



Teresa Esther Thomas Brown

July 22, 1960 - September 14, 2007

My Life, Teresa Esther Thomas Brown of Manakin Sabot, Virginia was a former native of Downtown Short Pump, Virginia. I was the sixth child of eight siblings. I was born in the blessed union of James H. Thomas, Sr., and the late Albenia G. Houston Thomas, on July 22, 1960. I was preceded in death by my two siblings, James H. Jr. and Welford Thomas. I matriculated in Henrico County Public Schools and participated in the extra-curricular activity of high school basketball and intramural softball. Although my skills were not fully developed, I put forth my best in being a team player. I also had a hidden talent that included sewing "identical" outfits for my younger brothers to wear out on the town. Upon graduating from John Randolph Tucker High School in 1978, I attended J. Sergeant Reynolds Community College. There, I majored in Business Administration. After two years at the College, I sought employment at formerly Signet Bank: Bank of Virginia and presently, Capital One for 29 years, until my demise. I enjoyed my job and my work ethic produced a product of excellence. I was perceived as being a loyal and devoted employee who did not hesitate working on Saturday, Sundays or whenever needed. I accepted Jesus Christ at an early age and joined Springfield Baptist Church. I was a loyal member and felt the love and presence of all. My melodious voice enabled me to sing with the Combined Choir and The Voices of Springfield. I held positions as Chairperson of the Children's Church Ministry and secretary of the Missionary Ministry. I was also a member of the Ushers' Ministry. I was united in marriage to Robert William

Brown, Jr., on May 5, 1987. From this union we were blessed with a beautiful daughter, Roterra Michele Brown. I prayed and asked God to bless me to be a loving wife, a wonderful caring mother, sister, aunt, great-aunt, cousin, God-parent and friend. When Roterra joined First African Baptist Church and became a member of the Praise Dance Ministry, Robert and I supported her as often as we could. He and I even had the opportunity to minister in this ministry. I became an honorary praise dancer and danced with the "Mother's of Praise". Robert rendered a hand on numerous occasions and portrayed biblical characters with a passion. God endowed me with a love for people and a heart of gold to lend a helping hand when and wherever possible. I was told by many people that my smile welcomed all and that my contagious laughter could get you in a "world" of trouble. I had a great love for many things, especially, "shopping", reading, bowling, cooking and taking family trips every year. I recently journeyed on my first cruise, in August, to the beautiful places of Jamaica and the Cayman Islands. I had a chance to go snorkeling and to swim with "domestic" stingrays; however, my greatest love was my family. On September 14, 2007, God wrapped me in His hands, whispered in my ear and led me to the Pearly Gates of Heaven. I am survived by my devoted and loving husband, Robert W. Brown of 20 years and my devoted daughter and best friend, Roterra M. Brown, a loving father, James H. Thomas Sr. I leave to cherish previous memories to my siblings; sister, Beatrice Thomas Ruffin; four brothers, Alvin L. (Mary), Grover O. (Charlene), Delbert L. (Valencia) and Alan S. Thomas; grandmother, Mamie 'Gramps' Billups; brother-in-law, Bobby Brown; four aunts, Margaret Houston, Georgia Houston-Hicks, Gladys Thomas and Bettie Mae Threatts; nieces and nephews, Brenda Ruffin, Deborah Ruffin, Sandra Morgan (Kenney), and Kenneth Ruffin, Jr., (Robin), Carla Purkeypike, Cherie Taylor (Lamont), and Alvina Thomas, Stacey Thomas, Jocelyn and Delbert Thomas, Jr., Shannon, Shawn, and Sadé Brown; a host of great nieces, great nephews, God-children and other relatives and friends including, Denise Royal, Gaile Harris and Valerie Allen. I was dearly loved by my family and will be missed, but I pray that my memories will forever

be in your hearts.

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March 25, 2023 at 10:25 AM



“ *Teresa Esther Thomas Brown*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *My heartfelt sympathy to your family for the loss of Teresa. Rest assured dear ones that Jehovah God is with you during this hour of sorrow. He cares so much for us individually, and he is aware how difficult it is for us to deal with losing a loved one. 1st Perer 5:7. His purpose is to erase this pain from our hearts, and by means of the ressurection reunite us with our loved ones who have passed on. John 5:28,29 promises: "Donot marvel at this, because the hour is coming in which all those in the memorial tombs will hear his voice and come out." Also Isaiah 25:8 promises that Jehovah will swallow up death forever, and will certainly wipe the tears from all faces. Even though it's not easy losing a loved one, it's comforting to know that one day, if we are obedient, we will see our loved ones come back to life. May his wonderful promises help you to cope with your loss.##imported-begin##R Johnson##imported-end##*

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“ Please accept my condolences for your loss. My husband and I receive much comfort and hope from the Bible. One such comforting verse is Acts 24:15- "And I have hope toward God...that there is going to be a resurrection." Jesus performed resurrections right here on earth. And when that time comes the earth will be a beautiful paradise with no more death, sickness, sorrow or pain. (Revelation 21:3-5, Psalm 37:29) May you receive much comfort and strength from these loving promises found in the Bible.##imported-begin##Sharon Hill##imported-end##

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“ My deepest sympathy during your time of sorrow but know that the God of comfort is with you all during this time of tribulation. (2Corinthian 1:3-4) Due to the many unforeseen occurrences that brings tragedy to our lives Jehovah God promises one day soon Death will be no more (Rev 21:3-4) and his son have been given the authority to bring all those in the memorial tombs back to life. John 5:28-29 Just think there will come a time not only will death be no more but Jehovah promises that no one will have to say I'm sick according to Isaiah 33:24. I feel the need to express these words of hope because so many of us today treasure the gift of life and we do all we can to maintain it to hold on to it. That is why it hurts so badly when our loved ones die. With so many of us desiring life today no matter how good or bad it is we still want life here on earth. No one looks forward to that time of death. That is why I am under obligation by the spirit and love of God to share that hope that is in our near future that the righteous shall inherit the earth and reside upon it forever according to Psalms 37: 29 along with the above stated promises on a paradise and peaceful earth. We all can hold true to this everlasting promise because Isaiah 55:11 states all the words Jehovah have spoken WILL NOT RETURN WITHOUT RESULTS. What a wonderful prospect for our future especially enlight of the fact that Hebrews 6:18 States of God, it is IMPOSSIBLE for him to lie.##imported-begin##Carter##imported-end##

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