our lives. I still often think of the time you probably saved my life in that rip tide off of West Palm Beach. But of course, you helped me risk it when we jumped off the point in that fast current at Bocca Raton. I always admired you and hope that you and your family find solace in this very stressful time.*

Give the grandkids a hug from us.

Love Don and Carolyn Webb

Don Webb - November 24, 2015 at 03:47 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Cheryl Parke Meeks.



November 24, 2015 at 03:41 PM



“ Dear Helen and family, please accept my condolences at this difficult time. To lose a family member is never easy, whether near a holiday or not, but especially at holiday time. I will keep all of you in my prayers!

Jean Smith - November 24, 2015 at 02:57 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family. Cheryl was special person. Never met a stranger. I spoke to her on Friday and did not know of her passing until I saw it in the paper Monday. She will be missed. May God watch over the family at this time and keep them in the palm of his hands.

Dale and Elaine (Cooper) Hall

Dale and Elaine (Cooper) Hall - November 24, 2015 at 12:47 PM



“ George Jackson, Sharon Hatcher, Our prayers are sent to the family. So sorry for your loss.

george jackson - November 24, 2015 at 11:09 AM

AS

“ April Sullivent lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Cheryl Parke Meeks



April Sullivent - November 23, 2015 at 10:04 PM

DL

“ My late husband, Robert Lamb, and I considered her a special friend--always kind and cheerful. She was such an asset to the community and will be greatly missed.
Dorothy Lamb (former Dover resident, now in Ohio)

Dorothy Lamb - November 23, 2015 at 07:38 PM

FK

“ Fred & Glenda (Wells) Keely lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Cheryl Parke Meeks



Fred & Glenda (Wells) Keely - November 23, 2015 at 07:26 PM

WM

“ Wiley Mitchell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Cheryl Parke Meeks



wiley mitchell - November 23, 2015 at 06:33 PM

WM

“ All the years of going to the parke's home with Roger & feeling the love this whole family had to give thier family & friends this one is really hard.RIP Cheryl.

wiley mitchell - November 23, 2015 at 06:32 PM

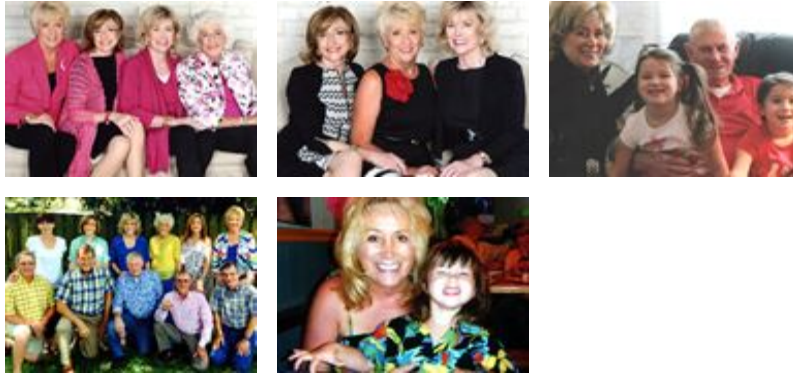
JM

“ Please accept my heartfelt condolences, and my Prayers for the family. John Wayne

John McElveen - November 23, 2015 at 03:05 PM



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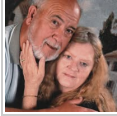
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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



LindaCarter Abbott - November 23, 2015 at 02:09 PM



A beautiful person inside and out. I cannot think of anyone with the great qualities that Cheryl had. We will miss you sweet lady.

LindaCarter Abbott - November 23, 2015 at 02:12 PM

DS

“ *A gracious woman from a gracious family. May God comfort you in your time of grief.* ”

Donna Sizemore - November 23, 2015 at 01:41 PM

TM

“ *Tony & Mary Mathis lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Cheryl Parke Meeks* ”



Tony & Mary Mathis - November 23, 2015 at 01:31 PM

TM

"To be absent from the body, we will be present with the LORD." Our thoughts and prayers to the Parke and Meeks families.

Tony & Mary Mathis - November 23, 2015 at 01:33 PM

NL

“ *Cheryl was the sweetest person I no she will be missed* ”



nikki poeznik. coventry assisted living - November 23, 2015 at 12:59 PM

TM

“ Taylor McClain lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Cheryl Parke Meeks



Taylor McClain - November 23, 2015 at 12:49 PM

NL

Cheryl was the kindest person I ever met she will be missed

nikki poeznik. coventry assisted living - November 23, 2015 at 12:53 PM

KA

“ Sending our love and prayers to the entire Parke Meeks Family. Cheryl was an amazing woman and loved by so many. She fed us all at one time or another a big strawberry shortcake with her special touch. Your Friends at McClain's Old Florida Gourmet

Kelly Abercrombie - November 23, 2015 at 12:45 PM

Jl

“ Joy and Alfie ,and the family circle in Northern Ireland purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Mrs. Cheryl Parke Meeks.



