



Peggy B. Brown

June 16, 1940 - January 25, 2011

PEGGY BRANDON BROWN, daughter of the late Dr. Donald G. Brandon and Mrs. Bernice Bias Brandon was born at Duke Hospital in Durham, North Carolina on June 16, 1940. She quietly departed this life on Tuesday, January 25, 2011.

Peggy received her early education in the Baltimore City Public Schools and graduated with honors from Frederick Douglass High School. During her formative years and prior to entering college, she enjoyed spending summers with her family in Rochester, New York, Raleigh, North Carolina and Camp Atwater in Springfield, Massachusetts, as well as engaging in activities as a member of Jack and Jill of America, Incorporated and St. James Episcopal Church.

It was no surprise that Peggy would select the field of education as her future career. Education was emphasized by her maternal and paternal family because they realized that it was a cornerstone to success. Peggy's maternal grandfather, Dr. John H. Bias, was one of the founders and the second President of Elizabeth City State Normal School (now Elizabeth City State University) and her maternal grandmother, Frances Lane Bias, was the librarian. Members on her paternal side of the family also made tremendous strides and significant contributions as a result of higher education. The City of Rochester names a rehabilitation center after her paternal aunt,

Evelyn Brandon.

With this background of education giants in her family, Peggy entered Virginia State Teachers College (now Virginia State University). While attending Virginia State, Peggy often spent the summer months in Rochester, New York assisting her paternal aunts at the YWCA and Montgomery Center for Youth. These experiences help to cultivate her sense of service and the need to demonstrate Christian Love in activities. Peggy received her Bachelor of Science degree in Early Childhood Education in 1962, graduating with honors. She also distinguished herself as a scholar by receiving one of the highest scores on the National Teacher's Examination that year. She received a Masters in Education from The Johns Hopkins University in May 1976. In addition, she received her Certification in Administration and Supervision from Notre Dame College and Loyola College as well as a Certificate in Curriculum Development from Towson State University.

Following her graduation, she returned to Baltimore and began her outstanding teaching career with the Baltimore City School System at Lexington Terrace Elementary School. Peggy work various positions, including citywide Demonstration Teacher, Summer School Principal, Reading Curriculum Specialist, Assistant Principal and Principal. Throughout her remarkable career, Peggy was a nurturer and motivator, always encouraging her staff to teach children as if they were their own. She was also a mentor to her staff, inspiring them to stretch their abilities and to pursue other avenues of opportunity in the educational arena. As a result of her support, many of her staff members at Franklin Square later became school administrators in their own right. Peggy's colleagues affectionately referred to her as Principal of "the birthing school." Under her leadership, Franklin Square made significant academic gains and was often visited by elected officials.

Peggy's experience at Virginia State were not solely academic because it was there that she met her college sweetheart, Willie Allen Brown. They were joined in holy matrimony on August 15, 1964. From this joyous union, they became the proud parents of Terry Allen and Donnice Elizabeth. Their demonstration of love and family was apparent to all who knew them. Peggy's husband preceded her in death after- twenty-three years of marriage.

After serving the Baltimore City Public School System for 40 years, Peggy retired as Principal of Franklin Square Elementary School in June 2004, However, her retirement was short lived because in July 2004, Peggy was invited to join other retired educators to serve the school system as a Restructuring Implementation Specialist. In this newly created position, Peggy mentored principals to ensure that their schools met annual yearly process goals. Peggy was widely revered by her peers, students and staff as an articulate, dedicated and competent educator. She will be remembered for her commitment to the mission of educating youth, her generous responses to the needs of others, her commitment to the development of youth potential, and for being completely devoted to her family. She loved her children immensely. Peggy touched the lives of many through her quite, polite and unassuming demeanor.

Peggy's dedication to youth and public service extended beyond the classroom. She devoted countless hours to programs which emphasized the social, cultural, and academic advancement of youth leaders. Following the rich legacy of her mother, Peggy was initiated into the Alpha Eta Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated in 1962 at Virginia State. She later became an active member of the Baltimore Alumnae Chapter. Peggy's calming spirit was a considerable influence in challenging situations and her gracious words of wisdom were received with gratitude from the collegiate

members of the MuMu Citywide Chapter of delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated at Towson University and alumnae members alike.

Peggy was a charter member of the Patapsco River Chapter of The Links, Incorporated, where she faithfully served as Chair of the Services to Youth Facet and member of the Scholarship Committee. She also held memberships in Jack and Jill of America, Incorporated, the Baltimore Chapter of The Pinochle Bugs Social and Civic Club, Incorporated, National Education Association, Public Schools Administrators and Supervisor Association, Virginia State University Alumni Association, Elizabeth City State University (ECSU) National Alumni Association, John H. Bias Alumni Chapter of ECSU, Baltimore Chapter of the Virginia State University Alumni Association, Johns Hopkins University Alumni Association, Fairmount Neighborhood Association and Bias Shores Homeowners Association. She was instrumental in the development of Bias Shores Beach Resort in Duck, North Carolina.

