



Leo Brown Sr.

January 20, 1939 - January 21, 2023

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Deacon Leo Brown, Sr., was born to Enell and Curtis Brown, Sr., on January 20, 1939, in LaGrange, Texas. He departed this life January 21, 2023. Leo was preceded in death by both parents, two children: Linda Young and Kathy Hill. Two sisters: Gloria J. Manor and Ella Mae Williams; four brothers: Arthur C. Brown (AC), Pastor Isaiah Manor, Torris Dickerson and Curtis Brown, Jr.

He attended Carver High School in Georgetown where he played football and baseball. During baseball he got hit, breaking his left wrist. That ended his seasons for both football and baseball. He also attended Austin Community College where he studied Business Administration.

Leo had four children, Linda, Kathy, Leo Jr., and Jimmy from a previous marriage to Virginia Marshall.

In 1976 he married Shirley J. Mackey-Brown and to this union one child was born, LaTonya R. Brown.

He left the country farm lifestyle, in Jonah, at the age of 17 years old, to find work in the Austin area. He worked various temp jobs and always sent money

back home to his parents. He finally got a job with the City of Austin Bergstrom Airport in the Aviation Department in 1961-1988. Upon retirement with the City, he continued to work at the airport as a Sky Cap for many years. He worked for the Austin Independent School District and then at St. James Missionary Baptist Church until his health started to fail.

Leo's city night life included being the Owner and Manager of a band named Jean and The Rolletts. The band was named after his sister, Gloria Jean. Leo played bass guitar, and she played lead guitar. The band traveled throughout different cities, states, and counties to play Rock and Roll and Blues. His son, Leo Jr., would occasionally travel with the band to play drums and daughter, Linda would sing.

Leo's love for the country led him to lease property in Manor, TX where he would load his grandchildren in the back of his pickup truck to help raise, feed, and sell hogs and cows ...not to forget beef for home. A favorite event he loved to attend was the gray hound races. He loved fishing and as he got older, loved planting a garden each year, sewing during covid, and working in the yard. Most of all, he loved spending time with his grandchildren.

He joined St. James Missionary Baptist Church in 1985 under the leadership of Rev. E.M. Franklin. Leo accepted Christ in 1985 but did not become fully committed to Christ until he gave up singing and guitar playing in the clubs. His love for music and Christ led him to join the Male Chorus. His membership continued under Dr. B.W. McClendon. In 1995 he became President of the Male Chorus and was renamed the "E.M. Franklin Male Chorus", in honor of the late Pastor Franklin. He was also Ordained as a Deacon in 1995 and begin to work on the Finance Team, participated in Sunday School, Bible Study and became part of the Kitchen Staff. Leo remained faithful to his calling until God called him home.

Those who will honor and cherish his memory includes his devoted and caring wife of 46 years and 9 months Shirley J. Mackey-Brown. His children, Leo Brown Jr., (Chandrika) Manor, Tx, Jimmy Brown, (Deshone), Austin, Tx., and LaTonya R. Brown, Katy, Tx. Stepdaughter, Vickie Hardin-Bledsoe, Manor, Tx and Two stepsons; Altee Hardin, Jr., (Valerie) and Keith Hardin (Deidre) Arlington, Tx.

Leo also leaves his village of 28 grandchildren, 29 great grandchildren and 1 great great grandchild; One sister, Ethel Green and three brothers: Wilbert Brown (Sharon), all of Austin, Tx., Charles Toliver-Brown, LaGrange, Tx., and Clourid Williams, Houston, Tx.; and a host of nieces, nephews, relative and friends.

Cemetery Details

Cook-Walden Memorial Hill Cemetery

14501 North IH 35
PFLUGERVILLE, TX 78660

Previous Events

PUBLIC VIEWING FOLLOWING CDC GUIDELINES

FEB 3. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

St. James Baptist Church
3417 E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd
Austin, TX 78721

Celebration Service

FEB 4. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Leo Brown Sr.*

October 06, 2023 at 07:08 AM



“ *I am so sorry to read about the passing of Brother Brown. My husband and I just saw him recently. He was a great man and always showed the love of Christ to us. Our condolences to the family and especially his wife, Shirley. May our Lord bring you comfort and His healing. Love, Ron and Renee Chadwick*



Renee Chadwick - February 28, 2023 at 11:39 PM



“ *My condolences and prayers go out to the family. He will be missed and the good memories will be cherished. I'm glad GOD allowed us to cross paths and I am grateful. I will be lifting the family and friends in prayer.*

Duke Kinley and family

Duke Kinley - February 16, 2023 at 12:11 PM



“ *Natalie D Robinson lit a candle in memory of Leo Brown Sr.*



Natalie D Robinson - February 06, 2023 at 10:07 PM

NR

My Cousin Brown....

