



Bishop George William Brown

October 10, 1941 - September 1, 2025

“Follow peace with all men, and holiness without which no man shall see the Lord”

Hebrews 12:14

Bishop George William Brown was born on October 10, 1941, in Farmville, Virginia, to the late Patrick Roosevelt Brown and Marthia Washington Tyler. On September 1, 2025, he answered his heavenly call and entered the gates of glory.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Bishop Woodson Washington Jr., and Ella L. Washington, and his son, Blaine Tyler.

Bishop Brown was educated in the Richmond Public School System and graduated from Armstrong High School. At an early age, he accepted Christ as his Lord and Savior. In 1975, he was ordained as a pastor and later served faithfully as Bishop of The Holy Bible Church of God on Dill Avenue in Richmond, Virginia.

On October 11, 1960, he married the love of his life, Silveriva Johnson, in Farmville, Virginia. Together they built a life filled with faith, family, and love.

Bishop Brown was formerly employed by Southern Railway as a Foreman

Supervisor, where he made history as the first African American to serve in that position.

In his leisure, he enjoyed fishing, trains, and good food. He often referred to himself as a chef, delighting in preparing meals for his family. Above all, he cherished sharing time with loved ones.

He will be remembered as a kind and giving man who was deeply spiritual. He never missed an opportunity to tell others about the Lord and often encouraged everyone to keep their hearts free from anger.

Bishop Brown leaves to cherish his memory his beloved wife, Silveriva Brown; children, Tracie Ella Harrington, Petula Ann Armstead, Georgette Renee Ford, Sean Tyler, Dane Tyler, and Letitia Royster (Linwood); a host of grandchildren and great-grandchildren; along with many other relatives, church family, and dear friends.

His legacy of faith, love, and kindness will live on in the hearts of all who knew him.

Cemetery Details

Oakwood Cemetery

3101 Nine Mile Road
Richmond, VA 23223

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **9**. 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes
2110 E Laburnum Ave
Richmond, VA 23222-2413
(804) 321-4200

Funeral Service

SEP **10**. 10:00 AM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - Laburnum Chapel
2110 E. Laburnum Avenue
Richmond, VA 23222
(804) 321-4200
info@marchfh.com
<https://www.marchfuneralhomevirginia.com/>

Tribute Wall



“ *View and Download the Funeral Program*

March Funeral Homes - September 10, 2025 at 10:11 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Bishop George William Brown.*



September 08, 2025 at 11:13 PM



“ *Still can't believe your not here anymore you are an will always be our favorite uncle. You will always be missed 🥺*

Peachy - September 08, 2025 at 09:21 PM



“ *Condolences to Bishop Brown 's Family . Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time of bereavement. MayGod Bless you. Mrs. John H. Davis and Family*



Seevon Y Hunter - September 06, 2025 at 01:19 PM

DO

“ *miss you baby brother. Love you forever
Sister Doris*



Doris - September 06, 2025 at 08:52 AM



“ *We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.*

March Funeral Homes - September 03, 2025 at 11:38 AM

TV

To Aunt Silveria and family I am so sorry about Uncle George gone away but not forgotten. He was a great uncle doing things loved and cared for his family. The fact he was a great minister and bishop very outstanding for preaching sermons and eulogies at funerals churches anywhere anytime. He loved God taught us the word of God and learned many Bible verses and passages from him. May God bless us all strengths through this time of bereavement. Be strong Aunt Silveria. Your oldest niece Tara

Tara Brown of Varina VA - September 06, 2025 at 08:48 PM

TV

Be strong

Tara Brown of Varina VA - September 06, 2025 at 08:54 PM

CN

No words to express my sorrow you will be missed mama will miss those oysters every birthday you made it for her birthday Aunt Sylvia baked a cake all cookouts for the whole block teaching word of God more importantly working untimely with devoted nephew John Jr. traveling up and down road helping out wherever he could well God did not want you to suffer anymore God has the record on high that's all that matters you take your rest from all your labor on Labor day that's the way you went took your wings flew away. Me and mama knew that was our sign when a butterfly came out of nowhere, I said I hope it's not who I think it is you flew around us in a circle mama asked Is that you George you were gone in a flash black and light blue butterfly I told mom he gone mama and I will never forget that moment that's when we received the call you passed away to God be the glory. Love you for all eternity Niece Clara Devoted Sister Dottie K.

Clarissa Thompson AKA Clara Your Niece - September 08, 2025 at 08:46 PM

CN

To my Aunt Silveria my thoughts and prayers are with you. I wish to remember my Uncle the way I saw him last. My Uncle kept me laughing and to this day I never recall my Uncle calling me by my birth name. He knew better to try to keep up with all the girl names in this family. My Uncle was a smart man..lol It's funny how I thought about this today. But for sure I knew my Uncle loved his family. Heck!!! I ate my first oysters when Uncle George made them for me. And later on, y'all know what happened I would ask for those oysters again and again. Everyone knows Uncle George could cook. And he loved to fish..which brings me to another fond memory. I have been blessed to live here where I can rewind many happy times I shared like The 4th of July Cookouts over at the church. The church outings we took back in the day when we had a Church Bus. I give thanks for having a wonderful Uncle who encouraged us all to, "Get On The Right Road". Because He knew the wrong one wouldn't work. I give thanks because he said point blank "Make It Happen." There is no sugar to coat what God has for each of us to do. Because the truth is seldom sweet but necessary to feed the soul. My Uncle had a favorite song he got requests to sing all the time... ..Birds of Heaven, Birds of Heaven feed me until I want no more .He told me if I cover up my head. He said that my feet would show. And he told me if I cover up my feet ..he said that my head would show.....so there is no where, no where no where you can hide from the Lord. Rest on my dear Uncle your work down here was done. And To my cousins Tracey, Pumpkin and Georgette in prayer you have always been even before this day and in the days to come. God will comfort you and hold you close to his heart.

Corvette Kenney Staton aka Natalie - September 10, 2025 at 10:59 AM