



## Mr. James Earl Brown

November 11, 1943 - March 25, 2023

BROWN, Mr. James Earl - Age 79, passed away Saturday, March 25, 2023, at his residence. Family hour 10:00 AM Saturday, April 8, 2023 at New Jerusalem Full Gospel Baptist Church, 1035 E. Carpenter Rd., with funeral service commencing at 11:00 AM. Interment Sunset Hills Cemetery, G-4413 Flushing Rd. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 10:00 AM Saturday. Mr. Brown will lie in state in the chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., and may be viewed from 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM Friday. Mr. James Earl Brown was born November 11, 1943 in Brookhaven, Mississippi, to the union of A.C. and Irea (Wilson) Brown. The family moved to Chicago, Illinois where he attended Wendell Phillips High School and furthered his education at Fisk University, Nashville, Tennessee. James began working at an early age for his uncle, cleaning the automotive shop. He also worked at the United States Post Office in Chicago, IL. James moved to Flint, Michigan where he began working at General Motors Corporation as a Committee Man, Attendance Coordinator and a Fork Lift Driver. He also worked at Flint Truck & Bus and retired from Buick City, both divisions of General Motors with 35 years of service. James was a member of God's Tabernacle Church for many years, where he was an Ordained Deacon. He later became a member of New Jerusalem Full Gospel Baptist Church where he served on the New Member Committee. He worked on the Security Team and was a member of the Men's Choir. James was a faithful member for 30 years. He loved reading God's word and fellowshiping with his brothers

and sisters in Christ. James loved cooking, exchanging recipes with family and friends. He also loved to travel, being with family, old classic cars, basketball, football, singing, playing the guitar and piano. His favorite song was, "Don't Let The Devil Ride." James was a star basketball player at Wendel Phillips. He had a gift for story telling. On October 9th, 1993, he married the love of his life, Lorraine M. Brown. They were happily married for 29 years. He was very caring, respectful and quiet. James was a God-fearing man who lived, loved and served. He never met a stranger. Mr. James Earl Brown leaves to cherish his memory: wife, Lorraine M. Brown of Flint; daughter, Trina (Gerald) Hammond of Chicago, IL; son, Gregory Brown of Atlanta, GA; 3 step-children, Ya'shica D. Johnson, Pamela Price and Richard Price; grandchildren, Lamont Brown, Anthony Foster, Kalimah Wali, Khalidah Wali, Naseer Gay, Kassam Wali, KaVondra Hill, Kadeejah Wali, Destine Bishop, Eliyah Bishop and Jordynn Bishop; great-grandchildren, Abria Foster, Aman Foster, Lamont Brown Jr. and Jayden Brown; sister, Joell (Thomas) Mitchell; brother, Bernard Brown Sr.; nieces, Swazetta Watkins, Shakniqua Voltz, all of Chicago, IL, Twynette Johnson of Pine Bluff, AR, Sharmel Teague of Flint, Kellen Thornton, Keiyunda Walker, Takesa Walker and Ebony Thornton; nephews, Dennis Mitchell of Chicago, IL, Bernard (Alicia) Brown, Stevie Brown, Piato Watkins, Sam Voltz Jr., Darius Thornton, Michael Walker, Marcus Taylor, Brian Taylor and Rickey Thornton Jr.; aunts, Sheryl Taylor, Gloria Trotter and Jeanette Hollien; uncles, Don W. Trotter of Mustang, OK and James Taylor of Pine Bluff, AR; cousins, Ralph Wilson, Sherry Burrell, Doris Henry, Valerie Brown, Probie Brown Jr., Nanette Brown, Frank Tyler, Robert Newton, Herbert Wilson, Alfred Wilson, Robert James and Leon Newton; mother & father-in-law, Margie L. Smith and Bernard Thornton of Pine Bluff, AR; sisters-in-law, Cynthia Walker of Shreveport, LA, Shelia Ervin of Posen, IL and Doretha Brown of Chicago, IL; brothers-in-law, LaTonia Thornton of Little Rock, AR, Rickey Thornton of Oklahoma and Teddy Ervin of Chicago, IL; a host of other relatives and friends including special friends, Marshall Burton of Chicago, IL, Dennis Cannon, Welton Lewis, Joe Brooks,

Bill Epps, all of Flint, Elkins, Roy Milow and Rod Norman. Mr. Brown was preceded in death by his son, Gary Brown; parents, A.C. and Irea (Wilson) Brown; grandparents, George and Annie Coleman Brown, James and Emma McDuffy Wilson; sisters, Odessie Brown and Phyllis Brown; Monte Brown, Mae Tyler, Frank Tyler Jr., Sehlia Tyler, Yvonne Tyler, Dewayne Wilson and Alice Wilson. The family would like to express special thanks to Ralph Wilson, Pamela Price, Shelia and Teddy Ervin, New Jerusalem Full Gospel Baptist Church family, Kroger 112 & 115 family, Gloria Williams, University Park Estate family and all of our family & friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Sunset Hills Cemetery

G-4413 Flushing Rd.  
Flint, MI 48504

# Previous Events

## Viewing

APR 7. 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home Chapel, Flint  
906 W. Flint Park Blvd.  
Flint, MI 48505  
(810) 789-MOON (6666)  
lemoonfhflint@gmail.com  
<http://www.lawrenceemoonfuneralhome.com>

## Family hour

APR 8. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

New Jerusalem Full Gospel Baptist Church  
1035 E. Carpenter Rd.  
Flint, MI 48505

## Funeral Service

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APR 8. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. James Earl Brown*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *I am past hurt to see u leave US..This is just see you later though...i am going to miss all of Us gathering. Your Grandbaibes enjoyed every moment spent with you. We had our last supper in July 2022 🥺💔🙏 but i managed to make u lol that day... See you later Always MY FATHER IN LAW...*

**Lekiva Hill** - April 07, 2023 at 09:26 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. James Earl Brown.*



April 06, 2023 at 11:45 PM



“ *Carla Dunn lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Earl Brown*



**Carla Dunn** - April 04, 2023 at 09:24 PM

BS

“ We appreciate the dedicated service Mr. Brown provided to University Park Estates as a member of our Volunteer Safety Team. May God continue to strengthen and bless his family and friends as they go through this time of bereavement.

Barbara Smith - April 03, 2023 at 12:11 PM

BS

“ Barbara Smith lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Earl Brown



Barbara Smith - April 03, 2023 at 12:04 PM

MS

“ Our condolences and PRAYERS to the family of James. God Bless.

Benny & Mae Vern Spence

Marietta GA.



Mae Vern Spence - April 01, 2023 at 09:30 AM

CE

“ We Pray Strengthen the family during this difficult time.



Cynthia Elam - March 31, 2023 at 11:47 AM

MW

“ *Mary & Diane Williams lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Earl Brown*



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**Mary & Diane Williams** - March 31, 2023 at 09:40 AM

JM

“ *Jeannie Mayberry lit a candle in memory of James Brown*



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**Jeannie Mayberry** - March 30, 2023 at 10:08 AM

HP

“ *May the Ancestors welcome him with open arms*

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**Herbert Piert** - March 29, 2023 at 12:01 AM

KH

“ *Love you pawpaw*



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**khadeejah** - March 28, 2023 at 10:27 PM

SP

“ Sheryl Payton sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. James Earl Brown



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**Sheryl Payton** - March 27, 2023 at 08:19 PM

RB

“ Rosa Burnett lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Earl Brown



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**Rosa Burnett** - March 27, 2023 at 06:34 AM

WL

“ Welton Lewis lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Earl Brown



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**Welton Lewis** - March 26, 2023 at 11:37 AM