This one hits hard for me. I know you and Porter Williams were my 'Look Out Cuzins'. I wished someone would say something to me or about me. Y'all knew I was the quiet one. (lol) And you dared someone to do or say something about me. Y'all would let them have it! My prayers are with cousin Shirley and the rest of our family you are going to be truly missed! You'll be in my thoughts and prayers.

Natalie D Robinson - February 06, 2023 at 10:19 PM

FM

“ *Deacon Brown was one of my favorite Deacons at St. James. His smile and fatherly embrace always made me feel at home, since my dad was far away! He was a kind and consistent person who loved the Lord and his church family! He will be truly missed!*

Freda and Clark Mills

Freda Mills - February 03, 2023 at 01:40 PM



LH

“ *Shirley and family, our love and prayers are with you at this difficult time. We will cherish time times we had at St. James with you in Jr. Mission and with Leo in the Male Chorus. Tanya and our kids were youth at St. James together and Leo was always helpful at Reagan High School. May God's comfort and peace cover you all. Love Carl and Linda Harvey and family*

Linda Harvey - February 03, 2023 at 12:09 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Leo Brown Sr..*



February 03, 2023 at 12:02 PM



“ *Shirley, my daughters, and I want you to know our thoughts and prayers are with you and the family. I want to thank you for sharing your and Leo's friendship with me for the last 33 years. His friendship has had a profound impact on my life. You always knew where you stood with Leo because he had no problems telling you how it was.*

Leo was a true friend. He told you the truth when you didn't want to hear it. He told me when I was wrong, he supported me when I was right, and stood by me in my failures. Leo was my friend...

So you can take solace knowing heaven has gained a new Saint, and the angels rejoice. We shall see Leo again, just not yet. May the God of all Truth, Life, and Love, comfort you in the times to come.

We love you.

Jerry, Mary, and Briana



JR Robinson - February 03, 2023 at 11:55 AM

JB

“ Jerry, Mary, and Briana purchased the Beautiful i
n Blue for the family of Leo Brown Sr..



Jerry, Mary, and Briana - February 03, 2023 at 11:44 AM

P(

“ Pawpaw I will miss your smile and hearing your
voice. I am grateful God allowed me to speak to
you recently to hear your voice. The day we
spoke you left a voicemail, glad you did; I can
keep it for memories to come.

*I am blessed to have special memories with
you...going to the farm and running from those hogs; car rides;
sitting on the couch while you sit in your stool watching your
Western shows, etc.*

My prayers go out to my family during this sad time.



Parese Brown (Rese) - February 03, 2023 at 08:50 AM

MG

“ Margie Green lit a candle in memory of Leo
Brown Sr.



Margie Green - February 02, 2023 at 03:55 PM

CB

“ *Condolences and prayers to The Brown Family & Extended Families.*



Carolyn S. Ballard-Walker - February 02, 2023 at 08:51 AM

RS

“ *Rev. Larry D. Gray, Sr. lit a candle in memory of Leo Brown Sr.*



Rev. Larry D. Gray, Sr. - February 02, 2023 at 08:19 AM

NT

“ *Nancy Thompson lit a candle in memory of Leo Brown Sr.*



Nancy Thompson - February 01, 2023 at 11:20 PM

LW

“ *Latrice Wilson lit a candle in memory of Leo Brown Sr.*



latrice wilson - January 31, 2023 at 06:47 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Leo Brown Sr..*



