



Woodrow Brown

August 13, 1938 - April 21, 2016

Woodrow was born on August 13, 1938 in Wilmington, North Carolina to the late Robert and Mary Lou (Williams) Brown and raised by his loving grandmother, Mrs. Carrie Williams Brown Brinkley. He was preceded in death by his brother, Robert Brown, Jr. and nephew, Bertram Brown. He attended public schools in Wilmington and then North Carolina Central University in Durham, NC where he met his wife.

Woodrow eventually settled in White Plains, NY where he started Parkway Home Services Maintenance Corporation in 1972. He and Helen ran the company for over 35 years. When he was not working, Woody was an avid boater and fisherman; he fished from Salem, MA to Emerald Isle, NC. His favorite fishing spot was Oyster Bay, Long Island where he spent many weekends with his family. In addition to serving as a member of the Greenburgh Auxiliary Police, Woodrow found time to sit on the local school board and to be a community activist.

In 2005, Woody and Helen retired to Delaware in search of a quieter lifestyle. He was a member of St. Paul United Methodist Church where he was a member of the trustee board and a member of three choirs. He attended church regularly until illness prevented him from doing so. In retirement, he continued fishing, travelled extensively and became an avid carver of decoys under the tutelage of Douglas Gibson; he showed his work at numerous waterfowl festivals. In addition, he volunteered with the money management program for the state of Delaware and at the Milford Hospital.

He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Helen; two children, Derrick of Honolulu, HI and Lesley (Maclonza) Lee of Baltimore, MD; two grandchildren, Amber of White Plains, NY and Malik of Honolulu, HI; brother, Cleveland (Joyce) Brown of White Plains; brothers-in-law, Bruce (Claudine) Bailey of NY and James (Evelyn) Bailey of NY; sisters-in-law, Edith Bailey of NC and Beverly Herbert of CT; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Woodrow will be remembered as a loving and devoted husband, the world's greatest daddy and grandpa and a most wonderful friend and relative.

To send flowers to the family or plant a tree in memory of Woodrow Brown, please visit our Heartfelt Sympathies Store.

Tribute Wall

AW

“ Extending deepest sympathy to family and friends in this time of sorrow. Please find comfort in knowing that soon all those in the memorial tombs will hear Jesus' voice and come out. (John 5:28,29) Until that blessed day, may the GOD of all comfort grant you peace (2 Cor. 1:3,4) while many fond memories of Mr. Woodrow warm your hearts.

A. Wingfield - April 28, 2016 at 12:00 AM

EK

“ Helen and family: We were saddened to hear of Woody's passing. Please know our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. We have often thought of both of you and the good times we had at the bowling league. We will remember the good times as they will bring a smile to our faces. Hold your memories close to your heart, Woody will be with you always. May he rest in peace.

E. J. & PAUL KEARNS - April 28, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MJ

“ I would like to offer my sincere condolences for your loss. I hope the family will find some comfort and strength in Jesus promise of the earthly resurrection, when Jesus will restore life to the dead(Acts 24:15)and the renewed Paradise earth, where death will be no more and no family will mourn the death of a loved one.-Revelation 21:3,4;John 5:28,29;Luke 23:43. May GOD(Psalms 83:18)grant you peace and comfort now, during this grievous time.-Matthew 5:4

M Jones - April 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM

HE

“ *My deepest condolences on your loss. Please know you are not alone in your grief, as the God of comfort promises to be with you during this time. (2 Corinthians 1:3,4)*

Heidi E - April 22, 2016 at 12:00 AM