



## James E Brown

January 24, 1959 - October 8, 2022

### HIS JOURNEY...

James Edward “Puddin” Brown departed this life on Saturday, October 8, 2022 at his home in Salisbury, Maryland. He was born to Bobby Jean Brown and the late Elois Brown on January 24, 1959 in Salisbury, MD. Puddin, as he was affectionately called, graduated from Wicomico Senior High School in 1977. He attended NBS Law Enforcement Academy in Washington, D.C. and received his certificate in 1989. He was also a member of the Maryland National Guard for fourteen (14) years.

James was blessed in marriage to his wife of thirty-three (33) years, Darlene Diane Brown on July 1, 1989. From a very early age, he worked alongside his father and brother, John in the family logging business for over thirty (30) years. He later worked several retail jobs until he became employed at the Wicomico County Board of Education in the custodial department for nearly ten (10) years. He would then leave the Board of Education to pursue his own business venture in landscaping and floor care. He was the sole proprietor of James Brown Lawn Care and Cleaning. He was a contractor for several companies nationwide.

James loved sports as he was a die hard Green Bay Packers fan. He loved coaching basketball and working with the youth. He and his sister Jackie coached many basketball teams, and were heavily involved in coaching and

advocating for Women's and Men's basketball leagues. He later started his nonprofit program, A Community In Action. He made sure that no child left this program in need. He provided food, tutoring, and sewing classes to anyone who wanted to participate. James was able to coordinate several trips for children and parents to Washington, D.C. to see the Washington Wizards and the Mystics play at the Verizon Center. This gave children the opportunity to meet NBA and WNBA players as well as get autographs and photos.

James was fun-loving and always had a joke waiting. He loved helping others and giving to others. He especially loved working at his church as the building and grounds president. He took great pride in his work.

James leaves to cherish loving memories: his wife, Darlene; eight children, Jaracus Copes of Columbia, MD, Nicole Brown (Monique) of Covington, GA, Mark Johnson, Jr. (Amber), Candice Davis and Mary Dent, all of San Antonio, TX, Anthony Griffin of Salisbury, MD, Tiana Douglas of Columbia, MD and Edward Brown of Mechanicsburg, PA. James also leaves unforgettable memories with: his mother, Bobby Jean Brown; one sister, Jackie Eloise Brown-Thomas of Salisbury, MD; two brothers, Jimmy L. Brown (Paula) of Aberdeen, MD and John Gregory Brown of Severn, MD; one aunt, Minnie Lee Stokes of Valdosta, GA; fifteen (15) grandchildren; one great-grandchild; several nieces and nephews and a host of cousins, in-laws and friends.

Preceding James in death were his father, Elois Brown and his brother Jerry Brown.

SUBMITTED WITH LOVE ~ THE FAMILY

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **15**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Family Worship Center Truth Ministries Church of God  
1707 West Road  
Salisbury, MD 21801

## Funeral Service

OCT **15**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

DA

“ Uncle Puddin. I think about you often. Only we know what that Brown bond is and what came with it. We fuss, we fight, we party no matter what the circumstances or strife, 1 call just one and we ain question... You will never know the void you left in your mother, sister, and brother's life. lol (fussing and gossiping on the phone) I see how they yearn for it and often miss it. Rest easy. Kiss pop pop, uncle Jerry and Ma Minnie for me. Tell them I Love them and miss em. And foreal I miss your triphlin tail too! But I still hear "Yell" and you calling mom mom "Bags" I know you thinking of me too. I will always cherish the you I remember and thank God for my 4 uncles who helped rear and mold me. We got "Bags" (Mom mom) Muahh.  
Danielle

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Danielle - April 23, 2024 at 03:01 PM

BB

“ God knew when the struggle was too much to bare, your good work is done. Rest in Heaven! Love always your little cousin,  
Bernadine



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Bernadine Brown - October 15, 2022 at 10:37 AM

SW

“ Shaleeta Wright

*I want to send my condolences and sympathy to the James Brown family. I did not stay current in "Puddin's life. I went to Junior high school as well as High school in Salisbury. As others have stated he was a comical man, friendly and had lots of words, suggestions or every day advice for you. I can see Puddin now in high school calling my name down the hall or in Class I believe with Mr Johnson, he had a raspy voice but would say Shaleeta so stern. He was a good schoolmate we had great fun in the 70's. So I want you to know that even from far away he made a fond memory in my heart. Our year book class of 77 says it all fun loving group of people and friends 🙏🌹 RIP but I know we will see him again "plenty good room". Blessings to his family*

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**Shaleeta Wright** - October 15, 2022 at 03:04 AM

YA

“ James always had a lot to say and always made me laugh. Darlene hang in there God has you in his hands keep the faith. Terri and the family we will always be here for you. We love you very much

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**Yvonne Armwood** - October 14, 2022 at 07:41 PM

ED

“ Sending my deepest condolences to the Brown Family Father give this family strength as we lay uncle James Brown to rest Rap your arms around my aunt Darlene and his children through this difficult time My Continuous 🙏🏾 Are with you ALL  
E.Burks

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**Edwina** - October 14, 2022 at 12:18 PM

AS

“ *Condolences to the Brown family. Rest on my friend Puddin thank God for the talk that we always have and the one before you took your flight wishing you was still hear but God has the last say. R.i.p you know I loved you.*

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**Andrea A Miles Stevens** - October 14, 2022 at 07:41 AM

TJ

“ *My prayers and condolences are sent to Mr. Brown's family during this most difficult time. Mr. Brown was a gentle giant, full of jokes, great work ethic and always thinking of others. I have only known him a short time when he took on some small jobs at our business in Salisbury and was one of our tenants for storage. Mr. Brown was a hard worker and loved his family! He talked about both all the time. Take your rest Mr. Brown and may your loved ones receive all of the comfort and strength they require from God! It was my pleasure to meet you! Tammy Jenkins from uStoreMore*



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**Tammy Jenkins** - October 13, 2022 at 10:22 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of James E Brown.*



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October 13, 2022 at 09:38 PM

DB

“ *D. Burks lit a candle in memory of James E Brown*



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**D. Burks** - October 13, 2022 at 04:55 PM

DB

*To Darlene, EJ, Mark and the Brown family: Puddin as he was known by most, has left a heaviness in our hearts. The assignment that God trusted him with, he completed it well. He had a big heart and would help anyone he came in contact with. You will truly be missed by the Burks, Brown, and Adams and your church family. We love you James, as you know. Family, I am praying that God will strengthen you as he carries you through the difficult time of grief. Shalom!*

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**D. Burks** - October 13, 2022 at 05:09 PM



“ *Mr James Was my buddy my mom's best friend. I will never forget his sense of humor and big heart. May he live in our hearts forever.*

*Love,  
Ashy (as he called me)*



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**Ashley Moore** - October 13, 2022 at 02:16 PM