### Afterglow

I'd like the memory of me to be a happy one I'd like to leave an afterglow of smiles when life is done. I'd like to leave an echo whispering softly down the ways of happy times and laughing times and bright and sunny days. I'd like the tears of those who grieve to dry before the sun of happy memories that I leave behind when day is done.

~Helen Lowrie Marshall

#### Acknowledgements

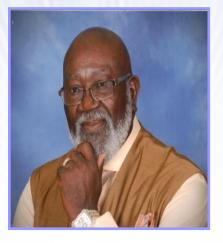
Special thanks to all who prayed for us and offered words of comfort during this season of our lives. Your thoughtfulness has been greatly appreciated.

The Family of Willie J. Brown, Sr.



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Homegoing Celebration



# Mr. Willie James Brown, Sr.

March 4, 1953 ~ November 11, 2020

Friday, November 20, 2020 12:00 P.M. Gardens of Memory Cemetery 5676 Old Walkertown Road Walkertown, North Carolina Pastor John Goins, Officiating

# Obituary

"Praise ye the LORD. Praise the LORD, O my soul. While I live will I praise the LORD: I will sing praises unto my God while I have any being." Psalm 146:1-2

Mr. Willie James Brown, Sr. was born March 4, 1953 to the late Mr. Edward W Brown and Mrs. Voohrees S. Brown in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. He attended local schools and graduated from North Forsyth High School.

He was a faithful member of Love and Faith Christian Fellowship Church in Greensboro, North Carolina. Without hesitation he was known to inform people of a church event and invite them to attend a service. Mr. Brown worked for the City of Winston-Salem Streets Division for thirty-eight years. He retired on December 1, 2016.

Spending quality time with his family was among his favorite pastimes. He also had several hobbies that brought him great joy including manicuring his lawn, exercising, and washing his cars.

Mr. Brown was preceded in death by his parents, Mrs. Voohrees S. Brown and Mr. Edward W. Brown, Sr.; sisters, Mrs. Helen B. Ceasar, Mrs. M. Mitchell, Mrs. Flora B. Smith; and brother, Mr. Edward W. Brown, Jr.

He leaves to cherish his memories: his loving wife of 26 years, Mrs. Teretha W. Brown; four children, Mr. Degwanus L. Brown, Mr. Willie J. Brown, Jr., Ms. Anjail Bishop and Ms. Rashawntha Brown; grandchildren, Nasir Melton, Ahmir Brown, Tamir Brown, Javon C. Slade, Yesenia Brown, I'keena Bishop and Korean Bishop; two sisters, Ms. Martha Wilson and Ms. Mae Wilks; a supportive host of relatives and friends.

## **Order of Service**

#### Processional

**Opening Selection** 

The Holy Scripture Old Testament - Mr. Jim Murray New Testament - Mrs. Mae Murray

#### **Prayer of Comfort**

Pastor John Goins

#### **Church Resolution** Pastor John Goins

#### Selection

Ms. Sandra Basketville

#### Eulogy

Pastor John Goins Love and Faith Christian Fellowship Church

#### Recessional

**Interment** Gardens of Memory Cemetery