

A Celebration of Life for
NATHANIEL AUGUSTUS BROWN, SR.

SUNRISE
June 1, 1925

SUNSET
July 20, 2024



FRIDAY, AUGUST 9, 2024

10:00 A.M. VIEWING | 11:00 A.M. SERVICE

FROM THE HEART CHURCH MINISTRIES.
5055 ALLENTOWN ROAD | SUITLAND, MARYLAND 20746
BISHOP JOHN A. CHERRY, II - PASTOR

OBITUARY

Nathaniel A. Brown, Sr., was born on June 1, 1925, to the late Alexander and Martha Brown in LaPlata, Maryland.

On Saturday, July 20, 2024, at the age of ninety-nine, Nathaniel was softly and tenderly called home to be with the Lord Jesus Christ after a short illness.

Nathaniel, affectionately called “Hon” by his wife of 49 years, received his primary education in Maryland and furthered his secondary education at Phelps High School in Washington, D.C., where he graduated in 1960.

Nathaniel, a World War II veteran, was honorably discharged from the United States Army in 1946. He genuinely enjoyed his tours of duty with the military. He later retired from the International Masonry Training and Education Foundation, where he was recognized for his dedicated service to the masonry industry and the youth of America.

Nathaniel’s hobbies included caring for his lawn and fishing. He was known for giving both solicited and ‘unsolicited’ advice. A jack of all trades, Nathaniel was a friendly man who never met a stranger. He loved to eat, especially Kentucky Fried Chicken; and he enjoyed shopping at the Amish Market in Upper Marlboro, Maryland, where he often bought fresh greens and smoked turkey necks, among other things.

Moreover, Nathaniel was a man of faith who loved the Lord and all His people. In 1988, he joined From the Heart Ministries and subsequently gave his life to the Lord Jesus Christ. He was very active in the life of the ministry. For many years, Nathaniel and his wife faithfully served in the Physical Stewardship Ministry, doing an unseen work appreciated by many. And together, they were the Tuesday night team leaders for that ministry. Additionally, Nathaniel and his wife were active in the Seniors Ministry. He was a strong man of God until the end.

Nathaniel will be dearly missed by all who knew and loved him. He leaves to cherish his memory his devoted and loving wife, Janice Brown-Brown; children: Nathaniel Jr., Darren, Kelli, and Mark; grandson, Detrick; granddaughter, Leilani; great-granddaughter, Alana; sisters-in-law, Jeanette Higginbotham and Ilene Brown; brother-in-law, Samuel Brown, Jr.; and a multitude of other family and friends.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Invocation

Congregational Hymn "God Will Take Care of You"

Scripture Reading

Old Testament: Psalm 34:1-8
New Testament: Philippians 4:4-9

Prayer of Comfort

Selection.....FTH Psalmist

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Mr. Nathaniel A. Brown, Jr. - Son
Mr. Troy M. Higginbotham - Nephew
Pastor Milton K. Holt Sr. - New Abundant Life Missionary Baptist Church

Poem.....Ms. Deborah A. Greer

Obituary (Read Silently)

Song of PreparationFTH Psalmist

Message of HopeBishop John. A. Cherry, II

Call to Christ

Recessional

Interment
Fort Lincoln Cemetery
3401 Bladensburg Road | Brentwood, Maryland 20722

FAMILY SENTIMENTS

En Voyage

By Carlyle Emery

*THERE'S a ship sailing on to a harbor,
To a haven of comfort and rest;
It's a ship of God's fashion and making,
And its voyage by Him will be blest.
It departed with silence and beauty,
With the Master, Himself, in command;
As with dignity truly majestic
It sailed out of sight of all land.*

*There will always be clear skies above it;
There will always be calmness below;
There will never be storms to harass it,
For the Master is on it, you know.
And His wisdom will carry it safely
To the port of His infinite peace,
Where the light of His love will protect it
With a blessing that never will cease.*

*You have watched it sail onward and outward,
With a tear of regret in your eye,
For a loved one was sailing upon it,
And there's grief when you're saying goodbye.
But your tears would be tears of rejoicing,
And your heart would be happy and free,*

