



Willie Brown

July 4, 1931 - June 14, 2010

Funeral service will take place at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, June 19, 2010, at True Vine Baptist Church, 2930 Janes Street. Rev. Paul E. Broaddus, Pastor. Pastor Emeritus Roosevelt Austin, Sr. will officiate with interment in Eastlawn Memorial Gardens. Friends may call at Browne's Mortuary, 441 N. Jefferson Ave., on Friday from 2:00 until 8:00 p.m. The family will be present from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m. Mr. Willie Brown passed away Monday, June 14, 2010, at the age of 78 years. He was born July 4, 1931, in Bishopville, SC, the son of Eddie and Mary (McDaniel) Brown. He was baptized at an early age at St. Mark Baptist Church in Bishopville, SC. Mr. Brown was a faithful member of True Vine Baptist Church and was a member of the Male Chorus, Gospel Choir and Mass Choir. He retired from General Motors after 38 years of service and was a member of UAW Local 668. Mr. Brown leaves to cherish precious memories, his wife of 27 years, Vivian Keys Brown; 2 daughters, Tanya Alexander, Saginaw, MI and C. Michelle Jones, West Bloomfield, MI; 4 sons, Bennie (Mary Ward) Brown, Robbie Brown, all of Saginaw, MI, Bobby Bowman, Minneapolis, MN and Jackie Pearson, Bishopville, SC; those whom he helped raise: nephew, James (Kimberly) Simon; stepson, Joseph (Robin) Lay; grandsons, Allen (Teriesha) Fields and Benny (Miayanna) Brown, Jr.; stepchildren, Mattie Leonard, Cincinnati, OH and George Lay, Saginaw, MI; Godchildren, Andre Brown, Bettina Redeemer, Kasharra Patterson, Kiara Brown and Monique Booth; 13 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren; a host of nieces and nephews; sisters-in-law, Alice Brown, Saginaw, MI and

Evelyn (Daniel) Keys Spears, Angleton, TX; mother-in-law, Ethel Keys, Wisner, LA; and a host of relatives and friends, including special friends, Curtis Burgess, Joshua Hicks, Willie Spencer, Earnest Matthews, Demarion Brown, Cederic Adams, Ledell Lenoir, his Marie Davis Center friends and Monday and Wednesday Twin Oaks Golf League friends. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Lorraine Smith Brown; son, Willie Edward Brown, brother, Thomas Brown, Sr., and granddaughter, Tairra Brown.

Tribute Wall



“ *I miss u when u left it hurt i miss u*

Dell Lenoir Sr - July 17, 2013 at 12:06 AM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. I will never forget the Male Chorus Anniversaries where he and my father, Dr. H. J. Coleman, Sr. would join with other quartet singers and bring the house down.*

Pastor Charles Coleman - June 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *TO TANYA AND FAMILY*

Sorry to hear about the loss of your dad. I just read his obituary. Loved to hear him sing in the choir. He's now singing in the heavenly choir.

We send our prayers, love and sympathy at this time even after the funeral to let you all know your prayers are still being heard.

May God continue to comfort each and everyone of you during this sad time in your lives.

Sincerely

*The Jackson Family
Saginaw, MI & Grand Rapids*

E.JACKSON & FAMILY - June 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ I pray that the love of God enfolds you during your difficult times and he helps you heal with the passage of time. I had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Brown when I joined Truevine. He was pleasant and always teased me about coming to choir practice. I will miss his presence. May God bless the family

Barbara Hollis-Lawson - June 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RO

“ Sorry to hear about your loss you have our prayers.
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Refford Oliver - June 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ We're praying For all of you.

Mary "Val" & Greg Brown - June 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ Vivan & Family

May God bless you in your hour of sorrow. Willie will truly be missed. God makes no mistakes he just needed another leader to sing in his holy choir. We will keep you in our thoughts and prayers

Mary Ann Thomas - June 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ To The Family

With deepest condolences during your time of sorrow. May God keep you and bless you at this time. "Weeping endureth for a night but joy cometh in the morning"

Shirlyn Price - June 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ *With our deepest sympathy.*

Mr.&Mrs. Milton,Catherine Townsend - June 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

C(

“ *To the family. With our deepest sympathy. As neighbors years ago growing up together,With His(Childrens) Mr. Willie Brown was a nice man. And will be sadly missed. You all are in my prayers.*

Catherine Townsend (Jackson) - June 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ *Verse: Psalm 55:22*

Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and he shall sustain thee.

*God is near . . .hearing every sigh,
catching every tear, guiding you back to the way of peace.*

With Deepest Sympathy. Nettie and Curtis

Mrs. Nettie Lain Pruitt - June 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Verse: John 14:3

If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again . . . that where I am, there ye may be also.

With God there are no endings, only endless beginnings.

May the Lord's precious promises bring you strength for today and hope for tomorrow.

*With Deepest Sympathy
Gloria*

Mrs. Gloria Lain Smith - June 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PR

“ *Sis V. Brown. May God bless you in you time of breavement You are not alone I am there for you anytime Day are Night. Remember weeping endure for A night But joy come in the morning.*

Para Redeemer - June 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CA

“ *I'm saddened by hearing of the homegoing of of Uncle Bill. I will miss him. My Father (Pastor Leroy Quin) use to sing with Uncle Bill. Those were some touching times when I heard them sing. I know I will see My Father and Uncle Brother again in the New Jerusalem. Be Blessed*

Carolyn Quinn - Allen - June 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ *"For his anger endureth but a moment; in his favour is life: weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning." Psalms 30:5*

Ruthie Hinton - June 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM