



Mr. Elbert Brown

June 2, 2012

Elbert Brown, age 72 of Vienna, VA departed this life on Saturday, June 2, 2012 at his home, of natural causes. He was born October 19, 1939 in Statesboro, GA to George and Emily (Howard) Brown. He was a graduate of Roosevelt High School in Dayton, OH, Class of 1958. He earned his Bachelor's degree from Ohio University and continued on to receive his Masters degree from Cornell University. He proudly served his country in the U.S. Army during the Viet Nam war.

Residing in the Washington D.C. area since 1972, he had a distinguished career with the American Red Cross and retired from his role as Vice President of Eastern Operations. Elbert traveled extensively, visiting family and friends worldwide.

He was a sports enthusiast who enjoyed basketball, football and tennis. He was an avid reader and inspired writer who frequently shared his favorite books, letters and handwritten cards. Throughout his life, his desire was to locate his extended family and he worked to preserve and share our family history. He was the glue and the voice of reason that brought the Browns together on many occasions.

As the youngest child of George and Emily Brown, he was close to his brothers and sisters, and formed a special bond with his nieces, nephews and their children. He enjoyed planning and attending the McCall-Tyson family

reunion.

Elbert is survived by a brother Milledge Brown of White Plains, New York and a sister Beatrice and brother-in-law Rufus Pope of Portsmouth, VA and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and other relatives and friends.

Visitation will be begin at 12:30 pm with the funeral service beginning at 1:30 pm on Sunday June 10, 2012 at the Ben Samuel Hill Memorial Chapel of Hill's Mortuary, 58 Packinghouse Road Statesboro, GA., 30458 on June 10, 2012.

Internment will be at Bulloch Memorial Garden, in Statesboro, GA.

Final rites entrusted to Hill's Mortuary, Inc.

Tribute Wall

JW

“ *Elbert and I were friends going back to his days living in Toledo Ohio in the late sixties. We had wonderful times together. Going to parties and clubs, dancing, listening to music, watching basket ball games and going to games. He got to know my family and I remember his conversations about his job with the Red Cross and his dreams of moving through the ranks of the organization. I wish I had gone on one of his fabulous trips to Brazil that he so dearly loved for so many years.*

Dear Elbert was a sweet and loving man.

He had a good sense of humor and fun and he truly was a very caring person who would always go out of his way to support a friend. His memory will last a lifetime and he will always be missed and loved.

My best wishes to his dear family. Sincerely, John Wohl Detroit MI

john wohl - May 05, 2014 at 11:59 PM

JO

“ *My deepest sympathies to the Brown and Sinclair families-Elbert so often spoke of you all sharing fond memories of family interests and gatherings. He was especially proud of his nieces and nephews the new generation his words gifted with love and kinship—I can only describe Elbert with just two words an absolute gentleman; a well ordered man he was, Family you all must come to Vienna and secure the precious legacy that your loving brother, wonderful uncle, and dynamic patriarch has left you all to treasure. Moreover, to my knowledge his roommate was only a roommate, nothing more contrary to what you all may have read.*

John

Rehobeth Beach, DE

John - August 16, 2012 at 07:39 PM

“Elbert, may you rest in peace. We will all carry fond memories in our hearts and minds.

I was shocked and saddened when I learned that Elbert (E.B.) had died unexpectedly on Saturday, June 2, 2012. I received a telephone call from DuWayne Hamilton, E.B.'s partner of 33 years, who informed me of E.B.'s passing. Only ten days earlier, I had travelled from British Columbia, Canada to Washington, D.C. to attend a dear friend's wedding. While there, I stayed with Elbert and DuWayne at their lovely townhouse in Vienna, Virginia. Elbert took me to the wedding rehearsal and the next day DuWayne was my escort at the wedding. I was treated very warmly during my visit and my room was perfect.

I learned more about Elbert's childhood, amazing post-secondary education, large family, work experiences, and love of travelling. We spent many hours sharing meals, photos, and exchanging stories. Following the wedding, DuWayne drove me to Washington, D.C. to show me around and then to visit the four Lamare families that live in nearby areas. We had a wonderful, long overdue reunion over the Memorial Day Weekend.

My family and I have known DuWayne for over 40 years. He lived with our family in Topanga, California and went to school with our son Joey when he was 12 years old. After DuWayne met Elbert, he moved from California to the Washington, D.C.-Virginia area where DuWayne worked for a law firm and they continued their relationship. My family immigrated to western Canada in 1975. As a result, our face-to-face visits with DuWayne were few and far between, but our connection remained strong through letters, telephone calls, and eventually e-mail and electronic photographs. We were thrilled to all see DuWayne in June of 2009 at Joey's 50th birthday celebration in Denver, Colorado. As each day passes, DuWayne is trying to deal with the loss of Elbert and the loneliness that comes from missing someone he lived with and loved for so long. My husband Barry (who DuWayne called Dad) passed away nearly 3 years ago so I understand what DuWayne is going through. I am staying in touch and helping DuWayne as much as I can. I send my love and suggest remembering the good times and

positive experiences to move forward. It helps to find happy memories as one continues into a life without our loved ones. All our family and friends (especially Joey, Tina, Steve, Karen, Diana and Dennis) express our deepest sympathy and send caring thoughts. With love and hugs, Mama Sally, Sally Lamare, New Denver, B.C. Canada.

Sally J. Lamare - July 06, 2012 at 10:30 AM

SR

“ 19 files added to the tribute wall



SHIRLEY ROSS - June 12, 2012 at 12:56 PM

MS

“ 2 files added to the album Uncle Elbert



Michael Sinclair - June 09, 2012 at 05:01 PM

MB

“ 20 files added to the album *Elbert and Various Family Members*



Marvelyn Brown - June 09, 2012 at 03:25 PM

DB

“ 1 file added to the album *New Album Name*



Deloris Brown - June 09, 2012 at 01:33 AM

DB

“ 3 files added to the album *Uncle Elbert*



Deloris Brown - June 09, 2012 at 01:08 AM

BH

“ Bobby & Linda Hampton lit a candle in memory of Mr. Elbert Brown



Bobby & Linda Hampton - June 08, 2012 at 11:35 PM

EJ

“ Elbert will be missed! We shared a few dinners here in DC, and I thank him for his favor! RIP Cousin, God Speed! Prayers go out to the Howard and Brown families!

Eddie Tyson Jr - June 08, 2012 at 06:13 PM



Condolences to his faithful and lifelong companion and dear friend Douwayne Hamilton. 32 great years

July 02, 2012 at 10:19 PM

GR

“ GREGORY AND SHIRLEY ROSS lit a candle in memory of Mr. Elbert Brown



GREGORY AND SHIRLEY ROSS - June 08, 2012 at 06:03 PM

SR

PRAYERS TO ALL OF ELBERT BROWN'S FAMILY! WE WILL MISS MUCH.....JACKSON, TN

SHIRL ROSS - June 09, 2012 at 04:42 PM

MS

“ 1 file added to the album *Elbert and Michael Sinclair's Family (Queen's son)*



Michael Sinclair - June 08, 2012 at 04:20 PM

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Elbert at Lani's graduation at Savannah State University

Michael Sinclair - June 08, 2012 at 04:26 PM

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“ 1 file added to the album *Elbert and Michael Sinclair's Family (Queen's son)*



Michael Sinclair - June 08, 2012 at 04:18 PM

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Stephanie and Lani with their favorite GREAT-uncle

Michael Sinclair - June 08, 2012 at 04:29 PM

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“ 5 files added to the album *Elbert and Michael Sinclair's Family*
(Queen's son)



Michael Sinclair - June 08, 2012 at 04:16 PM