



Roderick Devonn Brown

June 3, 1961 - March 21, 2023

THE BEGINNING

Reverend Roderick Devonn Brown, better known as “Hot Rod, Hot, Rev. Hot and Uncle Hot”, was born June 03, 1961, in Birmingham, Alabama, to the late Mr. David Ree & Mrs. Remertha Jones Brown (who preceded him in death). Roderick, the second oldest of four siblings, grew up in a nurturing home where the word of God was taught.

THE JOURNEY

Rod began his educational development in the Birmingham School System graduating from Riley Elementary School in 1975 and Wenonah High School in 1979 and an avid football player of the Mighty Dragons. He furthered his education by attending Virginia College and receiving his Associate of Science Degree and University of Alabama in Birmingham. He later became a member of Hillman Masonic Lodge #108. Since he could not play college or professional football due to a heart murmur, he turned to coaching little league football. He was a dedicated fan of Alabama “Roll Tide” Football and the Pittsburg Steelers.

He was a devoted member of the working society first with National Computer Print, Birmingham, Alabama for about 30 years and lastly Mitsubishi Electric Heating and Air Conditioning, Suwanee, Georgia.

He met the love of his life, Bessie Williams and they became one on September 26, 2015, then beginning their lives together as a resident of Buford, Georgia.

Just as a caterpillar transforms to a butterfly, Rod evolved to become an amazing man, in every way....a unique butterfly. He was truly intelligent, as he had an uncanny ability to communicate with everyone on any level, as he was down to earth. Rod was kind, warm, loving, caring, with a spirit of philanthropy and benevolence, and always willing to give the benefit of the doubt. He was candid, feisty, determined, no-nonsense, and tenacious. He was an inspiration to all. His love for God, family, and friends transcended all. He was slow to trust and was a very private person, but once he gave his love and trust, his loyalty and devotion, like the Papa Bear, were given unconditionally and were everlasting. He was inwardly beautiful and physically handsome, yet demure and humble. His beautiful and glorious Earthly life came to an end on Tuesday, March 21, 2023, at 4:45 a.m.

He had several very close family members precede him in death; niece, Chad'e A. Evans on July 10, 2017, brother-in-law, Charles R. Bryant on October 04, 2017, best friend, Willie J. Gilmore, Jr., on July 25, 2019, cousin, Felecia R. Harris on October 01, 2019, the youngest sibling, Richard D. Brown on October 15, 2020, first-cousin, Lillie Pearl Lloyd on October 17, 2020, nephew, DeUndre' J. Rushon on July 06, 2021, niece, Alethea W. Rushon on August 23, 2022 and cousin, Jarrod Jones on October 17, 2022.

THE SERVANT'S WORK

Rod confessed Christ at the age of 14 and joined Galilee Missionary Baptist Church of Grasselli Heights, Birmingham, Alabama, under the pastoral ship of Reverend Myron Hamner in 1975. He served his youthful years on the Youth Usher Board and Sunday School. The most important accomplishment to Rod was becoming an ordained Minister on March 03, 1996, under the direction

and vast leadership of Dr. Larry D. Coleman, Sr.

He leaves to cherish and preserve his memory: a loving and devoted wife, Bessie, one daughter (baby girl), Stephanie (Dennis) Chukwuemeka of Greensboro, NC, one sister, Vanessa Brown Bryant; one brother, Willie (Belinda) Rushon, Jr., both of Birmingham, AL; four grandchildren, Jayemasen, Kayelan, Layeton and Mayer; sister-in-law, Leslie Williams of Montgomery, AL; brothers-in-law, Walter James Williams of Pine Level, AL, Tyrone Williams of Texas, Stacey Williams of Banks, AL, Pastor Kelvin (Kennethee) Bryant and Derrick C. Bryant both of Birmingham, AL; nieces, Danyietta, Ashli, Tekesha, Marquita, Janay and Kimber (Trey); nephews, Renwick, LaJaune, Brandon, Marquis and Brandon (Shannette); great-niece, Khadijah; great-nephews, Daizhan, Renwick Jr., and Braylon, and a host of cousins, other relatives, church family and friends.