In her spare time, Peggy enjoyed traveling, shopping with her daughter and special friends, and spending time with her family at their family home in Duck, North Carolina. In addition to her impeccable sense of style, warm heart, encouraging words, Peggy will be remembered for her commitment to service. Some people spend their entire lives serving others, never asking for credit or rewards. Peggy Brandon Brown was one of those people. She truly epitomized the psalmist David when he said:

But they delight in doing everything the Lord wants. Day and night they think about His law. They are like trees planted along the river bank bearing fruit each season without fail. Their leaves never wither, and in all they do, they prosper. Psalm 1:2-3

Peggy is survived by: her son, Terry A. Brown, Sr.; devoted daughter, Donnice E. Brown; granddaughter, Briana N. Brown; grandson, Terry A. Brown, Jr.;

daughter-in-law, Glynn Brown; brother-in-law, Richard Brown; sister-in-law, Jean Brown; aunts, Lillian Bias Abron, Clara Belle, Gussie McNair; god-sons, Steven Fraiser, Nelson Greene, Dr. Jimmie H. Smith, Jr., and Walter Thompson; and a host of cousins, nieces, nephews and friends.

Cemetery Details

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1101 Sulphur Spring Rd.
Baltimore, MD 21227

Previous Events

Public Viewing

FEB 2. 8:30 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - West Baltimore
4300 Wabash Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21215
(410) 542-2400
info@marchfh.com

Wake

FEB 3. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Macedonia Bapt. Church
718 W. Lafayette Ave
Baltimore, MD

Service

FEB 3. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Peggy B. Brown*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Ms. Brown always had a smile on her face and she really enjoyed life. She raised her daughter, Donnice to be a kind and compassionate person, just like her. Her presence will be missed at all the programs and activities I would see her in attendance. I light a candle in her memory.*



Stephanie V. - February 26, 2011 at 11:25 PM



“ *Cheryl Brooks-Brown lit a candle in memory of Peggy B. Brown*



Cheryl Brooks-Brown - February 05, 2011 at 09:17 AM



“ *Sheppard-Robinson Family lit a candle in memory of Peggy B. Brown*



Sheppard-Robinson Family - February 03, 2011 at 12:29 PM



“ Jeannette Taylor sent a virtual gift in memory of Peggy B. Brown



Jeannette Taylor - February 03, 2011 at 08:55 AM



“ Mrs. Brown was a delightful teacher. She cared about her students, co-workers and in her final stages of life, her staff. She had a pleasant demeanor. She will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her. To the family: you are in my prayers and may God give you the peace and strength that you need to move forward.



With love, Jeannette (Lexington Terrace Elementary School)

Jeannette Taylor - February 03, 2011 at 08:50 AM



“ VALERIE WATSON lit a candle in memory of Peggy B. Brown



VALERIE WATSON - February 03, 2011 at 06:46 AM

EM

“ Ernest Miles lit a candle in memory of Peggy B. Brown



Ernest Miles - February 02, 2011 at 04:30 PM

LS

“ Lisa, Dara & David Sennaar lit a candle in memory of Peggy B. Brown



Lisa, Dara & David Sennaar - February 02, 2011 at 12:13 PM

LF

“ Leon Fleming lit a candle in memory of Peggy B. Brown



Leon Fleming - February 02, 2011 at 11:27 AM

CB

“ Cheryl Brandon lit a candle in memory of Peggy B. Brown



Cheryl Brandon - February 02, 2011 at 08:50 AM

MF

“ Mrs. Frazier-Distance sent a virtual gift in memory of Peggy B. Brown



Mrs. Frazier-Distance - February 02, 2011 at 08:08 AM

MF

“ I worked at Franklin Square Elementary School when Mrs. Brown was Principal. I found her to be a very charming and delightful person to work with. I will always remember her smile and thoughtfulness as she was a very caring and compassionate lady. Although I did not stay the entire school year, I warmed up to her personality immediately. It shocked me to hear of her sudden passing. To her daughter and family rest assured, your mom is at peace. God makes no mistakes, He will provide you with a comforter during these trying times. Weeping may endure for a night, but thank God joy comes in the morning. God Bless.

Mrs. Frazier-Distance - February 02, 2011 at 08:07 AM

CJ

“ To Ms. Peggy B. Brown's Family: Jesus will carry you through this time and beyond. Be proud that you all honored,loved, and faithfully took care of your wonderful mother! She was indeed a jewel! It was an honor and priviledge to work with such a talented, intelligent, and innovative educator. Proverbs 31:10 will give you strength to ensure this passage of life. Sincerely Charlotte Jackson

Charlotte Jackson - February 02, 2011 at 06:41 AM

CJ

“ *Charlotte Jackson lit a candle in memory of Peggy B. Brown*



Charlotte Jackson - February 02, 2011 at 06:34 AM

Lenora Fleming

“ *Donnice and Terry, I am going to miss your mom she is our life long friend. My mother is waiting for her, she will be so happy to Mrs Brown. Mrs Brown tell my mom hi and give her a big hug. Love Lenora*



Lenora Fleming - February 01, 2011 at 07:13 PM

Lenora Fleming

“ *Thinking of you as you Honor Your Mother.*

Lenora Fleming



Lenora Fleming - February 01, 2011 at 07:08 PM

DL

“ *1 file added to the album Photos*



Dr. Lois De Laine - February 01, 2011 at 05:43 PM



“ 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 - January 31, 2011 at 02:22 PM