



Acknowledgements

For all the kindness you have shown,
we thank you very much.
For sympathy in sorrowing days,
for friendship's healing touch.
With gratitude our hearts are full,
though words cannot convey;
The tender thoughts and thankfulness,
we hold for you today.
The Family of Roosevelt D. Brown



Pallbearers

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Anthony Ashley • Taron Terry
Leon Hadley III • Jalen Houston
Walter Huff • Craig "TJ" Fitzpatrick
Aubrey Franklin • Timothy Purifoy
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A Service of Memory Celebrating the Life of Roosevelt D. Brown August 21, 1967 — April 25, 2022



Sunday, May 1, 2022 at 2:00 p.m.

Preston Charles Funeral Home
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Bishop Dora Bronston, *Officiating*

Obituary

Roosevelt Delray Brown “Ray” was born on August 21, 1967 in Daytona, Florida to Mae F. Smith and the late Roosevelt Brown. He returned to the earth April 25, 2022.

Ray moved to Miami, Florida at a young age. He attended Parkway Middle School and Miami Norland Senior High. Ray, being an honorable man, then joined the military. Life’s journey brought him to Middletown in 2010.

Ray loved sports. He was an official Steelers fan. He enjoyed fishing, music and being with family. Knowing Ray was knowing his true passion was BBQing and cooking. Ray could smoke a rib right off the bone! His loud and strong voice could not go unnoticed. Ray was wise and worked hard to provide. He was so proud of his last business, B&B Southern Smoke he launched with Ashanti.

Ray loved his family. He goes to join his father, Roosevelt Brown and sister, Bonita Brown. He leaves to cherish his memory: his loving mother, Mae F. Smith; soulmate and forever partner, Ashanti Barefield; his beautiful daughters, Ariel McKissick, Antoinette Woodberry and Shania Purifoy; his handsome sons, Deven Rashaud Brown and Craig Fitzpatrick “TJ”; sisters, Alishia “Gail” Brown and Tawana (Jesse)

Houston; brother, Carl (Joya) Smith, Jr.; and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, close family and friends. He had a special place in his heart for his Auntie Shirley “Shirt” Mulkey and cousins, Taron and Tramell Terry.

*With tears upon my cheek
Remembering you is easy,
I do it everyday.
But missing you is a heartache
That never goes away.
I hold you tightly within my heart
And there you will remain;
You see life has gone on without you,
But will never be the same.*

Author Unknown



Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name’s sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Order of Service

Organ PreludeJohn Burg
Prayer.....Bishop Dora Bronston
ScriptureBishop Dora Bronston
Selection.....Sheila Siffel
Acknowledgements.....Clinton Terry
RemarksLimit to 2 minutes
ObituaryRead Silently
Selection.....Kiyaa Bowens and John Burg
EulogyBishop Dora Bronston
Benediction.....Bishop Dora Bronston
Recessional