Cemetery Details

Memorial Park Cemetery

2030 Memorial Park Dr.
Gainesville, GA 30504

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 31. 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Wimberly Funeral Home
325 Summitt St SE
Gainesville, GA 30501
(770) 536-3251
info@wimberlyjackson.com
<https://www.wimberlyjacksonfuneralhome.com>

Visitation

MAR 31. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Bethel Church of the Nazarene
1900 Garden Blvd.
Gainesville , GA 30507

Service

APR 1. 12:00 PM (ET)

Gainesville Bethel Church of the Nazarene
1900 Garden Dr
Gainesville, GA 30507-5001
(770) 297-9881

Tribute Wall



“ *Roderick Devonn Brown*

October 22, 2023 at 04:48 PM



“ *I have lost my best friend. The father who loved me and always told me how proud he was of me. The one who made me laugh. The man who taught me so many life lessons. I have no idea how I will get by without you. But just know your baby girl misses you and loves you.*



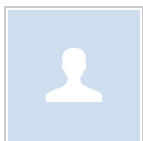
Stephanie Chukwuemeka - March 31, 2023 at 02:42 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Roderick Devonn Brown.*



March 31, 2023 at 12:19 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Roderick Devonn Brown.*



March 31, 2023 at 11:07 AM

PC

“ Paul Cockrell purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Roderick Devonn Brown.



Paul Cockrell - March 29, 2023 at 03:17 PM

GP

“ My condolences to the family in their time of loss. I pray for comfort and strength, and the knowledge that they will be together again. Peace and blessings.



Gina Rogers Price - March 29, 2023 at 08:39 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Roderick Devonn Brown.



March 27, 2023 at 11:35 AM

KG

“ Roderick, you will be missed! Praying for your family.

Keicha Gardner - March 24, 2023 at 04:12 PM

DC

“ Rod, you will be deeply missed. You have touched everyone in this office, somehow someway. People didn't have to know you long to experience you. It saddens me that I won't be able to see you walk down the hall, smiling and just being the cheerful person that you was. I will never hear you say "it's all good" again & that hurts. But, I know you're in a better place & we will meet again soon. In the words of Roderick Brown... "ITS ALL GOOD" <3.

Destiny Crump - March 24, 2023 at 03:45 PM

RP

“ What a wonderful and kind soul Roderick was. It is a sad time for all of us but Heaven just got brighter with his presence.

Rick Powell - March 24, 2023 at 03:23 PM

JF

“ James (Jeff) Taylor and Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Roderick Devonn Brown.



James (Jeff) Taylor and Family - March 24, 2023 at 03:13 PM

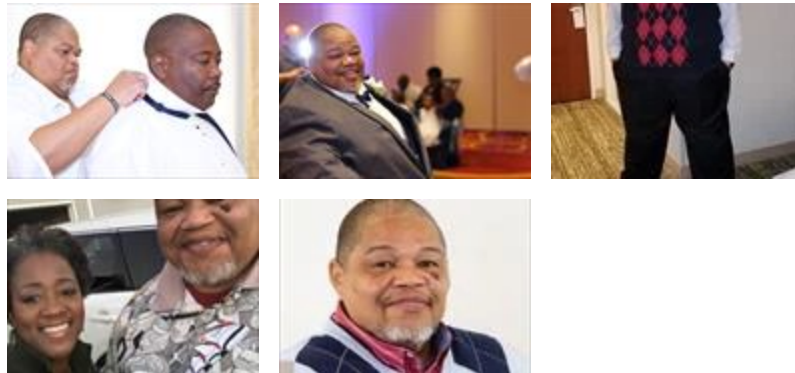
TJ

“ I was jolted and saddened by the unfortunate news of your passing. I’m sending love and peace. I’ve been praying for your wife, family, and colleagues of Mitsubishi Electric ever since because I know from my own experiences with loss how life altering earthly farewells are. Rod was a good man. In the short time that I knew & worked with him, he was always upbeat, calm, cool, & collected. He exemplified his life’s creed or motto “It’s all good”. Whenever he communicated, whether verbal, gestures, or email, he always reassured you that “It’s all good”. I undoubtedly believe he kept that same energy throughout his transition. I pray his wife, family, & loved ones are blessed beyond words or imagination. My heart goes out to you at this difficult time. Rest well Rod.
“It’s All Good”!

Tyrice Johnson - March 24, 2023 at 07:37 AM

BW

“ 6 files added to the tribute wall



Bessie Williams-Brown - March 23, 2023 at 04:21 PM

BW

The Love of my Life!!

Bessie Williams-Brown - March 23, 2023 at 04:22 PM

MJ

“ *Very saddened to hear of passing sending prayers to your wife and family. Marco K Johnson Birmingham Alabama*



Marco Johnson - March 23, 2023 at 01:24 AM