A Celebration of Life for

Pori Ann Brown

Sunrise: July 11, 1961 *Sunset:* February 7, 2024

Wednesday, February 21, 2024

Viewing: 10:00 a.m. | Service: 11:00 a.m.

From the Heart Church Ministries 5055 Allentown Road | Suitland, Maryland 20746 Bishop John A. Cherry, II - Pastor *Lori Ann Brown*, daughter of Rosco and Sylvia Griggs, was born on July 11, 1961, in Washington, D.C. She was the third eldest of five children. Lori quietly transitioned from this life to eternal life on Wednesday, February 7, 2024, at home surrounded by loved ones.

Obituary

Lori was educated in the D.C. Public School system, where she was a proud graduate of Eastern Senior High School. Her healthcare career started at Washington Nursing Facility. She enjoyed the work she did, but more importantly she cherished the people she met and patients she served. This is also where she met her husband, Carlton Brown, Jr.; they were happily married on February 15, 1992. Throughout their union, they nurtured and raised three beautiful daughters, Crystal Johnson, Bianca Brown, and Courtney Brown.

Lori retired from Georgetown Hospital in 2003 and started her entrepreneurial journey as a licensed daycare provider. With support from her family, she maintained her business for 15+ years, carving out space for the children she welcomed into her home. She closed the doors of Toddler Town Daycare Center in 2021 to focus on her family, care for her mother, and reconnect with the things she loved. Lori enjoyed reading, traveling by car, playing cards, shopping, thrifting, and spending time with her family. You could always find her with one of her girls or her husband. Lori could always be found smiling in the presence of her grandchildren, as becoming a grandmother was a proud and exciting moment for her.

Lori accepted Jesus Christ as her personal Lord and Savior in 1989 at Second Baptist Church of Southwest. Lori and Carlton relocated to their new church home, From the Heart Church Ministries, in 2000. Lori was a faithful member and served in the Photography and Missions Ministries. She found much joy in helping her community and caring for children.

Lori will truly be missed by all who knew and loved her. She leaves to cherish her memory her loving husband of 32 years, Carlton Brown, Jr.; daughters: Crystal Johnson, Bianca Brown, and Courtney Brown; granddaughters, Chloe Foster and Taylor Wade; grandson, Carlos Johnson; mother, Sylvia Griggs; sisters, Donna Griggs and Lisa Griggs; brothers, Michael Griggs and Anthony "Tony" Griggs; mother-in-law, Pattie Brown (Carlton Brown, Sr.); sister-in-law, Jevonna Allen; and a host of nieces, nephews, coustns, and friends.

Lori was preceded in death by her father, Rosco Griggs and brother-in-law, Alphonso "Al" Watson,

Order of Service

Invocation

Scripture Reading

Old Testament: Proverbs 31:30-31 New Testament: Philippians 4:4-9

Prayer of Comfort

Remarks

Sharon Peoples, Cousin Sister Maggie Fonville, Ministry Head, Missions Ministry Dexter Batts, Cousin

Obituary (Read Silently)

Call to Christ

Committal

Benediction

Recessional

Family Sentiments

<u>Until We Meet Again</u>

We think about you always, We talk about you still. You will never be forgotten, And you never will. We hold you close within our hearts And there you will remain, To walk and guide us through our lives, Until we meet again

Family Sentiments

I want to pour my heart out and let you know how deeply you are missed by our entire family. Grandma, you were the rock that held us all together, the one who radiated warmth, wisdom, and unconditional love. Your nurturing hugs and gentle advice brought us comfort in times both good and bad.

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Lessons From Our Mother

If something good is happening to you, don't talk about it too much or it may not happen. Take pride in your appearance. If something bad keeps happening maybe this is a lesson God feels you have not learned. Surround yourself with good people. Clean as you cook.

> You are stronger than you think you are. Don't be a follower, be a leader. Treat people the way you want to be treated. Be what you want to be not what they want you to be.

> > ~ Your Daughters















































































Congregational Hymn

"Blessed Assurance"

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.

Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight; angels descending, bring from above, echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

Perfect submission, all is at rest, I in my Savior am happy and blest, Watching and waiting, looking above, filled with His goodness, lost in His love

Chorus

This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long, This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

Flower Bearers

Family and Friends

Acknowledgement

The family of Lori Brown wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many comforting messages, food, prayers and other expressions of kindness and concern during their time of mourning.

Services Rendered by:

Hodges and Edwards Funeral Home 3910 Silver Hill Road, Suitland MD 20746