

CELEBRATION
OF
LIFE
FOR



MELVIN
George Brown

Sunrise:
August 8, 1950

Sunset:
September 25, 2026

Saturday, October 3, 2026. 10am

Faith Christian Outreach Center
533 West 5th Street Plainfield, NJ 07060
Rev. Wilbur W. Robinson, Pastor

ORDER OF SERVICE

Musical Prelude

Processional The Family

Hymn of Comfort

Old & New Testament Elder Caroline Robinson

Old – Isaiah 25:8

New – 1 Thessalonians 4:13,14,18

Prayer of Comfort Deacon Mable Richardson

Solo Cynthia Payne

Acknowledgements/Cards Ms. Nancy Faison

Reading of Obituary

Special Tribute

Remarks (Two Minutes) - Family and Friends

Solo Cynthia Payne

Eulogy Pastor W. W. Robinson

Committal

Recessional

Interment

Rosehill Cemetery
792 East Edgar Road
Linden, New Jersey

Repast

Holy Ground Outreach Ministry
111 Roosevelt Ave.
Plainfield, NJ 07060

OBITUARY

Melvin George Brown departed this life on Friday, September 25, 2026.

Melvin was born on August 8, 1950, in Richmond, Virginia, to the late Grace Smith Rowe and George Brown, Jr. He lived in Westfield, NJ, for a time before making his home in Plainfield, NJ, where he received his education.

Melvin worked several jobs throughout his life, including at the family business, Brown's Automotive in Plainfield, NJ. He worked alongside his father, George, and his uncle Jesse as a mechanic specializing in brakes. He also made deliveries to nearby stores and drove the tow truck. For a time, he owned a towing business of his own. His final place of employment was The Star-Ledger Newspaper, where he worked until his retirement.

In May 1982, Melvin married Janice Johnson. Together they had three children: Dion, Corey, and Loretia. Melvin loved playing Chess and loved to teach his children and grandchildren how to play. He also loved spending time with his family and made sure his children understood the importance of sticking together. He didn't play about getting an education, either. He taught his children and grandchildren to learn, save their money, make their own money, and have something of their own. As his family would tell you, money was always on his mind!

Melvin leaves to cherish his memory his wife, Janice Brown; his daughter, Loretia Brown, daughter-in-law Charmaine Brown and his ten grandchildren: Nazeer Brown, Tynasia Brown, Jahki Brown, Corrie Brown, Nadia Brown, Jordyn Brown-Chandler, Cassie Brown, Quamir Walden, Quincy Walden, and Marcus Anderson.

He is also survived by his mother, Dorothy Brown of Piscataway, NJ; his brothers Billy Brown (Sheila) of Baltimore, MD, George Brown III of Piscataway, NJ, and Henry Kiser of Gastonia, NC; and his sisters Barbara Stewart and Annette Moore of Gastonia, NC, Sister-in-law Sheila Manual of West End, NC. He also leaves a host of nieces and nephews, other family members, and friends, including his goddaughters Ashante Guild-Christie and Sherrell Hall; his godson Sherron Watson; and his special friends Ruth Currie (Candy), Brenda Watson, Edward Hall (his Chess Buddy) and Michael Rivers.

Along with his parents, Melvin was preceded in death by his two sons Dion Johnson and Corey Brown, his brother, Steve Brown; and his sisters, Dinita Brown and Betty Dance.

Pallbearers
Family and Friends

AFTERGLOW

*I'd like the memory of me
To be a happy one,
I'd like to leave an afterglow
Of smiles when day is done.
I'd like to leave an echo
Whispering softly down the ways,
Of happy times and laughing times
And bright and sunny days.
I'd like the tears of those who grieve
To dry before the sun
Of happy memories that I leave behind,
When the day is done.
-Helen Lowrie Marshall*

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