Joy and Alfie ,and the family circle in Northern Ireland - November 23, 2015 at 12:21 PM

CG

“ *Cindy Gaylor lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Cheryl Parke Meeks*



Cindy gaylor - November 23, 2015 at 11:50 AM



“ *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Cheryl Parke Meeks.*



November 23, 2015 at 11:06 AM

LP

“ *Luther And Janis Beach And Hope Parker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Cheryl Parke Meeks*



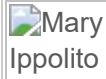
luther and Janis Beach and Hope Parker - November 23, 2015 at 11:01 AM

KD

“ *Kathy E Donnelly lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Cheryl Parke Meeks*



Kathy E Donnelly - November 23, 2015 at 09:03 AM



Mary Ippolito

My family will be forever touched by Cheryl and her love for life! Mary Ippolito.....I was honored with the 24 year job assignment to be her Mary Kay consultant....a beautiful face...and an easy task....love my big sister in Christ. (the Morgan's, the Ryals, the Gleasons and the Donnelly families)

Mary Ippolito - December 01, 2015 at 03:42 AM

LW

“ *Our thoughts and prayers to you all for your loss of Cheryl. She will be missed by all that knew her. Life goes by too fast. (((HUGS)))
Edna, Lucy and Jane*

Lucy Raulerson Williams - November 23, 2015 at 08:36 AM



“ *June Faulk sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Cheryl Parke Meeks*

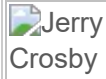


June Faulk - November 23, 2015 at 07:53 AM

RC

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with Jim and the family with the passing of Cheryl. If there was ever a smiling face around Plant City it was Cheryl. She was a dear friend and will be missed by everyone and now she is in the arms of her Heavenly Father and with her Father .God bless and rest in peace dear friend.
Ronnie and Joanni Conrad
Clarkesville, Ga.*

Ronnie Conrad - November 23, 2015 at 06:32 AM



Jerry Crosby

Our prayers are with the family

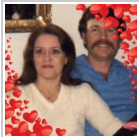
Jerry Crosby - November 23, 2015 at 11:16 AM

KB

“ I will always remember mrs. Cheryl Meeks as a very Loving kind hearted person willing to help anyone and always having a Beautiful smile On her face no matter ! May my thoughts and prayers be with the Parkesdale family



kristina bullard - November 23, 2015 at 06:20 AM



“ Thoughts of comfort and prayers for the family.

Nadine Jackson - November 23, 2015 at 06:06 AM

DR

*“ To Jim & all of family and friends,
I am very sorry to hear of the passing of Cheryl. She was a very delightful person to be around and talk to. I will always remember the times she would drive by my house and blow her horn as she was always on the fly.
May all look to God for comfort in this very challenging time. May all find some degree of peace in Cheryl's passing. She will be greatly missed by all that knew her.*

Dave Robbins

Dave Robbins - November 23, 2015 at 05:05 AM

LP

There is no words that I can to take your sorrow away...my heart is broken as I loved her...my prayers are with each and everyone of you..Luther and Janis Beach

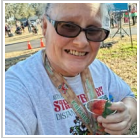
luther and Janis Beach and Hope Parker - November 23, 2015 at 05:26 AM

ND

“ *Parke and Meeks family in our thoughts and prayers at this sad time.*

*Yvonne and Norman Devlin
N Ireland*

norman devlin - November 23, 2015 at 02:31 AM



“ *Praying for Parke Family for the loss of a Very Sweet Lady . Im So Glad I got to meet her and some of the family and ill always remember talking to her and love the strawberry milkshake from the market. 🍓🍓*



Tamara Cundiff - November 23, 2015 at 02:19 AM

TF

“ *The McQuaig Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Cheryl Parke Meeks*



The McQuaig Family - November 22, 2015 at 10:20 PM

TF

Cheryl always liked to pick on Reuben when she got to see him. Which wasn't much. She always tried to get him to dance and he wouldn't. She was a fun lady to be around. She will be missed by lots of people and her family. The McQuaig family.

The McQuaig Family - November 22, 2015 at 10:24 PM

TB

“ Cheryl was a dynamo! A fun and lively lady with a special soul. Love and prayers to all of her family and friends.