*If you could look for only a moment
On the ship that is sailing to sea.*

*For the one you have loved is at leisure,
With no worry or trouble or care;
There's contentment beyond understanding,
In the way God's passengers fare.
And you'd know from your own observation
That the sailing was joyful – not grim.
For it means a new life and new living,
And a sweet, closer contact with Him.*

*Oh, the solace there is in the knowledge,
Life is life and it always will be,
And it's simply a change of direction
When we sail on His ship out to sea.
And the tears that we shed for our loved ones
Are in truth shed for us left behind,
For it hurts to give up to the Master,
Tho we know He is gentle and kind.*

*So believe in His great and good wisdom,
Trust in Him, as you patiently wait;
On His ship God is ever the pilot,
And the one you have loved is the mate*

FAMILY SENTIMENTS

Hon,

My heart will forever be filled with the love and joy you brought to our family and friends.

Love always,

Jan



A good person is a gift to the whole world "Forever in our Hearts"

Love, Nettie (sister-in-law) and the Higginbotham and Catalan Nephews and Nieces



Dear Dad

I thought of you today,
but that is nothing new.

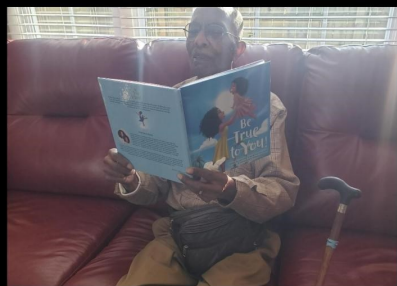
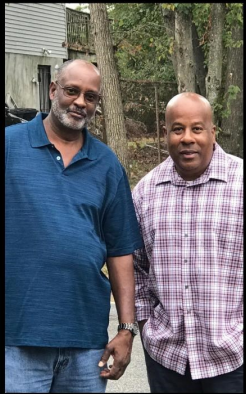
I thought about you
yesterday and days
before that too.

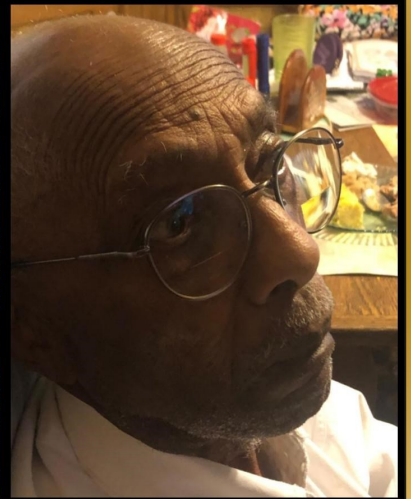
I think of you in silence,
I often speak your name.
All I have are memories and
your picture in a frame.

Your memory is a keepsake
from which I'll never part.

God has you in His arms,
I have you in my heart.

Love always, Kelli





CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

God Will Take Care of You

*Be not dismayed whate'er betide,
God will take care of you;
Beneath his wings of love abide,
God will take care of you.*

Chorus:

*God will take care of you,
through every day, o'er all the way;
He will take care of you,
God will take care of you.*

*Through days of toil when heart doth fail,
God will take care of you;
When dangers fierce your path assail,
God will take care of you.*

Chorus

*All you may need He will provide,
God will take care of you;
Nothing you ask will be denied,
God will take care of you.*

Chorus

*No matter what may be the test,
God will take care of you;
Lean, weary one, upon his breast,
God will take care of you.*

Chorus

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

To From the Heart Church Ministries, family, and friends: Our family is forever thankful, always grateful, and abundantly blessed by your love and prayers during this time. We extend a special acknowledgement to Mrs. Latina Whitley for her compassion while caring for our loved one as she so kindly took the time and effort during difficult times to make Nathaniel comfortable and happy. May God continue to bless all of us!

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and Accent Hospice Care.*

PALLBEARERS

*Kenneth D. Brooks, Sr., Gregory D. Brown
Samuel E. Brown III, Samuel E. Brown IV
Clifton O. Neal*

FLOWER BEARERS

Family and Friends

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