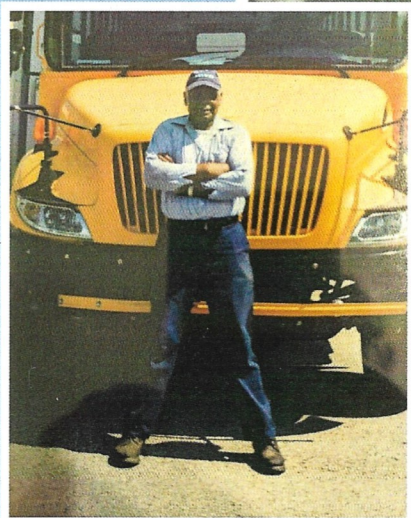


Celebration of Life  
For  
*Mr. Woodrow W. Brown, Sr.*



Saturday, July 15, 2023 – 11:00AM  
Friendship Baptist Church  
244 S Sage Street – Toccoa GA 30577

Rev. Tramon Butts, Pastor  
Rev. Karl D. Moore, Eulogist





## Obituary

Woodrow Wilson Brown, Sr was born on Sunday, June 14, 1931 in Boligee, Alabama to the late Steven and Moriah Brown. He was called to eternal rest on July 6, 2023 at the blessed and seasoned age of 92.

He was a long, committed and faithful member of the Friendship Baptist Church where he served in many capacities and roles – Deacon, Church Trustee and all-around Handyman and Groundman. He was the oldest serving Deacon and was fully committed to the betterment of Friendship at all times. He didn't wait until he was asked to do anything that was needed – it was done.... repaired, fixed, painted, hedges trimmed, grass cut, plumbing, electrical – anything! He especially received joy in preparing his famous Applesauce and Coleslaw for the Men's Chicken Ques. Another time of the year that he looked forward to was his assistance with the Annual Pre-Thanksgiving Dinner in opening the food cans the ladies would need assistance with in using his 'special Commercial Can Opener' and then the day of the event in filling his car to easily deliver 70 or more plates.

Born with an innate curiosity and a desire to serve others, Mr. Brown worked as a TV Repairman and had his own shop; but then pursued a career and retired from Milliken – Avalon Plant as an Industrial Electrician with a work ethic which earned him the admiration of his colleagues. Simultaneously, he embarked on another meaningful journey as a Bus Driver for the Stephens County Board of Education where he transported countless children safely to and from school, displaying an unwavering commitment to their well-being. It became apparent that he deeply cared for the children he transported. His stern but kind demeanor fostered an environment of respect, ensuring that all students onboard adhered to positive values. Despite his no-nonsense approach to maintaining order, Mr. Brown's compassion shone through as he nurtured and uplifted those under his care. He was "Mr. Brown", the Bus Driver for 41 years – retiring two weeks before his 80th Birthday.

Mr. Brown's military service is also worth noting as it was another indicator of his dedication and commitment. He served both in the U. S. Navy and the U.S. Army retiring as a Drill Sargent in the U.S. Army Reserves which also took place during his period of employment with Milliken and the School System.

Mr. Brown was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Henry Mae Jarrett Brown which their love and companionship were a source of strength throughout their lives together. Mr. Brown will be forever missed by his loving and caring children: Mae Eunice Brown-Orr (Emmett III), Woody Jr (Donna) –both of Toccoa, granddaughter Valarie Brown-Stephens (Stan) of Jefferson GA, grandson Geoffrey Brown of Austin TX and two great-grandsons: Dallas and Blake Stephens. He is also survived by his sister Addie Nickson of Flint MI and brother Monroe Brown of Los Angeles GA in addition to numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and friends near and far. Special recognition to family from here in Toccoa, Tuscaloosa and Birmingham AL, Mississippi, Detroit/Flint MI, Philadelphia PA, Neptune NJ and Long Island NY areas.



## Order of Service

Prelude	Edd Sullivan Minister of Music, Mt. Erie Baptist – San Diego, CA
Processional	Ministers and Family
Selection	Friendship Baptist Choir
Scriptures	
Old Testament	Rev. Floyd Means
New Testament	Rev. Jerry Dodd
Prayer of Comfort	Pastor Tramon Butts
Selection	Deacon Ronnie Haynie
Remarks	Lisa Bell, SC Bus Shop Director Attorney Willie Woodruff Jr Deacon L.J. Harrison
Silent Remembrance (Obituary)	
Reflections	Rev. Damion Hutchins
Acknowledgement and the Resolution	Cassandra Wilkins
Commemoration of Life	Rev. Karl D. Moore Pastor, Friendship Baptist Church
Family Remarks	Woodrow Brown Jr
Recessional	Friendship Baptist Choir
Interment with Full Military Honors	Stephens Memorial Gardens





# Acknowledgment and Appreciation

The family of Mr. Woodrow W Brown Sr. sincerely acknowledge all the many acts of kindness. For those who called, traveled long distances, sent floral tributes, cards and messages of condolences – we are most truly grateful for the many expressions of love, concern, and support during this difficult time of loss and sorrow.

## Flower Bearers

- Akilah Martin Mayweather
- Paula Prather Anderson
- Sonja Prather
- Valerie Pulliam
- Kim Wilson Daniel
- Angie Poole Woods
- Geraldine Cowan
- Cassandra Wilkins

Honorary Flower Bearers  
Deaconess and Mothers of Friendship

## Pallbearers

- Anthony Daniel
- Lyman Harrison
- Kendrick Maxwell
- Bobby Jones
- Tony Keye
- William Hunter
- Jack Cochran
- Kevin Collins

Honorary Pallbearers:  
Deacons of Friendship



*A husband, a father, a grandpapa too.  
This is the legacy we have from you.  
You taught us love and how to fight,  
You gave us strength, you gave us might.  
A stronger person would be hard to find,  
And in your heart, you were always kind.  
You fought for us all in one way or another,  
Not just as a husband, not just as a father.  
For all of us you gave your best.  
Now the time has come for you to rest.  
So go in peace, you've earned your sleep,  
Your love in our hearts, we'll forever keep.*