Traci Best - November 22, 2015 at 08:36 PM

SH

“ Shari lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Cheryl Parke Meeks



Shari - November 22, 2015 at 08:14 PM

SH

She is a was a light of everything that was good and kind in a person. She will be missed by me. A tear is not what I wanted to do for you so just a smile will do. You will be missed. Shari Henriott

Shari - November 22, 2015 at 08:18 PM

PL

“ So saddened to hear of Cheryl's passing. Sending love, light and God's peace to all of the family. Peggy Lee

Peggy Lee - November 22, 2015 at 08:02 PM

FW

I'm so very sorry to learn of Cheryl's passing. I'm thinking of you guys (Jim & Jim III) during this time of great sorrow. Ferris Waller

Ferris Waller - November 23, 2015 at 05:00 AM

RH

“ Mrs Cheryl was the nicest most caring person I have ever met rest in peace you will be missed

rhonda - November 22, 2015 at 07:47 PM

MR

“ Mrs. Cheryl u were the best boss anyone could ever have so nice god has gained another angel may you rest in paradise my condelences to the family and so sorry for ur loss

Miriam rosales - November 22, 2015 at 07:17 PM

JM

*“ I first met Cheryl in the 7th grade and found out that we lived very near to each other. We often studied (if you can call it that) together after school all the way through high school -- let's just say we had a lot of fun. She had great leadership qualities, and we all admired her abilities. She was a very sweet person, and I am shocked at her passing. Blessings to her entire family.
Janet Phillips Minge*

Janet Phillips Minge - November 22, 2015 at 07:16 PM

HM

“ Cheryl was a great person and friend in High School. She will be missed by all that knew her. Her passing was a big shock.

Henry Moran - November 22, 2015 at 06:38 PM

BG

“ Cheryl was a great asset to the Ginther boys and family. She put up with their antics and they truly loved her. She was there for my family when we lost Ronnie. What a wonderful lady she was, always smiling or singing. She was the one to lift everyone up, and it always worked. We have some wonderful memories of her and Jim both. She will be missed by many, and was loved by all.

Bootie Ginther - November 22, 2015 at 06:35 PM

CB

“ My fondest memory is the Senior Class Play. I was the Stage Manager and Robert Ham, Cheryl and Talmadge Herod made the play an absolute hoot. We laughed so much everyone was in tears. I think all of us who played a part in the play experienced one of those rare moments in life when friendships flourish and you gain an insight into the others you shared the experience with.

Cheryl, loved you GIRL and the good memories I have of you will continue to light my life!

Clark Barnes

Clark Barnes - November 22, 2015 at 06:19 PM

 Idell
Greene

“ I met Cheryl in 1994 while waitressing at Anna's Restaurant. She was always one of my favorite people. She also began coming to The Plant City Drive In Restaurant when I started working there. Cheryl was always so sweet and treated everyone like you were special to her. She even donated her famous jams and jelly's from Parkesdale Farms for me to put out on the tables for the customers to enjoy. I loved her smile and energy. I always looked forward to seeing her walk through the door. She was a wonderful lady.

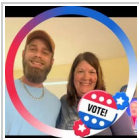
Idell Greene - November 22, 2015 at 06:03 PM



“ I am truly saddened to hear of your loss. My prayer was that God would be merciful to Cheryl, and I know that He was. My prayer is that now God will comfort you all during this time of sorrow, and give you peace as only He can. Please accept my most sincere condolences.

Ken Jameson, Neighbor, Friend & Brother In Christ

Ken Jameson - November 22, 2015 at 04:57 PM



“ I am lost for words. She sure will be missed. I sure loved Mrs. Cheryl she was a good woman. Love Always Chandra

Chandra Glass - November 22, 2015 at 04:56 PM

DL

May the Good Lord be with you all at this sad time. Heaven has another beautiful Angel. I know Mr Parke welcomed her with a big smile!

Dennis Lee - November 22, 2015 at 09:31 PM

JD

The entire Parke family in Northern Ireland are sad to hear of the sudden passing of Cheryl beloved daughter, wife, mother, and much loved family member in Florida. We just wanted to say that you are all in our thoughts and prayers at this very sad time. " She is not really lost to you, she has just gone away. . She has passed through the darkness to a brighter day." May God bless you all. Sending all our love to the family from Joy and Alfie Jack and Anna, and all the Parke family in Magherafelt Northern Ireland

Joy Parke Derby - November 22, 2015 at 11:59 PM

VB

My thoughts and prayers are with all the Meeks and Parke families at this time of sorrow. I am so sorry to hear of the passing of Cheryl. Her smile will be missed, as will she. But Heaven has a new bright smile! God Bless all of you.

Virginia Brewer - November 23, 2015 at 07:43 PM