Celebration of Life

William Fredrick Brown

(AKA: Brother)



Sunrise September 29, 1956 Sunset December 28, 2014

Wednesday, January 7, 2015 - 7:00 P.M.

Cotton Funeral Service

130 Main Street
Orange, New Jersey
Reverend Theodore Fasion, Officiant & Eulogist

<u>Obituary</u>

William Fredrick Brown was born on September 29, 1956 to the late Mr. Sam Brown, Sr. and Mrs. Gaynell Brown. He departed this life on December 28, 2014.

"Brother" as he was affectionately called enlisted into the US Army in October 1979. He was assigned to 501st AG, Ansbach, Germany, as a Personnel Action Specialist.

His love for musical instruments and singing organized a group of soldiers band named Coast to Coast. The band competed and played throughout military installations; 1981, Brother lead his team to a competition within Germany, earning the title "Battle of the Band" first place winners. Brother left the Army in September 1983, to continue his singing career remaining overseas. In 1993, Brother returned to the U.S. upon the wish of his ailing father Mr. Sam Brown Sr. His awards are Rifle Marksmanship, Good Conduct Medal, Army Service Ribbon and Overseas Service Ribbon.

Brother was employed at United Postal Service (November 2003), and International Computer Corporation (ICC) 2007- 2014.

He leaves to cherish his precious memories: his mother, Mrs. Gaynell Brown (McColl, SC); Fiancée, Perdessa Jackson (Maplewood, NJ); his sisters, Daisy (Bobby) Nixon (Jamestown, SC), Vertis D. Fitch (Killeen, TX), Frances Brown (Brooklyn, NY), Rose Trent (Jersey City, NJ) and Patricia Drayton (New York); brother-in-law, Hubert Fitch (Harker Heights, TX); Special Aunts & Uncles, Ms. Doris Smith, Roy (Nellie) Smith (New Jersey), Joyce (Reese) Boyd (Maryland), Rev. Howard (Julia) McLaurin, Gibson NC, Mr. Willie McLaurin, (McColl, SC) and Ms. Naomi English-Gibson (NC); and best friend, Eddie Harvey (Bayonne, NJ).

William is preceded in death by his father, Mr. Sam Brown Sr., three sisters, Sylvia Brown, Joan Glenda Brown, Florence Renee Brown and his brother, Sam Brown Jr., 19 nieces and nephews and 15 great-nieces.

Order of Service

Musical Prelude

Processional

Opening Song....."Take Me to the King"

Scripture

Old Testament - Psalms 23

Selection....." I Won't Complain"

New Testament - Romans 8:31-39

Selection....."His Eye Is on the Sparrow"

Prayer of Comfort

Open Reflections of Life

Selection...."You Are My Hero"

Acknowledgements & Obituary

Eulogy......Reverend Theodore Fasion

Final Viewing

The Committal

The Benediction

Interment

Thursday, January 8, 2015 - 2:30 pm General William C. Doyle Veterans Cemetery Wrightstown, New Jersey

A POEM FROM BROTHER PROMISE YOURSELF

To be so strong that nothing can disturb your peace of mind. To talk health, happiness, and prosperity to every person you meet.

To make all your friends feel that there is something worthwhile in them.

To look at the sunny side of everything and make your optimism come true.

To think only of the best, to work only for the best and to expect only the best.

To be just as enthusiastic about the success of others as you are about your own.

To forget the mistakes of the past and press on to the greater achievements of the future.

To wear a cheerful expression at all times and give a smile to every living creature you meet.

To give so much time to improving yourself that you have no time to criticize others.

To be too large for worry, too noble for anger, too strong for fear, and too happy to permit the presence of trouble.

To think well of yourself and to proclaim this fact to the world, not in loud word, but in great deeds.

To live in the faith that the whole world is on your side, so long as you are true to the best that is in you.

~William F. Brown

Acknowledgement

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair.

Perhaps you sent a floral piece If so, we saw it there.

Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say.

Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us on that day.

Whatever you did to console our hearts, We Thank You, Whatever the part.

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