January 31, 2023 at 09:57 AM



“ *LaTonya Brown sent a virtual gift in memory of Leo Brown Sr.*



LaTonya Brown - January 29, 2023 at 01:09 PM



“ *LaTonya Brown lit a candle in memory of Leo Brown Sr.*



LaTonya Brown - January 29, 2023 at 01:09 PM



“ *I will miss you Deacon Leo Brown. God truly anointed you to sing His praises and my favorite was, "I gave up everything to Him". You have gone from labor to reward!!*

Daphne O. - January 27, 2023 at 07:07 PM

KM

“ *Kathy Magee lit a candle in memory of Leo Brown Sr.*



Kathy Magee - January 27, 2023 at 03:51 PM

VB

“ *Vickie Bledsoe lit a candle in memory of Leo Brown Sr.*



Vickie Bledsoe - January 27, 2023 at 03:10 PM

IH

“ *India Hicks lit a candle in memory of Leo Brown Sr.*



india hicks - January 26, 2023 at 10:25 PM

PB

“ *Patricia A. Bushner lit a candle in memory of Leo Brown Sr.*



Patricia A. Bushner - January 26, 2023 at 09:05 PM

SC

“ *Shawntay Clemons lit a candle in memory of Leo Brown Sr.*



shawntay Clemons - January 26, 2023 at 05:59 PM

DH

“ *Deborah Hargis lit a candle in memory of Leo Brown Sr.*



Deborah Hargis - January 26, 2023 at 03:09 PM

VI

“ *I love u soo much papa u were more than a papa u were a father n u will truly be missed* 🤍🥹-victoria



victoria - January 26, 2023 at 12:35 AM

DG

“ *Dorothy Gregg lit a candle in memory of Leo Brown Sr.*



Dorothy Gregg - January 25, 2023 at 10:39 PM

IN

“ Papa, I love and miss you so much. I can't wrap my mind around this I'm in such awe. Rest well papa see you later.



india - January 25, 2023 at 08:55 PM

CS

“ Cynthia Sibley lit a candle in memory of Leo Brown Sr.



Cynthia Sibley - January 25, 2023 at 06:59 PM

SC

“ Grandpa,
35 years of love I received. So many great memories From creating home videos, Farm visits walking us down to the creek, parks, event places, kickball games, track meets, restaurants I can go all day . The pile of jet magazines we e touch until you read them 📖. Us sitting at the table looking at obituaries in the news paper section B metro and state. Church!! From Sunday school, btu, Wednesday night choir, cleaning the church. Saturday morning we never ate cereal you had a hot breakfast and we HAd to eat everything in our plates!! Many days i sat at that table for hours lol. I could go on and on! I love you always Your favorite Shawntay 🥰

Shawntay Clemons - January 25, 2023 at 03:52 PM

KJ

“🕊️ *words truly can't express the emptiness we feel right now grandpa. Saying goodbye just doesn't feel real. We are going to miss you so much.*



Krystal Jones-Williams - January 25, 2023 at 03:29 PM

KL

“ *Kitsten Lee lit a candle in memory of Leo Brown Sr.*



Kitsten Lee - January 25, 2023 at 10:38 AM

TB

“ *My daddy loved his family especially all of his grandchildren. When I had mine he just forgot all about me through, I would ask for something and he told no so I would send the kids to ask for things on my behalf instead especially india and he always said yes*

tonya brown - January 25, 2023 at 09:44 AM

TB

Daddy was a great man a honest man a man of God. Daddy you will forever be missed

tonya brown - January 25, 2023 at 09:48 AM

RH

“ Grandpa, you was more than just a grandfather you was my dad my friend a person who i could always call no matter the circumstances. You gave good honest advice. You raised me taught me right from wrong made sure i kept my head in them books and in church as a kid and i thank you for that. I remember as a kids every Saturday i would smell that sausage bacon hotcakes and oatmeal on the stove the aroma always filled the house and i was excited, even though i spit the oatmeal out thats a memory that ill never forget. The bible say if you bring a child up in the way they should go when they get older they will never depart from it. Thanks to you i know God!!! So i know we will see one another again!!Grandpa i could write a book about what a great man you are but ill be brief i just want to thank you for everything you’ve taught me and all the love that you gave me young man now go get your rest KING you deserve it.. Until we meet again watch over me i love you GRANDPA

Regina Hutchison - January 25, 2023 at 07:25 AM